STRATEGIES TO USE WHEN REACHING OUT TO VULNERABLE WORKERS

















Develop culturally sensitive messages and customized outreach to reach diverse target groups.



Engage jobseekers and job center employment specialists in the development of tools, resources, and outreach strategies.



Create messages that speak to jobseeker needs, values, and aspirations.



Feature workers who are representative of those you serve so that workers can see themselves, feel validated, and inspired by career paths.



Focus on worker assets and strive to counter messages focused on deficiencies and limitations.



Provide information that is narrowly focused, relevant, timely, and easily acted upon.



Focus technology-based outreach on mobile devices and communicate concise information with simple, directed tasks.



Develop a sequence of job-seeking and skill-development tasks that build from simple to more complex, to keep jobseekers engaged.



Partner with community-based agencies and community organizers who can help connect you to hard-to-reach populations.



Target employers as well as workers and jobseekers outreach campaigns.

For a longer discussion of these strategies and research on communicating with vulnerable workers, check out the full D4AD report: Communicating with Vulnerable Workers about Resources, Training and Improving Job Prospects: What Research Tells Us.