MENU OF PROGRAMS for COMMUNITY-BASED ADVISING

1. **College access advising and financial aid counseling group sessions**: 2-hour session
   - Programs for parents
   - Programs for students
   - Programs for adult students
   - Professional development for teachers, professional school counselors and school administrators
   - Professional development for youth services workers

   **Below are the topics for presentations:**
   - Finding the “best fit” career
   - Finding the “best fit” college
   - Individual Academic Career Portfolios (demonstration of online planning tools for grades 6-10)
   - Building a college-going culture (for parents and professionals)
   - ACT/SAT test overview
   - The college application, including the essay
   - Financial aid process overview
   - Decoding the financial aid award letter and student loans

2. **College Visits**:
   - One day - one college for up to 45 students, **includes all of the following**:
     - Pre-visit and post-visit student workshops
     - Transportation to and from the college or university
     - Chaperones
     - Lunch
   - **Overnight - 2-3 colleges for up to 40 students, includes all of the following**:
     - Pre-visit and post-visit student workshops
     - Transportation to and from the colleges and universities
     - College Now chaperones
     - 4 Meals
     - Hotel rooms (breakfasts included)
     - An evening activity (bowling, skating, etc.)

3. **ACT Boot Camp**: eight, 2-hour sessions for 20 students

4. **Technical program assistance**

5. **Program evaluation**