

Libraries Enhance Literacy

Developing and Using Resources
to Support All Kinds of Readers



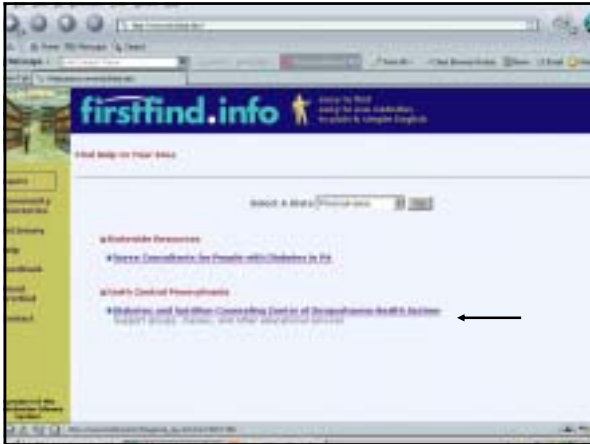


How can we use this resource?

- Visits to Head Start programs where we distribute the booklet to parents, give an overview of contents, and encourage questions and discussion about supporting children in school.
- Distribute multiple copies to school district personnel, community agencies, etc. to give to their clients.









How can we use this resource?

- Develop content for information gap. Contract with an HR consultant to write an in-depth manual on strategies to find a job, to be posted on firstfind.info.
- Reentry Training: How to Jump Start Your Job Search, a drop-in program at the Yonkers Library for ex-offenders.

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- Schedule regular visits by a family literacy program to our computer lab where parents learn to use **Recursos en Español** to find useful information on health issues that affect their families.



Outcomes

- Improved health behaviors (e.g., change of diet, visits to clinics, etc.)
- Increase of comfort and skills with computers
- Increased communication with one another
- New project: experienced parents are developing bookmarks on specific topics which will be distributed in libraries

Why We Read

A report on reading habits and
preferences of Westchester teens



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