

THE BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES IN OUT-OF-School time (Boost) grants program

The Building Opportunities in Out-of-School Time grants program, or **BOOST**, is a state-funded, competitive initiative administered through a partnership between the Georgia Department of Education and the Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network (GSAN). BOOST supports more than 50,000 youth through high-quality afterschool and summer learning programs that are evidencebased and designed to strengthen academic achievement and promote whole child development.

AFTERSCHOOL IMPACT:



594 afterschool sites

SUMMER LEARNING IMPACT:





HOW DOES BOOST STRENGTHEN OUT-OF-SCHOOL TIME LEARNING?



Expands access to essential out-of-school time learning across Georgia

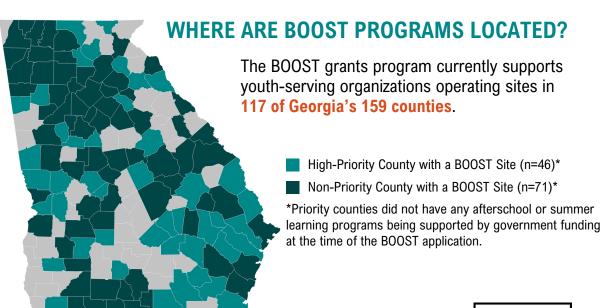


Removes barriers like transportation, costs, and limited availability



Strengthens program quality

through evidence-based strategies that promote whole-child outcomes



AREAS OF IMPACT

% of grantees offering targeted programming in key impact areas

LITERACY (Science of Reading)



- 85% of community grantees
- 100% of statewide grantees

NUMERACY



- 82% of community grantees
- 100% of statewide grantees

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



- 69% of community grantees
- 100% of statewide grantees

INVESTMENT BREAKDOWN

Community Grants

60 grantees



Statewide Grants

3 grantees



HIGH DEMAND, LIMITED RESOURCES



143
eligible applications submitted



\$30.5M requested



Only 44% of top-scoring applicants* received funding

\$11.5M

\$30.5M

awarded

requested



High-quality programs are going unfunded across the state.

RECOMMENDATION

Increase BOOST funding to \$20 million to build on the state's annual investment in community-based out-of-school time programs.

*Limited resources meant that many high scoring applications were not funded – illustrating the quality of Georgia's OST programs and high demand for this funding.



