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Hello BOOST Network members!

Keeping you connected to out of school time in the borderland.

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June BOOST Network Quarterly Meeting Recap



JUNE BOOST NETWORK MEETING RECAP



BOOST Quarterly Meeting Recap

Our June 5th Quarterly Meeting had the participation of 51 members representing 29 different organizations from the Paso del Norte region.

In this quarterly meeting our members learned about the work of the Action Team on developing strategies and a set of recommendations to move our [BOOST Network](#) forward. The two recommendations included organizational membership and a BOOST Network Summit. We want to express our immense gratitude for the hard work and commitment to our Action Team members: Bobbi Jo Ortiz, Ashley Echavarria, Ileana Martinez, Alejandra Gaytan, Mollie Lighthall, Maru Parra and Simon Chandler.

The second part of our meeting featured an impacting presentation by Executive Director of the [Paso del Norte Center of Hope](#) Elke Cumming on human trafficking. Elke provided our network with amazing tools to identify, react, and report human trafficking using local resources. The rich presentation allowed our network to be understand and be aware of red flags and other signs to be help at-risk children and youth.

Thank you for supporting the Network and participating. We can't do it without you! If you have any questions about this meeting, or any other updates please contact boost@unitedwayelpaso.org

Mark your calendars for our upcoming 2018 quarterly meetings:

Tuesday, September 4, 2018

Tuesday, December 4, 2018

Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 4, 2018

Time: 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Location: Stanton Tower Auditorium

Lunch will be provided.

RSVP to boost@unitedwayelpaso.org by Friday, August 31.

Looking for Professional Development or Funding Opportunities?

Check out conferences, workshops, webinars, and funding opportunities happening soon.



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Capacity Building Training Opportunities in Cd. Juarez

On May 24, 2018 the Juarez Committee for Children and Youth held the first capacity building training for organizations that work with children and youth. The committee was formed with input from stakeholders, community members and youth service providers with the objective of improving the

quality of programs and services offered to children and youth of Cd. Juarez.

This first training was centered on the law of working with children and youth in Mexico delivered by Erika Espinoza and Jose Luis Flores State Coordinator of SIPINNA (Sistema Estatal de Proteccion Integral de Niñas, Niños y Adolsecentes/Children and Youth Protection State System) of Chihuahua.

The training had the participation of 69 people from 24 organization that included direct program/service providers and different departments of Mexican government.

This is the **first training of four to be delivered in 2018**. To learn more about this initiative and upcoming trainings in Juarez, please contact Enrique Garcia at egarcia@unitedwayelpaso.org



NMOST featured in local news story on Summer Learning Loss

KOB TV, Channel 4 in Albuquerque, recently ran a story on How to Combat Summer Learning Loss. Reporter, Morgan Aguilar contacted NMOST, and interviewed Executive Director, May Sagbakken for the story, which ran on the morning news hour on Wednesday, June 13th.

May was able to provide some of the background of NMOST's work and about the importance of afterschool and summer learning programs for keeping youth and children safe, exposing them to career path information, and reinforcing and expanding their educational experiences.

Check out our friend May's full interview [HERE](#)



Gen2Gen Summer Fun(d)

[Gen2Gen](#) is giving away 10 mini-grants of up to \$250 for fun, creative summer projects that bring older adults and kids together for meaningful interactions, like a reading garden, intergenerational block party, book club launch/gathering, or an at-the-laundromat literacy activity. The possibilities are endless!

As you know, summer can be hard on kids who lose access to school meals, safe places to play, and opportunities to learn. In fact, by the fifth grade, summer learning loss can leave low-income students two-and-a-half to three years behind their peers. NSLA and Gen2Gen believes that summer projects can help change that.

The application takes less than 10 minutes to complete. Click [HERE](#) for more information



Call for Workshop Proposals- Fall into Place 2018!

The New Mexico Out-of-School Time Network invites you to submit a

Workshop Proposal for presentation at their annual Fall into Place Conference. Proposals will be reviewed and, if accepted, will be presented at the conference taking place October 19 - 20, 2018 at the Embassy Suites Hotel.

More than 320 OST staff and advocates attended the 5th Annual Fall into Place Conference in 2017. It was a high energy conference with excellent national and local speakers, networking and learning. This is your opportunity to join them in 2018 and create a high quality learning experience for OST staff in New Mexico.

Submissions are encouraged to be on topics aligned with the workshop tracks listed in the submission form (Health, Nutrition, and Physical Activity; Social and Emotional Learning (SEL); Culturally Responsive Practices, and more). Additional topics like Summer Learning, College and Career Readiness and Rural Capacity Building are welcome.

All workshop proposals must be submitted on [this form](#) . Emailed submissions will not be reviewed.

Submission Deadline: **July 6, 2018**

Acceptance Notification: **July 20, 2018**

Final Workshop Description/Speaker Deadline: **August 3, 2018**

For questions and inquiries please contact [May Sagbakken](#)



Webinar: The Importance of Summer Meals !

Children affected by learning loss often also face a nutrition gap during the summer months. Children who rely on school for breakfast, lunch and after-school meals lose access to those nutritious meals during the summer and their families often struggle to fill the gap.

Summer programs can provide the platform for summer meals, which ensure that children have the nutrition they need to focus and learn throughout the

day. Studies show that when children don't get proper nutrition, they fall behind their peers academically when returning to school in the fall.

The [National Summer Learning Association](#) (NSLA) and Derrick Lambert of the No Kid Hungry campaign will host a webinar to learn how your program can elevate the importance of summer meals for healthy youth and community development. Walk away with 1-2 tangible actions you can take to elevate the awareness of Summer Meal programs within your community.

Register for the webinar [HERE](#) scheduled for **June 28th at 2pm** Eastern Time



National AfterSchool Association- Summer Leadership Webinar Series

Summer is a great time to focus on your personal leadership development and plan for stronger staff engagement.

The National AfterSchool Association is offering 3 Webinars as part of the Summer Leadership Webinar Series.

June 28, 2018 - Staff Up! Recruiting and Retaining Quality People

Presented by Marissa Badgley, ExpandedED Schools

This webinar will provide an overview of best and promising practices for recruiting and retaining the "right" people in school and afterschool settings. You will explore how to improve systems and policies in ways that ensure sustainability and long-term success of our programs.

July 26, 2018- Leading with Focus - How to Engage Your Employees

Presented by Stacy Litteral and Ann Tancioco, Kids' Country

In this session, you will learn how to navigate that journey to ensure you engage staff at the highest level possible, making the greatest impact on those you serve.

August 2, 2018- Proactive Management - Preventing Program Fires

Presented by Justin Hensley, Tori Schwarzlose and Jeff Miller, After-School All-Stars

In this session, we'll dive into the approaches, habits, and best practices that

define proactive managers. Learn the tools and practices that help minimize "program fires" and their chances of occurring.

Register [here](#)



NMOST Scholarships for Advancing Young Women in STEM

The New Mexico Out-of-School Time Network (NMOST) is pleased to announce its first annual Advancing Young Women in STEM scholarships for New Mexico residents.

Women remain underrepresented in the STEM professions and there is a need to close the gender gap and inspire the next generation of female innovators and leaders. In that spirit, [NMOST](#) is launching an Advancing Young Women in STEM web page and scholarships to improve pathways for young women.

NMOST is committed to investing in the health and safety of all young people by providing increased access to expanded learning opportunities that will help close the achievement gap and prepare young people to compete in the global economy.

The Advancing Young Women in STEM scholarship application can be found [HERE](#).

Stay Connected to News from the Out of School Time Field

Check out the Summer Learning Recruitment Guide from The Wallace Foundation.

[The Wallace Foundation](#) recently released their [Summer Learning Recruitment Guide](#). This guide is based on lessons from the [National Summer Learning Project](#) and outlines how you can design and implement a recruitment plan to motivate parents and kids to register and attend voluntary summer programs.

SUMMER LEARNING RECRUITMENT GUIDE



Summer is a critical time of the year to engage children and youth. Research shows that risky behavior among youth spikes in the summer months. This [guide](#) will show you how to get started, develop your strategy, and how to create a game plan for summer learning recruitment.



Commissioned by:



Join the [National Summer Learning Association \(NSLA\)](#) in its 25th anniversary season of National Summer Learning Day to unite to shape smarter summers, and brighter futures for America's children and youth.

This July 12, 2018 shine a spotlight on our community and post your Summer Learning Day event or program today.

Summer champions across the country have posted more than 100 summer learning events and programs in 25 states to the National Summer Learning Day Events Tracker.

Find a social media tool kit [here](#) and use these [10 tips](#) for celebrating summer learning day.



Member Announcements and Events

Have an upcoming event? Let us know below!



Libraries Rock!- Summer Reading Program at the El Paso Public Library

[El Paso Public Library](#) is currently hosting Children and Teen Summer Reading Clubs. The program officially kicked off on Saturday, June 11th, but they will be hosting weekly themed activities and events throughout the month of July as well.

Libraries Rock! Summer Reading Program is filled with special events, give-aways, parties and much more. Children and youth only have to pledge to read 8 books or 8 hours and turn in their reading logs by the due date to be able to claim a prize.

[Click here](#) for a full array of services, schedules, locations and other activities tailored for children and youth at the [El Paso Public Library](#).



Rodando Libros- Book Exchange Program at La Rodadora

[La Rodadora Espacio Interactivo](#) started a program of book exchange

through the program Rodando Libros.

Rodando libros, pretends to promote community book exchange which will reinforce the healthy habit of reading. La Rodadora will be hosting monthly events at their premises where participants can register a book allowing other people to borrow books that they have not read yet, without the expense of purchasing the book.

How it works: A person registers and leaves at Rodateca (library inside Rodadora) 1 to 5 books that s/he thinks other people should read. Then children and youth wait until the official times of "Rodando Libros" are released to pick up different books they expressed interest on reading, but limited to the amount they brought to share. Books are returned a week before the next Rodando Libros schedule, and the cycle repeats.

For more information visit [La Rodadora website](#)

Does your organization have any upcoming events in 2018? Send a short description to boost@unitedwayelpaso.org and we can feature your event in our newsletter and on our social media.

The [Borderland Out-of-School Time Network](#) supports collaboration, coordination, and communication among out-of-school time program providers, other youth service agencies and community stakeholders across the Paso del Norte region.



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