

**A Resource List  
for  
“Activists, Academics, and Administrators:  
Why and How They Have Attempted to  
Reform U.S. Adult Education”**

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**Shown below are references related to topics discussed in the above webinar.**

Arguments for Systems Reform: “Ten Actions to Build an Adult Basic Skills Development System That Is More Inclusive, Relevant, Efficient, and Sustained”

<https://www.proliteracy.org/Resources-Publications/Journal-Research/ALE-Journal/Issues/vol-2-issue-2>

Equipped for the Future: A Systems-Reform Initiative of the National Institute for Literacy:

<https://eric.ed.gov/?id=ED437557>

Research Brief on Contextualized Learning:

[https://www.proliteracy.org/Portals/0/pdf/Research/Briefs/ProLiteracy-Research-Brief-04\\_Contextualizing-2020-09.pdf](https://www.proliteracy.org/Portals/0/pdf/Research/Briefs/ProLiteracy-Research-Brief-04_Contextualizing-2020-09.pdf)

Adult Education for Democracy and Social Justice:

<https://www.proliteracy.org/Portals/0/pdf/Research/White%20Papers/ProLiteracy-WhitePaper-ADifferentWay-AdultEducationandSocialJustice.pdf?ver=2021-04-19-104122-943&timestamp=1618843488481>

Examples of Plans for Local-Level Adult Education Systems

- In Houston, TX: <https://www.houstontx.gov/adultliteracyblueprint/index.html>
- In Union County, NJ: <https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/4b259097-f77f-4c70-813c-4cff11dc6161/downloads/WIB%20White%20Paper%203-08.pdf?ver=1641491915518>

Work-Related Basic Skills

- An Archive of Work-Related Basic Skills Resources:  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/er96od4ax26oxo2/Work-Related%20Basic%20Skills%20Archive%20ODC%203-12-21.pdf?dl=0>
- Learning from Work-Related Efforts of the 1980s and 1990s:  
<https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/4b259097-f77f-4c70-813c->

[4cff11dc6161/downloads/Jurmo%20COABE%20Spring%202020.pdf?ver=1641491914878](https://www.dropbox.com/s/4cff11dc6161/downloads/Jurmo%20COABE%20Spring%202020.pdf?ver=1641491914878)

- What Labor Educators Can Do:  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/gdsr09vnl5tqzvk/ODC%20Union%20Can%20Do%2012-10-18.pdf?dl=0>
- What Forward-Thinking Employers Can Do:  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/bfong29i4kicotz/ODC%20Employer%20Can%20Do%2012-10-18.pdf?dl=0>

What Prisoner Re-Entry Services Can Do:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/8o18lb4q8ae7s73/ODC%20Re-Entry%20Services%20Can-Do%2012-10-18.pdf?dl=0>

What Health Partners Can Do:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/kjzrvif4rc38v47/ODC%20Health%20Partners%20Can-Do%20Guide%209-30-19.pdf?dl=0>

What Eco-Partners Can Do: <https://www.dropbox.com/s/3mwjwse7ar9v45s/ODC%20Eco-Partners%20Can-Do%20Guide%209-30-19.pdf?dl=0>

What Universities Can Do:

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/23fjv6nmqboey4/ODC%20Universities%20Can-Do%20Guide%201-10-19.pdf?dl=0>

Learning from Community-Oriented Education in Developing Countries:

<https://www.proliteracy.org/Portals/0/pdf/Research/White%20Papers/2021-BSFCOD-PJurmo-Resource.pdf?ver=2021-08-04-122813-600>