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Leveraging partnerships to increase social media engagement



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Three ways

The evolution of ESD's collaborative efforts

- WorkSource & Workforce Development Councils
- 2. YesVets: Cross Agency
- 3. WorkSourceWA.com & Monster

Getting started

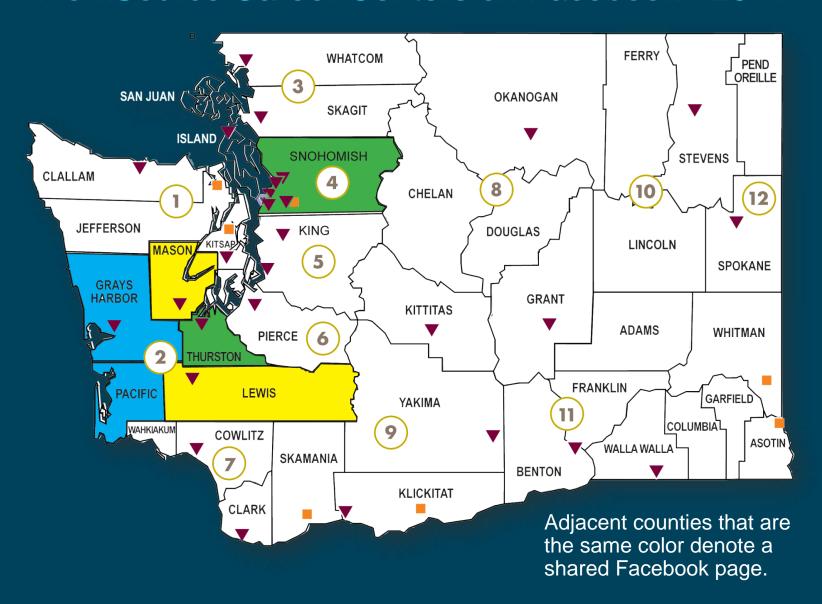


What social media should (and shouldn't) be





WorkSource Career Centers on Facebook - 2014



Our strategy

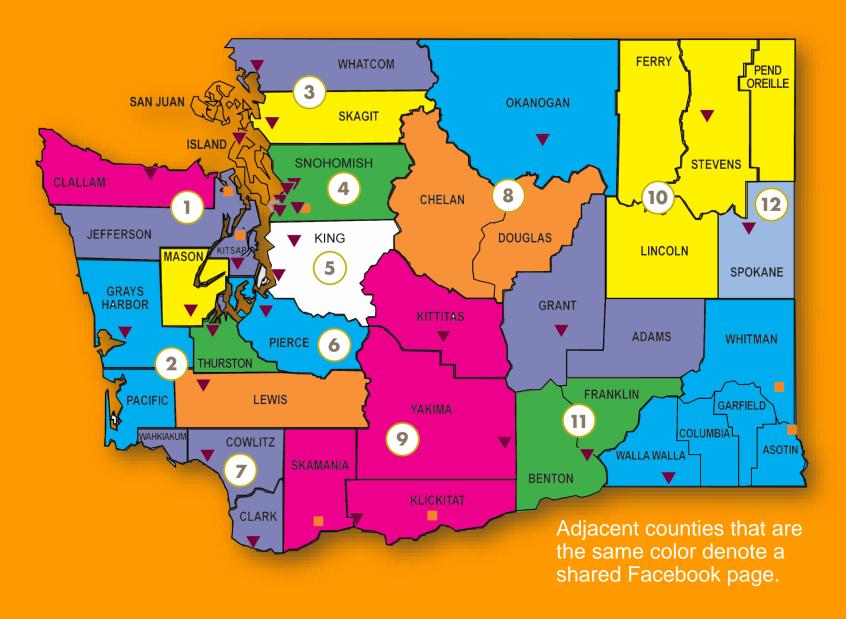
Social media collaboration requires

- Mutual respect
- Accountability
- Innovation
- Team support





WorkSource Career Centers on Facebook - 2016



Success measures...

2014

- ✓ Facebook in five areas + ESD
- ✓ 3,384 Likes
- ✓ Long response time
- ✓ Low engagement

Now

- ✓ FB across state (including first Spanish language page)
 - King County
- ✓ 10,500 likes
- ✓ Posts
 - √ reached 48,448 last week
 - ✓ engaged 2,830 last week

Challenges

Solutions

- Coordination
- Work Accounts vs. Personal
- Staying fresh
- Power struggles

- Regular teleconference calls
- Demonstrate why
- Share ideas
- On-going outreach

Engaging with other state agencies

YesVets hiring initiative





Partnership

- Brainstormed name
- Designed logo
- Developed communications plan
- Built web site
- Launched promotional campaign



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Collaboration

- Created YesVets Facebook page
- Launched YesVets
 Twitter channel
- Developed SharePoint site to coordinate
- Urged businesses to like & share

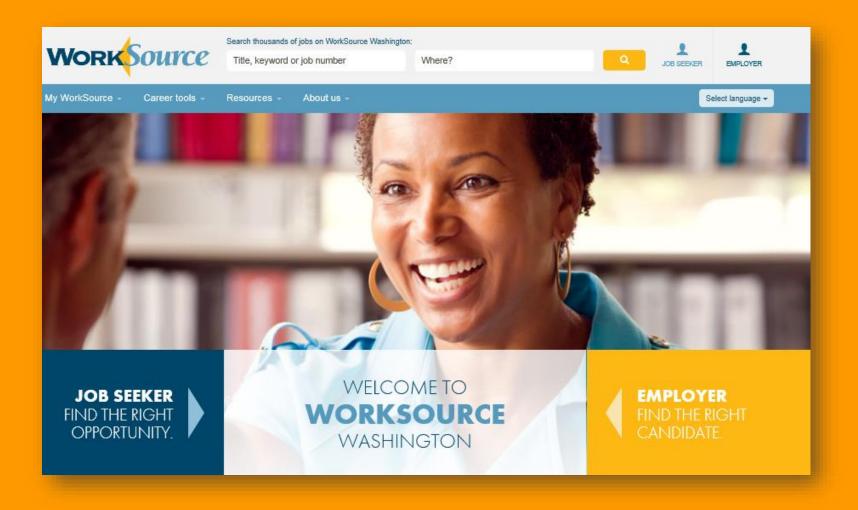


Success!

- Pilot went statewide in less than 4 months
- 305 employers involved to date
- 372 veterans hired through this program

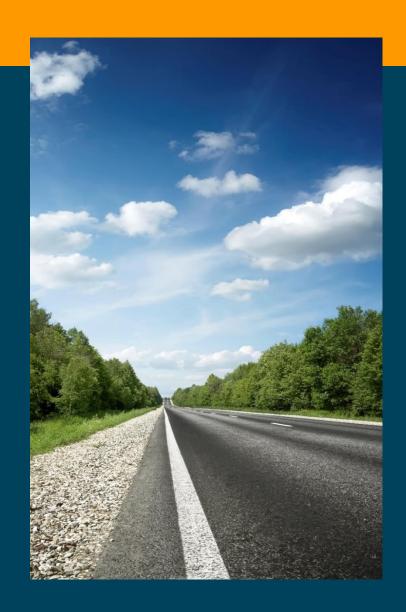


Partnering with the private sector



The plan

- Easy-to-use Facebook and Twitter posts
- Sharing, tagging and liking across system
- Work through alternate platforms, such as LinkedIn
- Supplement with social and search ads



The execution

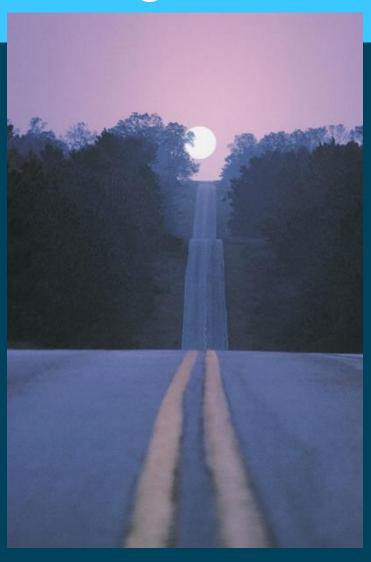
- Some posted too early
- Others not at all
- Struggles with brand/roles
- Negative posts
- Mostly successful



Success metrics for August

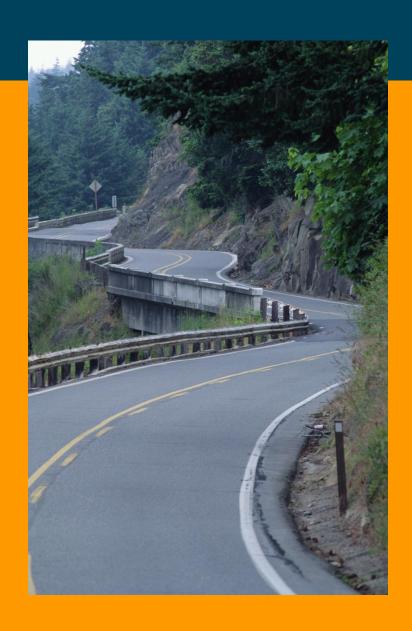
Paid Content

- 9,010 clicks to WorkSourceWA .com
- 6,000 unique actions:
 Clicking on, liking, or sharing the ads
- More than 80,000 reached
- 360K+ total impressions people have encountered the ads an average of 4x.



Overall success

- Every Workforce Development Council –except one– used the scheduled posts
- ESD posted 108
 Facebook/Twitter posts
 between July 5-Sept. 19
- Organic reach: Average 424/day
- Total (including paid: Average 6,000 per day
- Video > than photos or posts



Top Tips

- Be patient
- Have a plan
- Be open to innovation
- Track metrics
- Be gently persistent
- Have fun!

