



# \$122 Billion for Education in American Rescue Plan: What it means for OST programs



Voices of Summer Webinar Series



# Welcome!

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- Due to time constraints, we will not have live Q&A
- Please drop all questions in the chat, we will follow up with a written FAQ for all questions



# Opening Remarks

- Quick Moment of Appreciation and Thanks – OST Field has Earned and is Prepared for this Opportunity
- Remember: Multi-year effort
- Focus on Program Quality “AND” Quantity
- Silos evaporate when we Focus on Serving more Youth, Collaboration and Creativity
- Focus on programs combining Academics, Enrichment, Physical Activity and Social Emotional Supports
- Focus on building and modeling Partnerships between School Districts, Youth Serving Government Agencies and Nonprofits
- Best Practice Research, Resources, Curriculum, Staff trainings, Assessment tools available and more to come
- National Summer Learning Week July 12-16<sup>th</sup> – chance for us to promote what everyone is doing ([www.summerlearning.org](http://www.summerlearning.org))
- Collective opportunity to demonstrate high ROI and value
- Leave a legacy of continued, annual and increased investment in year round summer and afterschool OST learning opportunities for all students



# Presenters

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# Webinar Overview

- Welcome, Aaron Dworkin, CEO, NSLA
- Overview of COVID-19 Relief Plans
- American Rescue Plan
- Leveraging State and Local Funds
- Child Care & Nutrition
- Communities in Schools
- CDC Guidance

# Quick Overview of COVID-19 Relief Packages

Congressional Bill	Enacted	TOTAL Appropriation	PK-12 Public Education Allocation	% Funds to LEAs	Must spend by
Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act)	March 2020	\$2.2 Trillion	\$13.5 Billion	90%	December 30, 2021
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act	December 28, 2020	\$900 Million	\$54.3 Billion	90%	September 30, 2022 (6)
American Rescue Plan (ARP)	March 11, 2021	\$1.9 Trillion	\$122.0 Billion	90%	September 30, 2023 (6)
<b>TOTALS</b>		\$5 Trillion	\$189.8 Billion		



# American Rescue Plan - Education Provisions: \$30 Billion for Summer & Afterschool

- **\$122 billion for k-12 education through the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund**
  - **\$8.45B available from SEAs (would serve 9 million students, doubling current number)**
    - \$1.22B set-aside for summer enrichment
    - \$1.22B set-aside for afterschool programs
    - 5%, approximately, \$6.1B, for learning recovery (including summer + afterschool)
  - Providers can be direct grantees of these funds (more on that in next slides)
- **\$22 billion to LEAs for learning recovery strategies, including afterschool and summer enrichment**
- \$1 billion for Corporation for National and Community Service through AmeriCorps for AmeriCorps positions to help address learning recovery and other purposes

# American Rescue Plan, ESSER III: Timing

- Funds flowing in the next 4-6 weeks
  - Expect Dept. of Education to send to SEAs within a few weeks
  - SEAs disperse to LEAs within 60 days
- Can be spent over 24-30 months until Sept 2023
- Support can cover:
  - summer 2021, 2022, 2023
  - afterschool 21-22, 22-23

# Accessing the Funds at the State Level

Connect with your state's afterschool network & other statewide OST groups

Ask your state education agency how funding will be delivered & offer your expertise

- Mechanisms may be 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC, 3<sup>rd</sup> party grants, competition, other
- Encourage state education agency to include partnerships with community based orgs/afterschool & summer providers in their guidance to LEAs/school districts



# Making the Case for Funds at the Local Level

Offer your partnership to superintendents, school boards & principals to support students' recovery

- Share examples, evidence
- Demonstrate your existing connections with students & families, especially those in low income areas
- Be prepared to share details on what you can provide

# Nonprofit Relief & Recovery Funding - The WORK NOW Act .740

- Included in the American Rescue Plan:
  - Paycheck Protection Program: \$7.25B
    - 500+ employee now included
  - Self-Insured Nonprofits Unemployment Relief:
    - Payments increased from 50% to 75% costs
    - Extended through September 6<sup>th</sup>
- The Work Opportunities and Resources to Keep Nonprofit Organizations Well (WORK NOW) Act
  - Previously numbered S. 3747 / H.R. 7495 and led by Klobuchar (D-MN) in the Senate and Sanchez (D-CA38) in the House
  - \$50 billion grant program, which would assist nonprofit organizations in meeting the increased demand in services caused by coronavirus while helping them to retain and re-hire employees
  - 20% national organizations for pass through funding to local affiliates, 78% state and local government and nonprofits, 2% set aside for Native Tribes



*New Partnership  
Opportunity:*

# A Quality, Safe Place for School-Aged Kids

**National Center on  
Afterschool and  
Summer  
Enrichment  
(NCASE), US  
Department of  
Health & Human  
Services,  
Administration for  
Children and  
Families**

- **\$15 billion- the Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG)**
  - Expanded eligibility definition to now include **"licensed, regulated, or registered** in the State, territory, or Indian Tribe...and meets applicable State and local health and safety requirements"
  - Care for children of essential and healthcare workers, regardless of income
- **\$24 billion- a NEW Child Care Stabilization Fund**
  - Direct payments to emergency child care providers for current operating expenses during COVID-19
  - Eligible entities include CCDBG eligible OR **"licensed, regulated, or registered"**
  - Allowable uses: personnel, rent and utilities, PPE and sanitation, COVID supplies, good and services for child care, mental health support for children and employees
  - Funds will remain available through September 30, 2021



# USDA Meal Programs: Waivers Extended through Sept. 30, 2021

<b>Area Eligibility</b>	Allow meals served through the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) and Seamless Summer Option (SSO) – collectively known as “summer meal programs” – to be made available in all areas at no cost;
<b>Off-Site Consumption</b>	Allow meals to be served outside of the normally required group settings and meal times; and
<b>Pick-Up Options</b>	Allow parents and guardians to pick-up meals for their children, including bulk pick-up to cover multiple days of feeding children.

To empower communities to establish as many meal sites as they can effectively manage this summer...

[www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/how-become-sponsor](http://www.fns.usda.gov/sfsp/how-become-sponsor)



# Community Schools, Integrated Student Supports, and Mental Health Supports

- Are you part of a community school? Great!
  - 20% of funds must be used to address learning loss through evidence-based interventions that respond to students' academic, social, and emotional needs
  - Providing mental health services and supports, including through the implementation of evidence-based full-service community schools
  - Addressing learning loss among subgroups of students by:
    - implementing evidence-based activities to meet the comprehensive needs of students;
    - providing information and assistance to parents and families on how they can effectively support students, including in a distance learning environment; and
    - tracking student attendance and improving student engagement in distance education

# Community Schools, Integrated Student Supports, and Mental Health Supports, cont'd

Do you provide mental health supports or connect students with them?

- Project AWARE \$30 million
- Youth Suicide Prevention \$20 million
- National Child Traumatic Stress Network \$10 million

# Protocols for In-Person Youth Programs

## Guidance for Youth Programs and Camps

- Guidance based on robust body of evidence
- Multi-layered NPIs work to protect participants, staff and the local community
- CDC Updated Guidance - Mid-April, but advocating for sooner
- State Guidance - Rolling updates happening now

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