



# LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

January 9, 2023

Re: 21st Century Community Learning Centers External Organization Profile Release

To Whom It May Concern:

The Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) is pleased to announce the opportunity for nonprofit organizations in Louisiana to submit an external organization profile (Profile). The LDOE is required, under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), Title IV, Part B, 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC), to provide a list of pre-screened external organizations.

The term "external organization" is defined by ESSA as: "(A) a nonprofit organization with a record of success in running or working with before and after school (or summer recess) programs and activities; or (B) in the case of a community where there is no such organization, a nonprofit organization in the community that enters into a written agreement or partnership with an organization described in subparagraph (A) to receive mentoring and guidance in running or working with before and after school (or summer recess) programs and activities" (ESSA, section 4201).

To meet the requirements for the minimum record of success, any organization submitting a Profile must:

- Operate as a nonprofit in good standing in Louisiana; and
- Have a minimum of seven years of experience operating or delivering services to out-of-school time programs in Louisiana.

If your organization meets the record of success requirements, you are eligible to complete and submit the Profile at [LDOEExOrgProfile](#) no later than 2:00 p.m. CDT on February 3, 2023. The next opportunity to submit a Profile will occur during the summer of 2025. LDOE will post the updated pre-screened list at <https://www.louisianabelieves.com/resources/library/family-support-toolbox-library> by March 3, 2023.

Please note that this solicitation will not result in a contract with LDOE. Nor does the listing represent an endorsement by LDOE. LDOE will verify "good standing" status using the debarred vendor list when the Profile is submitted and periodically thereafter. All eligible pre-screened organizations will remain on the list for two years from the date posted on the LDOE website.

I am requesting that you widely share this announcement throughout Louisiana. Thank you for your commitment to ensuring Louisiana's children have access to high quality out-of-school time programming.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Kennedy Victorian at 225-219-0779 or at [Kennedy.Victorian@la.gov](mailto:Kennedy.Victorian@la.gov).

Sincerely,

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Kenya Jenkins, Director

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# 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC External Organizations (2023-2025)

	External Organization	Contact Name	Address and Phone
	Big Buddy Program	Gaylynne Mack bigbuddy@bigbuddyprogram.org	1415 Main Street Baton Rouge, LA 70802 225-388-9737
	Community Works of Louisiana	Chandler Nutik chandler@communityworksla.org	3900 GENERAL TAYLOR, New Orleans, LA 70125 504-522-2667
	Kids' Orchestra	Sinella Aghasi saghasi@kidsorchestra.org	619 Jefferson Hwy Suite 1 A Baton Rouge, LA 70806 225-922.4656 ext 104
	Prek-12 and Beyond	Patricia B. Candler patcandler@bellsouth.net	400 East Craig Street Tallulah, LA 71282 318-574-1587
	Northwest Louisiana Community Development Corporation	Wanda Brandon northwestlacdc@gmail.com	4720 Greenwood Road, Shreveport, LA 71109 318-631-4428
	Upturn Arts	Dana Reed dana@upturnarts.org	1719 Toledano St. 504-427-1515