



## THE BOOKER T. WASHINGTON DREAM CENTER™

There are hundreds of organizations, schools, and even a few neighborhoods around the country that are named after Booker T. Washington, but less than a handful in California. BTWEN plans to open the first Booker T. Washington Dream Center, where they will house workshops, case management, outreach, coaching and mentoring services, as well as a “Drop-In” clinic for youth at risk of dropping out, or who need help with passing high school exit exams, or writing college essays. Despite a struggling economy, BTWEN will seek funds to open the Dream Center in 2009, hopefully in Oakland; not only because there is a vast amount of need there, but because the founder and executive director of BTWEN was considered an “at-risk” youth who grew up Oakland, and attended and graduated from Oakland Public Schools.