

The Latest in OST with BOOST



The December BOOST quarterly meeting marks the conclusion of our 2024 year.

As we wrap up this year, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your continued support. Your loyalty means so much to us, and we are truly thankful to be part of the expanding network of out-of-school time (OST) organizations within The BOOST Network.

We are excited to continue serving you in the new year with even more resources for parents, as well as events and workshops designed to enhance our exceptional services. Wishing you a joyful holiday season

and a prosperous new year!

We look forward to seeing you all again at our next BOOST Network meeting on **March 4, 2025**.

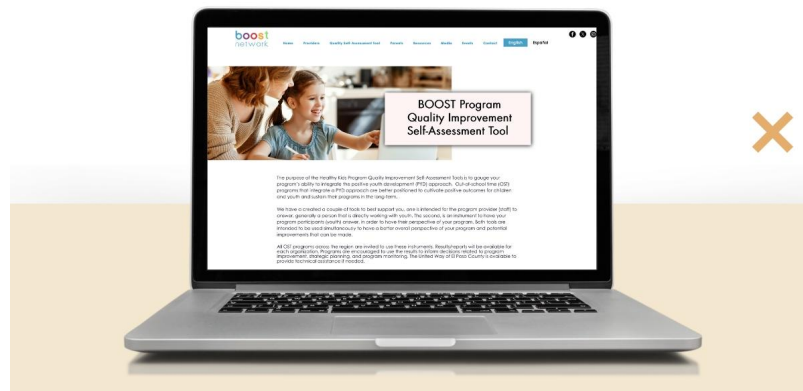
[See the full presentation here](#)



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Quality Improvement Self-Assessment Tool



Attention Members!

Exciting News: Quality Improvement Self-Assessment Tool Now Available!

Enhance your youth programs with our new, exclusive self-assessment tool! This innovative questionnaire helps you understand your participants' experiences through the lens of the 6Cs of Positive Youth Development and youth disconnection.

Key Features:

- 40 multiple-choice questions
- Measures program satisfaction and collects useful demographics
- Goal: Survey 80% of your program participants

BOOST Team Support:

- Personalized online survey links for participants
- Data entry link for paper surveys
- Automatic report generation

This unique tool is available exclusively to BOOST member organizations, after-school programs, and service providers until **January 31, 2025**.

Don't miss this opportunity to gain valuable insights and improve your youth programs!

Request your organization's exclusive youth survey links

Member Highlights & Activities

A Magical Day at the Museum - La Rodadora



[La Rodadora](#) invites the community to participate in a day full of magic and activities for the whole family at the museum on **December 13 from 7:00 pm - 12:00 am**.

Space is limited, and there is a fee of \$250 pesos.

For more information, and to purchase tickets, [click here](#).

Bicycle ride with Christmas lights - Friends of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peak



[Friends of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks](#) will host a Holiday Lights Bike Ride on **Friday, December 13**, starting at 5:30 pm from the downtown Las Cruces Plaza and is inviting the entire community to join by wearing holiday attire, as well as bringing bike lights, helmets and decorations.

For more information, [click here](#).

Sun Metro - Poster Design Contest

Sun Metro, El Paso's essential bus transportation service helping people get to school, work and other destinations around the city, invites the community to show their creative skills by taking part in a FREE art contest.

This contest is open to a School-age students, Grades K-12.



Deadline to submit artwork is 5 p.m.
Friday, January 17, 2025.

For more information, [click here](#).

Desarrollo Juvenil del Norte A.C - Christmas Concert



[Desarrollo Juvenil del Norte A.C.](#) presents the Salesian Children and Youth Choir in their free Christmas Concert on **December 16th at 7:00 pm** at the Victor Hugo Rascon Banda - CCPN Theater, with different guest artists and lots of fun for the whole family.

For more information, [click here](#)

Professional Development & Funding Opportunities

Engage Every Student Recognition Program



Applications are now live for the national 2024-25 **Engage Every Student Recognition Program!**

This program aims to recognize non-profit organizations, city municipalities or local government entities, and local education agencies working together to engage students in high-quality afterschool and summer learning programs. **The application** closes on **January 31, 2025 at 11:59 p.m. ET** with two Office Hours opportunities to learn more about this year's eligibility criteria

and the application:

- Wednesday, December 11, 2024 at 12:00 pm CT. [Register](#) for the December Office Hours.
- Wednesday, January 8, 2025 at 3:00 pm CT. [Register](#) for the January Office Hours.

The New York Life Foundation - Grant for OST programs



The New York Life Foundation's 2024

Aim High grant competition is now open for applications! A total of 40 grants totaling \$1.8 million will be awarded to afterschool, summer, or expanded learning programs serving middle school youth.

Programs will be selected for grants based on their ability to help youth transition successfully to ninth grade and how they provide academic, social, and emotional supports for youth.

Eligible programs can apply to one of four grant categories with funding ranging from \$15,000 to \$100,000

[Join their webinar](#) on [January 11 at 2 p.m. ET](#) to learn more about this opportunity.

Applications are due [February 1, 2024, at 5 p.m. ET.](#)

View the full RFP and submit your application [here](#).

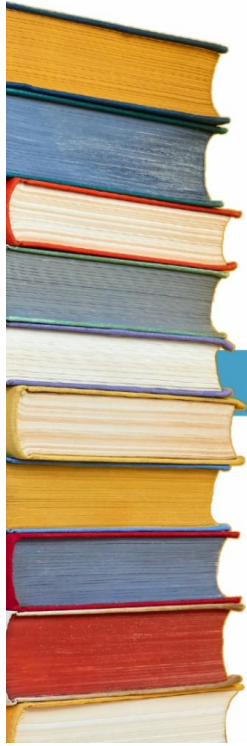
FECHAC - Social Project Financing!



[FECHAC](#) is dedicated to promoting citizen initiatives that address the needs of sectors with high rates of poverty and social disintegration in our state, guaranteeing the human rights of people living in vulnerable conditions.

Therefore, FECHAC invites all civil society organizations or public institutions to participate in financing a social project.

To submit a project and for more information, [click here](#).

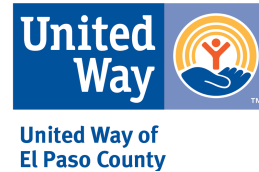


CHECK OUT OUR Out-of-School Time Library

NEW RESOURCES HAVE BEEN ADDED SUCH AS:

- Responding, Reimagining, Realizing
Out-of - School time Coordination in a New Era
- Empowering Youth Through STEM & Civic
Engagement: Tools for Educators in Out-of-School
Time Programs

Find this and more here



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