

Monthly Newsletter

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The Latest in OST with BOOST



The last BOOST quarterly meeting of 2023 is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5, and you can sign up now.

At this meeting, we want to invite our members to come prepared to network with other BOOST Network members and to bring your promotional materials to share. We will have the opportunity for members to present on their upcoming projects and about their organizations for those new to the network. The meeting, as always, will have a capacity building-opportunity to support OST professionals.

We will share with you all about the Lights On Afterschool and Kids Nights Out series events, hoping to have a more significant event series next year with you all.

Sign up now, to celebrate our 2023 and as we embrace and prepare for 2024.

Register here

BOOST Network Lights On Afterschool & Kids Night Out

events series



We want to thank everyone for making BOOST Network's Lights on Afterschool & Kids Night Out event series a huge success, all of our members, staff, project participants, media, city and county officials, stakeholders, Paso del Norte Health Foundation for their leadership, and the United Way of El Paso County for their support and guidance.

We also want to thank The University of Texas at El Paso-Athletics Department for allowing us to be part of the Battle of I-10 at the UTEP vs NMSU game, and FC Juarez for hosting our first Kids Night Out game in Cd. Juarez. Special thanks to our tailgate sponsors, Mendez Isaac Joudi Attorneys at Law, for feeding us before the game.

We want to thank DIF Municipal Cd. Juarez_and the Municipal Government of Cd. Juarez_for helping us coordinate and elevate our Lights On Afterschool event at La Plaza de La Mexicanidad welcoming The Walk with Amal for the first time in Juarez. Similarly, we want to thank Creative Kids and El Paso County Parks and Rec for allowing the Lights on Afterschool celebration to be merged with the Little Amal visit. Also, we want to thank our host in Las Cruces The Boys and Girls Club of Las Cruces, for coordinating alongside our celebration in New Mexico.

Thank you all again for allowing us to work with you and produce these events with and for you!!

Check out the photos and videos from the events here.



We will see you next year!



Member Highlights & Activities

The Price is Right - Kids Can Youth Market & Business Contest.



Kids Can of Doña Ana County invites local youth ages 6 to 17 to create a business plan, develop a product or service, and open their business at the youth market and business competition on December 9, 2023, from 9:00 am -1:00 pm.

Click here to fill out a form if you are interested in volunteering or participating in the event as a local non-profit, government agency, or other community-based organization.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of El Paso - Dance for Kids' Sake



El Pasoans step up as dancers and judges to raise awareness and funds for Big Brothers Big Sisters of El Paso (BBBSEP) mentoring.

The event is scheduled for November 11, 2023, from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm at the Plaza Theater at 125 W Mills Ave, El Paso, TX.

Join BBBSEP for live music, dance performances, and a silent auction.

You can use this link to purchase tickets.

YMCA of El Paso - 47th Annual Turkey Trot



The YMCA of El Paso invites the entire community to its 47th annual Turkey Trot on November 23, 2023.

The 5k Turkey Trot and 1-mile Fun Walk will take place at the corner of Corner of Ochoa and Montana.

For additional information about the race and to sign in, click here.

3rd Annual Virtual, Thanksgiving Food Drive - Paso del Norte Center of Hope



Paso del Norte Center of Hope invites the community to participate in the 3rd Annual Harvesting Hope Virtual Thanksgiving Food Drive, a heartfelt initiative to bring comfort and sustenance to survivors on their recovery journey.

Your contribution, however large or small, will make a significant impact. To help families this holiday season, we invite you to help them reach their goal by November 30, 2023.

For more information and ways to donate, click here.

Professional Development & Funding Opportunities

Flight Crew Million Girls Moonshot - TXPOST



TXPOST invites the community to apply to the Million Girls Moonshot 2024 Flight Crew.

Join TXPOST in promoting the value of STEM learning outside of school hours and STEM equity for youth nationwide by sharing this opportunity to become a youth advocate.

Applications are due by December 1, 2023. <u>Click here</u> for more information and to apply.

Action For Healthy Kids - Healthy Schools Summit



WHEN November 17 9am – 4pm

WHERE EPISD Professional Development Center

FEATURING - Mental Health Panel - Physical Education and SHACs Panel - Safe Routes to Schools and Active Transpor Panel - Demos - Presenters - Community Showcase



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JOIN OUB COMMUNITY SHOWCASE Wire a 3-minute program and table to provide the community and school districts with more information on your organization!

thykids to reserve a table!

SPACE IS LIMITED! Action For Healthy Kids invites the community to attend the Healthy Schools Summit on November 17 from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm at the EPISD Professional Development Center.

There will be a variety of panels such as the Mental Health Panel, Physical Education and SHACs Panel, Safe Routes to Schools and Active Transportation Panel will also have demonstrations, presenters and a community showcase.

If you like to join the community showcase **click here**.

Space is limited.

The National Afterschool Association - Microcredentialing workshops



REGISTER TODAY



The National Afterschool Association

has partnered with ACRES to host digital microcredentialing workshops for OST professionals. ACRES' excellent trainers offer free live one-hour interactive sessions.

The competency-based STEM facilitation micro-credentials for STEM facilitation offered through the NAA Professional Credentialing System are aligned with NAA's core knowledge skills and competencies and PEAR's Dimensions of Success (DoS) Framework. OST staff who earn these micro-credentials are recognized for using practices that result in quality STEM programs that produce positive youth outcomes.

Click here to register for a STEM microcredentialing workshop at 8 pm EST on November 8, 2023.

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