An Accurate Census Count is Essential for Afterschool Programs

From the Afterschool Alliance:

Afterschool programs across our country are making a huge difference in the lives of children, families and communities. Millions of our children and youth rely on federal support, determined by the U.S. census, to attend afterschool and summer learning programs. The results of the census will be used to determine how more than $900 billion of federal spending will be allocated for the next 10 years.

The Afterschool Alliance has created a toolkit to help afterschool programs, staff, and youth ensure that every member of their community is counted.

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Year End Giving

YOU are what makes it possible for us to continue to do what we do and we know you have many great options to support during this Year-End giving season. Thank you for considering AzCASE by making a donation towards our new Youth Development Champions Program.

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The Youth Development Champions Program is a year-long fellowship for passionate out-of-school time supporters from across Arizona to lead the public discourse on the value of out-of-school time programming and advocate for increased public and private investment in proven practices.

For more information about the AzCASE Youth Development Champions Program including benefits and requirements Click Here.
Aim High: Supporting Out-of-School Time Programs Serving Middle School Youth
On behalf of the New York Life Foundation, the Afterschool Alliance invites out-of-school time programs to apply for a new competitive grant opportunity to support and bolster the ability of afterschool and summer learning programs help their middle school students make a successful transition from 8th to 9th grade. This competitive grant program includes both one- and two-year grant opportunities.

Environmental Education Grants Program
The EPA seeks grant applications from eligible organizations to support environmental education projects that promote environmental awareness and stewardship and help provide people with the skills to take responsible actions to protect the environment. This grant program provides financial support for projects that design, demonstrate, and/or disseminate environmental education practices, methods, or techniques.

From the National Afterschool Association: Steps to Intentional SEL in OST
Many OST programs are looking for ways to be more intentional in how they promote social-emotional skills. In this video, learn how a three-tiered approach to SEL program implementation can create an intentional learning environment that supports the social-emotional development of youth. Click Here Watch the Video

Arizona OST Quality Program

- Make it Count Pledge
- Quality Standards Self-Assessment Tool
- Arizona Accreditation

Need help or have questions about the Arizona Quality Standards? Just give us a call! 602.734.5434

Quality Program Details