Examples of What Works

We have two criteria for whether an initiative for the inner city or the truly disadvantaged works:

- Is the initiative successful based on scientific evaluation?
- Does the initiative function to reduce inequality? (See: How Do We Decide What Works and Doesn’t?)

Based on these criteria, many of the initiatives that work fall under these headings: preschool; public school reform; youth development; job training and alternatives to "work first;" community development corporations and banking; and problem-oriented community-based policing. Taken together, these initiatives create a policy of comprehensive interdependence.

Our examples of what works are not exhaustive. Over time, we hope to build a much more complete directory. See other examples in Publications.

Examples:

1. Preschool
2. Public School Reform
3. Youth Investment and Development
4. Job Training, Placement and Retention
5. Community Development Corporation and Training
6. Problem-Oriented and Community Equity Policing
7. Comprehensive Interdependence
8. Contacts