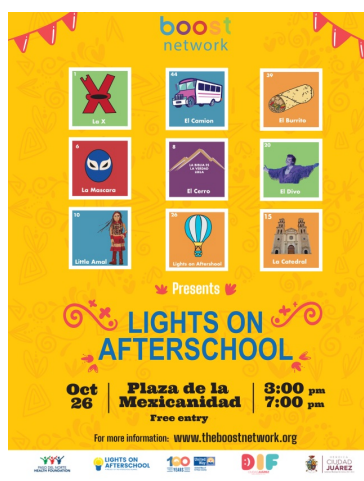


The Latest in OST with BOOST



Lights on Afterschool (LOA) was launched in October 2000 by the Afterschool Alliance to call attention to the importance of out-of-school time (OST) programs for children, families, and communities. Annually, more than 8,000 Lights on Afterschool events and rallies in the United States attract millions of people and media coverage nationwide.

Since 2018, BOOST Network has celebrated Lights on Afterschool, inviting children and youth in the Paso del Norte region to participate in OST celebrations of our out-of-school time programs.

We are proud and excited to present our Lights on Afterschool Event Series to celebrate our region's OST programs and partner organizations. Here is the full schedule:

- On **Wednesday, Oct. 25th**, members are invited to join us **at Ascarate Park** at 6900 Delta Dr, El Paso, TX 79905, **from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm**, where there will be a carnival full of activities.
- On **Thursday, October 26th**, **from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm**, members are invited to join us at **The Plaza de Mexicanidad** at Chamizal, 32300 Cd Juárez, Chih., Mexico, where we will have a Mexican fiesta.
- And on **Friday, October 27th**, members are invited to join us **at the Boys & Girls Club of Las Cruces**, 330 W. Las Cruces Ave, Las Cruces, NM 88005, **from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm**, where there will be a costume party.

We are partnering with BOOST members to host fun and engaging during these festivities and we would love your participation. Follow us on our social networks so you don't miss any details about this series of events, and download these two flyers (El Paso and Juarez), which are open to the general public to attend.

Please help us promote this effort! We will see you all soon!!!

El Paso

Cd. Juarez



NAA - Special Feature on the BOOST Network



Last month, During our Quarter meeting of September, we had a special guest speaker from the [National AfterSchool Association \(NAA\)](#), Angelica Portillo who shared about quality OST programs in which they depend on a stable hand of qualified professionals, reviewed with our members the OST Job Design Framework to discuss solutions for recruiting and retaining staff.

Read this unique article from NAA's Director of Advocacy and Workforce Initiatives, Angelica Portillo during her experience visiting the BOOST Network and our region for the very first time.

[Read full article](#)

Member Highlights & Activities

YWCA - Walk a Mile in Her Shoes 2023



[YWCA El Paso Del Norte Region](#) invites you to Paint the Town Red at the Walk a Mile in Her Shoes 2023.

The event supports YWCA's Sara McKnight Transitional Living Center for survivors of domestic violence. At the event, men are asked to walk in high-heeled shoes to actively confront gender stereotypes and expectations.

The event is scheduled for [October 19, 2023, at San Jacinto Plaza, Downtown](#)

For tickets, information, and other inquiries, visit their website [here](#).

El Paso Public Library - Teentober Fest



[El Paso Public Libraries](#) invites all teens to participate at Teentober Fest this October 14, 2023 from 11:00 am - 3:00 pm, at 610 N. Yarbrough Dr.

The event has free and open admission where youth will enjoy different activities like a gaming truck, cosplay contest, Dungeons & Dragons, live music, prizes and more.

[Click here](#) for more information.

Live Active - Color 5K Run



[Live Active](#) invites the community to join the Color 5k Run, 1 Mile fun walk and health expo on [September 30, 2023](#) from [8:30 am - 12:00 pm](#) at 1300 Joe Battle Blvd. El Paso, TX US 79928, they will be also fitness classes, raffles, and giveaways.

[Click here](#) to sign up and for more information.

Professional Development & Funding Opportunities

Action for Healthy Kids - Functional Skills for Heathy Students

[Action for Health Kids](#) invites you to join this virtual PD opportunity to learn how to use a skills-based health ed approach to teaching health

Functional Skills for Healthy Students

Join us for a Deep Dive into the National Health Education Standards October 2nd through November 27th Mondays from 7-8:30PM EST



Register Now for our Fall Training Series Scan to Learn More



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Functional info is important when teaching health education.

For more information and to register, [click here.](#)

New Mexico Out of School Time Network - Fall into Place Virtual Conference

Reserve Your Spot for the 2023 Conference!
Thursday October 26 - Friday October 27
Click Here to Register Now!

[New Mexico Out-of-School Time Network](#) invites the community on [October 26-27](#) to register for its 13th annual New Mexico Out-of-School Time Network Fall into Place Virtual Conference.

Explore, Learn, Connect: Elevate your afterschool programming game.

Don't delay! Secure your spot today and join them for an enriching and inspiring conference experience.

Early Bird Special will end on [September 30](#).

To register and for more information, [click here.](#)

Paso del Norte Children's Development Center - ADHD Conference

MANTENTE SANA
MANTENTE POSITIVA
Metas de cuidar tu salud mental y mantener una actitud positiva y activa.
GRATUITO!
Octubre 24 de 10am a 12pm
1101 E. Schuster Ave, EP, TX 79902
HABRA PREMIOS!
Para mas información: Araceli Urrutia (araceli.urrutia@pdnchildrens.org)

[Paso del Norte Children's Development Center](#) invites the community this [October 24, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm](#) at 1101 E. Schuster Ave. to learn strategies for maintaining positive and productive mindset this fall.

To register, [click here](#) and [click here](#) to send and email to Araceli Urrutia for more information.



[Action for healthy Kids](#) invites the community to register and participate in the AFHL annual Healthy School Summit, which will be held at the EPISD Professional Development Center on **November 17th, 2023, from 9 am - 4 pm.**

There will be panels on mental health, physical activity, safe routes to schools, and presentations from community partners.

If you are interested in participating in a demonstration, presentation, or immunity showcase, please email [Trina De Maria](mailto:Trina.DeMaria@episd.org).

For more information and to register, [click here](#).

United Way of El Paso County - 100 Acts of Service



Looking for a way to volunteer and give back to the community?

[United Way of El Paso County](#) invites everyone to be a part of 100 Acts of Service throughout El Paso where there will be volunteer events throughout the community beginning **Friday, October 6, marking Saturday, October 14, and ending Monday, October 16.**

To find an opportunity near you, [click here](#).

My Texas Future - Let's Build Your Future



Whether you want to support your youth to go back to school or advance their career, My Texas Future shows you what's possible and how to help them achieve it.

Here are helpful resources to support career navigation for BOOST members who are working with youth and supporting their decisions about their future.

[More information](#)

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