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City of Phoenix STEAM Mini-Grants

The Phoenix City Manager's Youth and Education Office is offering grant funding to expand learning activities in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics. **Grants valued between \$1000 and \$5000** will support programs that provide

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The AZ Afterschool Directory: Where Parents Search for Programs

Is your program one of the **1,400** already featured in the Directory? If not, it needs to be.



This spring, AzCASE will launch a promotional campaign targeting parents in search of a quality summer program for their children.

The AZ Afterschool Directory is a **free, bi-lingual, comprehensive** listing that lets parents search for out-of-school time (OST) programs by location, services, ages of the youth served, and more using a map-based interface.

Currently-Listed Programs: [Log in](#) to review and update your program information.

learning opportunities in both formal and informal educational settings.

The grants will target Title I Phoenix schools that have high percentages of minorities on the Free and Reduced Lunch program.

The deadline for submitting grant proposals is January 16, 2015. For more information, contact [Tim Valencia](#).

Also check out our [resources page](#) for other job and grant opportunities and more!

Are You Coding with Your Youth?

With **zero coding experience** and even **little to zero financial investment**, you can still help young children with age-appropriate coding.

Coding can **help youth become more involved in STEM** areas and **fosters problem-solving, creativity, and logical thinking** even for those who never intend to pursue programming as a career or hobby.

[Check out this list](#) of free and low-budget apps for teaching elementary-age children all about coding.

New Programs: Go to the [Directory](#) to create your account and add your program data!

Programs editing or adding their programs by **Friday, February 13th** will be **entered to win Rockets to the Rescue** kits which are a great addition to any summer program! Use of the [confirmation information form](#) is required to be entered in the drawing.

Remember--*34% of youth in Arizona would participate in programs if their parents knew they were available!* Now is your time to spread awareness of your program and reach parents and youth for all your fantastic summer and fall programming!

AzCASE Announces Winter/Spring Series of Professional Development Trainings

Join our dynamic, knowledgeable presenters as they dig deeper into the topics and skills that Arizona out-of-school time professionals identified as "most needed".

Back by popular demand are Diana Brown, Larry Kerby, and Kami Kerby who were all stand outs at the recent AzCASE conference. Here is your chance to take your expertise to the next level. Move beyond the basics presented at the conference and learn first hand how to polish and apply the skills needed to move your program from "good" to "great".

Register now for a professional development opportunity near you, including:

- **Diana Brown's Providing Structure & Encouragement in Your Program Community** on February 10th, 12th, & 19th
- **Larry and Kami Kerby's Foundations of**

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Love & Logic on March 3rd and 5th

- **Larry Kerby's 9 Essential Skills for Love & Logic in Out-of-School Time** on March 4th
- ***with more workshops to be announced soon!***

Register today, seating is limited. Stay tuned for our announcement of additional PD opportunities in the next couple of weeks!

Check out our site for registration, seminar descriptions, and more information.

Thank you for your support of AzCASE happenings and all you do for Arizona's youth!

Sincerely,

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