

The Latest in OST with BOOST



Afterschool Professionals Appreciation Week

April 25-29th is Afterschool Professionals Appreciation Week! The BOOST Network offers our most sincere thanks to all out-of-school time and afterschool professionals for the amazing programs and services you provide to youth in the Borderland. If you are looking for ways to celebrate and recognize your organization's OST staff, access the toolkit curated by the National Afterschool Association by clicking the button below.

[Access the Toolkit Here](#)

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Spring into Summer



Spring into Summer Campaign

We're excited for the launch of the upcoming Spring into Summer campaign where we will

be showcasing the summer programs that will be offered by BOOST Network members. The campaign will be held the weeks of May 8th and 15th and will promote the value of summer programs for youth, as well as highlight BOOST OST Provider members. Thank you to all members who submitted surveys detailing your summer programming.

A Spring into Summer promotional packet will be sent closer to the start of the campaign, and we ask our members to please use the content provided to promote the campaign, and participation in summer programs, on your social media pages. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about how you can get involved, please contact [Enrique Garcia](mailto:egarcia@unitedwayelpaso.org) at egarcia@unitedwayelpaso.org.

Member Highlights & Activities

Día de los Niños, Día de los Libros



Join [El Paso Public Libraries](#) and El Paso Parks & Recreation for the 26th Annual Día de Los Niños, Día de los Libros on April 30th from 10 AM to 4 PM at the Memorial Park Reserve . In partnership with local organizations, the annual celebration is an exciting family event to honor children and the many cultures and languages of US families while promoting literacy and positive youth development. Attendees can enjoy free books and activities that promote literacy, cultural enrichment, and health and wellness. For more information, [click here](#).

Calling Young Entrepreneurs of the Borderland



Young aspiring entrepreneurs are invited to join [Kids Can of Doña Ana County](#) during their spring youth and business fair “Fiesta de la Primavera” on Saturday, May 14th from 9 am to 1 pm at Plaza de Las Cruces, located at 100 N. Main St. in Las Cruces . Participants have the chance to promote their business and win cool prizes! A pre-market business workshop will also be held on April 23rd at the [Community Action Agency of Southern New Mexico](#) where prospective vendors can learn contest tips. All youth vendors ages 6-17 are welcome to participate. Registration is \$10 per participant (scholarships available) and must be submitted by April 20th. [Click here](#) to learn more and to register.

The Living Conditions of Juarez Youth

Webinar
¿Cómo viven los jóvenes en ciudad Juárez?

Presentación del boletín:
 Condiciones de vida de la población juvenil en Juárez

Participan:

- Amparo Beltrán**
Regidora de la Juventud del Ayuntamiento de Cd. Juárez
- Javier Limas**
Comisario de la Unidad de Planeación Poblacional (UPP)
- Judith Carrillo**
Investigadora Red TP
- Teresa Almada**
Directora de CIESA del Red TP

Moderador:
José Luis Flores

Marzo 31
 4:00 p.m.

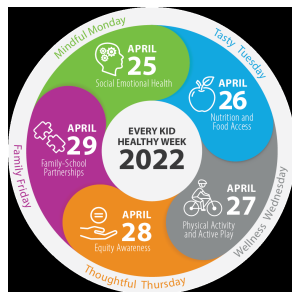
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[¡Tira Paro!](#), a Juárez-based network that promotes the comprehensive development of youth, recently published [Living Conditions of the Youth Population in Juarez - 2020](#) a report that provides vital insight into the wellbeing of Borderland youth. To complement the report, ¡Tira Paro! also presented *¿Cómo Viven Los Jóvenes en Ciudad Juárez?*, a webinar that goes over the findings of their study. [Click here](#) to watch the recorded webinar.

Every Kid Healthy Week



April 25th - 29th is Every Kid Healthy Week. To help celebrate, [Action for Healthy Kids](#) has published a dedicated webpage that is full of great ideas and resources your programs can use to incorporate fun activities that promote healthy habits during this week. [Click here](#) to access their resources.

Young Ambassadors Program



The Smithsonian Latino Center is currently accepting applications to their Young Ambassadors Program (YAP). YAP is an all-expense paid opportunity for Latino high school seniors who are passionate about the arts, sciences, and the humanities. From June 19th to August 5th, accepted students will get to explore different careers, network, build leadership and practical skills while embracing their cultural heritage. This opportunity includes a paid internship and training. Potential ambassadors can learn more through the video on the left and by [clicking here](#). The deadline to apply is April 22nd.

Professional Development & Funding Opportunities

Collaborative Workforce Innovations Webinar

Staffing shortages have impacted many facets of education, including OST and afterschool programming. To discuss these issues and provide successful practices,



available resources, and innovative models for staff recruitment, [TXPOST](#) will be presenting the *Collaborative Workforce Innovations to Support Texas Youth* webinar on Tuesday, April 19th at 9 am MST. Presenters will examine the staffing shortages experienced in the Texas educational ecosystem and discuss various tools to help with both the recruitment and retention of staff and opportunities for capacity building. Speakers include staff from [Camp Fire First Texas](#) and [Dallas Afterschool](#). [Click here](#) for more information and to register for the webinar.

Grant Opportunity for New Mexico and Texas Non-profits

CARL C. ANDERSON SR.
& MARIE JO ANDERSON
Charitable Foundation



[The Carl C. Anderson Sr. & Marie Jo Anderson Charitable Foundation](#) awards grants between \$5,000 and \$20,000 to 501(c)3 organizations in New Mexico, Texas, and Oklahoma. These grants support organizations that provide services to low-income and vulnerable populations, with priority being given to agencies serving rural areas. Grant applications are reviewed on a monthly basis. To learn more about their grants and how to apply, [click here](#).

Summer Learning Toolkit



If you are still working on your summer programming for 2022, the [Wallace Foundation](#) has a wealth of knowledge to help the planning process. They have published an online toolkit that is comprised of evidence-based resources for curating a summer learning program that involve five planning areas: planning & management, academics & enrichment staffing & professional development, site climate, and student recruitment & attendance. [Click here](#) to access this valuable resource.

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