Arizona Department of Education Nita M Lowey 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers (21<sup>st</sup> CCLC), Title IV, Part B

# Framework – Community Partnerships

The Arizona Department of Education (ADE) 21st CCLC's most successful out of school time programs and subgrantees create a sustainability plan that help to maintain high quality student and family programming during all phases of the grant.

## **Original Application Partnership Requirements**

#### THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CCLC SUBGRANTEE MUST ASSURE THAT AT LEAST ONE COMMUNITY PARTNER (EXTERNAL ORGANIZATION) WILL ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SUBGRANTEE ANNUALLY TO SUPPORT DIRECT STUDENT/ADULT FAMILY MEMBER PROGRAMMING AND/OR EDUCATIONAL RELATED ACTIVITIES AND/OR SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS.

## **Identifying Potential Partners**

External partnerships may include a wide variety of community organizations such as volunteers, businesses, local universities, faith-based organizations, and other community organizations in order to offer students or families more services and additional support. External partners can help assist with 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC program sustainability efforts beyond the grant-funded period. Both the 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC subgrantee and identified partners need to collaborate to design a strategy to support the goals of the original grant and mission of the partner.

#### When a subgrantee is looking to identify a partnership, there are many things to consider:

- How can the partnership leverage local resources?
- How can the partnership assist in assessing and bridging gaps in program needs and outcomes?
- How can the partnership provide opportunities that the site-based community might not otherwise have?





#### Where to look for Community Partners?

Community Leaders	Places	Groups	Community Services	Industry	Other Resources
<ul> <li>Business</li> <li>Religious</li> <li>Political</li> <li>Long-term residents</li> <li>Philanthropist</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Parks</li> <li>Zoo</li> <li>Museums</li> <li>Restaurants</li> <li>College and universities</li> <li>Concert Venues</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Political</li> <li>Arts-Related</li> <li>Service- oriented</li> <li>Community- centered</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Government related</li> <li>Non-profit organizations</li> <li>Charities</li> <li>Education &amp; training related</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Small businesses</li> <li>Large corporation</li> <li>Family-owned businesses</li> <li>Trade groups &amp; unions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Newsletters</li> <li>Websites</li> <li>News         <ul> <li>organizations</li> </ul> </li> <li>Listservs</li> <li>Chamber of         <ul> <li>Commerce</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

You for Youth Archives: Strategic Partnerships: https://y4yarchives.org/learn/partnerships

The ADE has compiled a list of external organizations who have worked with 21st CCLC programs in Arizona and may be available to provide services, resources, and technical assistance for your out of school time programs. All Community Partnership information can be found on the 21st CCLC Program Resources page under Community as a Partner: <a href="https://www.azed.gov/21stcclc/21st-cclc-program-resources">https://www.azed.gov/21stcclc/21st-cclc-program-resources</a>

## How to Classify a Partnership?

There are four main types of partnerships we have seen to support 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC Programming:

- 1. Non-profit: an agency that has a non-profit status (ie. Boys and Girls Club)
- 2. For profit: an agency that is not designated as a non-profit (ie. Basha's or Safeway)
- 3. Vendor: a relationship that is of vendor and customer to support the program (ie. Be Kind Peoples Project or Future for Kids)
- 4. Volunteer: a relationship that is of a person(s) not being paid for their contribution to the program (ie. High School Volunteers)

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