Putting the COMMUNITY Back into the Community College:

Expanding our Reach through Collaboration
Presenters

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- Gregg Festa, HSIAC After-School Coordinator
Paterson

Known as the “Silk City”

population of 148,708

third largest city in NJ

the second most densely populated city in the USA
A Melting Pot

Racial Demographics

- Hispanic: 53%
- African American: 31%
- White: 12%
- Other races: 4%
Paterson: A distressed urban community

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<td>Unemployment Rate</td>
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Paterson’s Failing School System

controlled by the State of New Jersey since 1991

three different superintendents and four business administrators in three years.

Only 38% of 11th graders were able to pass the High School Proficiency Test (HSPT).

60% HS graduation rate (compared to 90% statewide)

34% of elementary students and 59% of HS students only “partially” proficient in math
What is the Community Technology Center?

- Three-story, 16,000 square foot renovated facility adjacent to main campus
- Exclusively for community use
- Multi-use training facility equipped with wireless laptops, serving community based organizations and their constituents
The CTC Classrooms
Why a CTC?

- Underserved segments
- The Digital Divide
- $25,000 planning grant

→ Shared multi-use facility
Timeline

- Planning grant
- CTC vision
- 1st HSIAC grant

1998-1999

- Began programmatic activities ("Virtual CTC")
- Secured capital funding

2000

- Established CTC facility

2003

- 2nd HSIAC grant
- CTC anchors the College’s Community Outreach Effort

2006
Financing the Building

- Arrangement with the City of Paterson
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- U.S. Department of Commerce/EDA
- Chapter 12 funding
Financing Programmatic Initiatives

- Occurred simultaneously with capital project
- New Jersey Commission on Higher Education
- U.S. Department of Education
- AmeriCorps funding
- CTC concept remains highly fundable
The CTC

Before

After
How has the community benefited from it?
Since our opening in the Fall 2003, more than 40 different organizations have used the CTC regularly. 4 of them have made the CTC their “home” away from home.
Technology Training for Teachers

For the past 5 years, (even before we moved in to our location) more than 150 teachers logged in more than 5,000 hours of technology training.
Since our opening in the Fall of 2003, more than 600 residents logged in more than 15,000 hours of computer basics and financial literacy training.
Free Computer Literacy Courses for Senior Citizens

Since we started this new program, 60 seniors have logged in 800 hours of technology training.
More than 30 participants representing local fire, police, EMS, and the Paterson Dept. of Health attended GIS training. In the Spring 2006, PCCC began to offer GIS for credit and we are looking into a PCCC / NJCU GIS Certificate.
CTC was selected NJ After 3 Training Site for Northern New Jersey

- NJ after 3 is an extensive network of nonprofit run, school-based afterschool programs that currently serves approximately 14,000 children.

- NJ After 3 partners excel in delivering a specific “brand” of afterschool program that is based on a research-proven model.
The purpose of this grant:

“To provide low-income Hispanic residents and businesses in Paterson, New Jersey with the technology skills needed to succeed in today’s information-based economy.”

3 Major Components:

- 1) Business/Technology Training for Hispanic Businesses and Entrepreneurs
- 2) ESL and Technology Skills Training Program
- 3) After School Multimedia Training Program for Hispanic Children
Business/Technology Training for Hispanic Businesses and Entrepreneurs

- Over 70 business / technology workshops have been delivered
- 262 business owners / entrepreneurs attended these workshops
- Of these, 68 attended more than one workshop and 24 individuals attended 3 or more workshops
- Created a Resource Page and an Online Page
Small Business Resource Page

English

- Business Plan
- Creating a Winning Business Plan
- Business Start Up
- The Art and Science of Managing People
- Effective Marketing Solutions for your Small Business
- Retirement Plan for Small Business
- Basic Accounting General Ledger Form 1
- Basic Accounting General Ledger Form 2
- Financial Planning Handout 1
- Financial Planning Handout 2
- Financial Planning Handout 3

Español

- Como Emprender un Pequeño Negocio
- Fundamentos Basicos de Contabilidad
- Reparacion de Credito Parte Uno
- Reparacion de Credito Parte Dos
- Excel Basico 2003
- Introduccion a Microsoft Word 2003
- Introduccion a Access 2003
- PowerPoint 2003
- Publisher Basico 2003
- Como Poner un Negocio en la Red
- Diagnostico Basico de Negocios
Small Business Online Page

Community Technology Center

Online Business Solutions

Starting and managing a small business takes motivation, desire, talent and capital. To help with this the Community Technology Center has an innovative program to assist local businesses in improving their operations and helping entrepreneurs in establishing successful business start-ups. We currently offer free seminars offered in both English and Spanish on campus and have developed this website to help those interested in starting a business and to successfully manage it.

To see the current seminars offered, click here and go to our main website, then click on “current seminars” to find and register for the seminars that will help you succeed in your business endeavor.

Funds granted by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
Next Steps

- 30 hours on-site technical assistance
- Creation of HSIAC’s Paterson Virtual Mall
ESL and Technology Skills Training Program

- Finalized Train-the-Trainer curriculum and created a Quia Page for ESL participants
- Clients from community based ESL providers logged in 4,310 hours at the CTC
Challenges and Solutions

- Started a “best practices” non-credit ESL for citizenship workshop.
- Produced a “train-the-trainer” DVD
- Created online resources
Welcome to the HSIAC ESL Page!

This is a site where you can view notices of meetings and workshops. We will also post other information and useful links for your classroom work. You can access this from anywhere in the world without a password.

Please note: The email link above does not work. Please email me directly at LMoody@pccc.edu

Legend of King Arthur

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My Quia activities and quizzes

- **Ques:** The Legend of King Arthur
  - [Link](http://www.quia.com/cz/3027.html)
  - Example of a cloze exercise

- **JAVA GAMES:** The Pearl Matching Vocabulary and Pictures
  - [Link](http://www.quia.com/jg/1050154.html)
  - Example of pictures used in a vocabulary exercise: matching

- **JAVA GAMES:** Time and Verb Choice: Flash Cards for Partners
  - [Link](http://www.quia.com/jg/263358.html)
  - Example of Grammar exercise: Flash cards

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Useful links

- An efficient search engine. Click on "Images" tab for pictures.
- The world’s largest encyclopedia for free...but anyone can change the content.
- PCCC Library homepage to access special resources: Worldbook
- Type in text and hear some fairly good synthesized speech.
Citizenship is one of the most coveted gifts that the U.S. government can bestow, and the most important immigration benefit that the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services can grant.

How can I become a U.S. citizen?
You may become a U.S. citizen (1) by birth or (2) through naturalization.

How do I become a naturalized citizen?
If you are not a U.S. citizen by birth or did not acquire/desire U.S. citizenship automatically after birth, you may still be eligible to become a citizen through the naturalization process. Eligible persons use the “Application for Naturalization” (Form N-400) to apply for naturalization. Persons who acquired citizenship from parent(s) while under 18 years of age use the “Application for Certificate of Citizenship” (Form N-600) to document their citizenship. Qualified children who reside abroad use the “Application for Citizenship and Issuance of Certificate under Section 322” (Form N-600k) to document their naturalization. You may call the USCIS Forms Line at 1-800-870-3676 to request a Form N-400, N-600, or N-600K; or you may download all of those forms at www.uscis.gov.
Professor Gaby Rinkerman's ESL Page
A place for those interested in the teaching or learning of English as a Second Language.

Citizenship Links

The following links are for those who are planning to become US Citizens. They'll help you learn about requirements, the process, the current test, the new redesigned test, and to practice for the test.

Frequently Asked Questions:

I’m a permanent resident, how do I apply for U.S. Citizenship? Click here for a PDF brochure.

What are the requirements to apply for naturalization? Click here to find out.

Where can I get the N400 Form to apply for naturalization? Click here to download the N400 form in PDF form.

Do you have everything you need to fill out the N400? Click here for a document checklist.

Where can I get more information about the naturalization process? The Guide to Naturalization from U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) provides information on the benefits and responsibilities of citizenship, an overview of the naturalization process, and eligibility requirements.

Becoming a U.S. Citizen: An Overview of the Naturalization Process. Click here to view the video.

A Promise of Freedom: An Introduction to U.S. History and Civics for Immigrants Click here for a 12-minute video presentation on American civics and history.

A Promise of Freedom Discussion Booklet (484KB PDF) This booklet will help viewers review the basic concepts found in "A Promise of Freedom". Viewers can use this booklet as they watch the film or at its conclusion, either on their own or in a group discussion.
After School Multimedia Training Program for Hispanic Children

- Established a state-of-the-art digital storytelling laboratory

- 124 children have participated in the multimedia technology skills training

- 111 student projects were highlighted at Digital Storytelling Festivals
After School Multimedia Training Program for Hispanic Children

For the past five years we have partnered with faith based after-school providers and Paterson schools to deliver high tech training in multimedia and video editing to more than 300 youth.
CTC’s After School Programs in the News
How Has the College Benefited from it?

- Generate tremendous good will in the community
- Fulfill the community outreach aspect of the college mission statement (Middle states citations)
- Increase College-wide experience in community development
- Serve as a test-bed for college programs
Ease of Replication

- CTC is a concept not a building
- The building has potential to be revenue-generating
- Partners bring their own resources to the table – leveraging resources
Lessons Learned

- Integrate with Academic Programs – cross collaboration (Director is a faculty member)
- Create opportunities for faculty and students to be involved
- Be flexible - The concept is constantly evolving; stay current with needs of the community
Visit us on the Web
www.pccc.edu/pctc

Welcome

Located at 218 Memorial Drive, Paterson, New Jersey, the Paterson Community Technology Center is a newly renovated, three-story, 15,000 square foot facility adjacent to PCCC's main campus. Through this state-of-the-art facility, PCCC is able to provide access to technology and technology training to local community organizations and local residents.

Background:

Since 1999, through its Paterson Community Technology Center initiative, Passaic County Community College has been involved in a wide range of activities designed to bridge the digital divide in our surrounding urban community. These activities include providing professional and staff development for local educators and non-profit organizations in how to integrate technology into their educational (after school, regular school, ESL, job training) programs, facilitating technology training for businesses in Passaic County, providing access to technology and technology training to local residents, serving as the hub of a proposed cyber district in Paterson, and implementing an AmeriCorps bridging the digital divide program as part of a national model with eight other college across the country.
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