



GEORGIA STATEWIDE AFTERSCHOOL NETWORK



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The **Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network (GSAN)** plays a pivotal role in advancing Georgia's afterschool and youth development field by engaging new and existing partners, supporting quality improvement and professional development, and working toward the sustainability of the field through policy and advocacy.

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2017 INCLUDE:

Quality Program Supports



Launched the Georgia Afterschool E-Learning Institute, an online learning platform for afterschool and summer learning providers.



Piloted a technical assistance (TA) and coaching system for 19 afterschool programs aligned to the GA ASYD Quality Standards in partnership with GUIDE, Inc.



Selected and supported six summer programs in Atlanta in implementing the Zero Robotics Program.

Sustainability



Hosted the first *Brews for Afterschool* fundraiser celebrating Lights on Afterschool.



Secured two new multi-year grants from the Goizueta and Mott Foundations totaling \$420,000 over the next three years.



Grew to three full-time staff with additional support provided by an Americorps VISTA member and MSW intern.

Policy and Advocacy



Helped save 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC), the only federal funding for afterschool from elimination in the federal budget.



Hosted two summer opportunity workgroups as a part of a long-term advocacy strategy around summer.



Successfully advocated for five of GSAN's comments to be included in Georgia's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) state plan.

Policy and Advocacy



Developed and launched an Afterschool Community Champion Program to build a network of advocates across the state.



Registered over 350 programs for GSAN's map, Georgia's only searchable map dedicated to out-of-school time programs.



Hosted three community conversations in Atlanta, Albany, and Savannah to educate and build connections around afterschool.

Serving as Georgia's statewide afterschool network since 2004, GSAN has:

- ▶ Collaborated with the Georgia Division of Family and Children Services and Departments of Education and Public Health to develop and release the Georgia Afterschool & Youth Development (ASYD) Quality Standards, Georgia's first out-of-school time standards.
- ▶ Supported the Georgia Afterschool & Youth Development Conference in 2013, 2014, and 2016, reaching more than 600 participants each year.
- ▶ Provided quality professional development opportunities including two multi-day Georgia Afterschool Institutes and several one-day training sessions.
- ▶ Hosted Mayoral Summits on Afterschool in Atlanta, Milledgeville, and Hinesville in partnership with the Georgia Municipal Association.
- ▶ Supported the development of training and curriculum around high demand topics such as physical activity, sustainability, global learning, and STEM by bringing in new partners and funders.

By supporting afterschool and summer learning programs in Georgia, we're preparing our future leaders for tomorrow and helping our families, businesses, and communities thrive.

About Us

The Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network (GSAN) is a public-private collaborative that envisions a day when **all communities in Georgia** provide exceptional afterschool programming. Our mission is to **advance, connect, and support** quality afterschool programs to promote the success of children and youth throughout Georgia.

GSAN is one of 50 statewide afterschool networks supported by the C.S. Mott Foundation. Since 2013, Voices for Georgia's Children (Voices), a nonprofit child policy and advocacy organization, has served as the fiscal sponsor of GSAN.

What Do We Do?

Providing access to professional development, best practices, and enrichments for out-of-school time programs.



Supporting the development of policy priorities and advocacy strategies at the local and state level.



Engaging families, communities, businesses, and local and state leaders while educating them on the positive impacts of afterschool programming.



Our Leadership Team

The following organizations are represented on GSAN's Leadership Team:

- ▶ Atlanta Community Food Bank
- ▶ Georgia Division of Family and Children Services
- ▶ Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta
- ▶ GUIDE, Inc.
- ▶ Future Foundation
- ▶ J.W. Fanning Institute for Leadership Development
- ▶ Georgia Campaign for Adolescent Power & Potential
- ▶ United Way of Greater Atlanta
- ▶ Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
- ▶ Voices for Georgia's Children
- ▶ Georgia Department of Education
- ▶ VOX Teen Communications
- ▶ Georgia Department of Public Health
- ▶ YMCA of Metro Atlanta

Funding for the Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network

\$200,000 +	C.S. Mott Foundation	Multi-year grant to support statewide, regional and local partnerships that build and sustain high-quality programs
	United Way of Greater Atlanta	Multi-year grant to strengthen, connect, and support afterschool and summer programs in the greater Atlanta area
	Goizueta Foundation	Multi-year grant to strengthen and scale GSAN's technical assistance system
	C.S. Mott Foundation	Multi-year grant to strengthen Georgia's school-age child care policies
\$100,000 - \$199,999	Georgia Division of Family and Children Services (Sub-contracted from GUIDE, Inc.)	To provide technical assistance to youth development programs funded through the Prevention and Community Support Section
Under \$100,000	State Agency Collaborative	To support the Georgia Afterschool & Youth Development Initiative including the 2018 Conference, training events, and communications
	National Conference for State Legislators	To complete a return on investment (ROI) study on programs funded by Georgia's 21st CCLC or DFCS' Afterschool Care Program
	Innovation Learning Center	To support Atlanta-area summer programs in providing hands-on STEM learning to middle school students.

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