Welcome!

Learning Loss Grant
Applicant Orientation

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Learning Loss Grant

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Learning Loss grant

The Learning Loss grants are intended to reduce learning loss for the state of Georgia.

This grant opportunity will support community-based organizations who are serving Georgia’s most vulnerable young people; young people who reside in our economically disadvantaged communities that have higher concentrations of black and brown students.

Unique partnership between the Georgia Division of Family and Children Services and United Way of Greater Atlanta.
Learning Loss
Katie Landes, Director
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Learning Loss and Unfinished Learning

Loss of knowledge and skills due to extended gaps or discontinuities in a student’s education.

• United States - students on average 5 months behind in mathematics and 4 months behind in reading by the end of the 2020-2021 school year

• Metro Atlanta – about 21,000 fewer students in English Language Arts and 29,000 fewer in math are now on track for grade-level proficiency
Strategies to Infuse Academics

Center on enrichment, infuse with academics
• Hands-on learning provided by certified teachers
• Targeted professional development for staff
• Partnerships with schools to align learning goals
• 1:1 Tutoring
• Prioritizing youth most in need of support using pre- and post-assessments
Positive Youth Development Strategies

Prioritize engagement and relationships
• Project-based learning
• Youth voice and choice
• Varied group sizes
• Integration of arts
• Promote healthy habits
• Outdoor learning
• Make it fun!
Resources

- **Georgia Afterschool & Youth Development Quality Standards** (Georgia ASYD Initiative)
- **Summer Learning with Academic and Non-Academic Activities** (Wallace Foundation)
- Activities & Curriculum:
  - **Summer Activity Guide** (GSAN & 50 State Afterschool Network)
  - **Mizzen by Mott** (C.S. Mott Foundation)
- **Planning for Impactful Summer Learning** (GSAN & National Partners)
How to Apply through FLUXX

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How to register and apply for 2022 Request For Proposals through FLUXX

Go to United Way’s website: www.unitedwayatlanta.org
• Under Child Well-Being Mission Fund 2022 Requests for Proposals
• Click Apply Now – this link will take you to the FLUXX portal
You can read more about the funding opportunities for our four investment priorities - Strong Learners, College and Career Ready, Economic Stability, Brighter Future - and the COVID-19 Recovery to Rebuilding Capacity Building opportunities below.
Overview

College and Career Ready creates a clear path for youth to get through school and ready for either higher education or high growth careers.

GOAL: Improve college and career readiness by 10% or for 15,000 youth in communities with low Child Well-Being by 2027
Step 1: Create an Account

Welcome to the United Way of Greater Atlanta’s Grant Portal!

Login Now:
- Username
- Password
- Sign in
- Reset or create password

New to the Grants Portal?

Create Your Organizational Profile

In order to be considered for funding, the first step is for you to introduce yourself and tell us about your organization. Please click on the “Create an account now” button below to start. You will not be able to edit your profile after submission, so please ensure you have entered accurate information (including email address) when completing the registration form.

You will then receive an email notification from United Way with login information, which will give you access to the portal and our application forms. Should your funding application be successful, this portal will give you access to our reporting tools.
Step 2: Eligibility Questionnaire

Welcome to the United Way of Greater Atlanta's Grant Portal!

Eligibility Quiz

Is your organization a registered non-profit or a Government Agency?

Does your organization impact individuals in the UWGA 13 county region?

Does your organization have a Board of Advisors or accountable to a governing body?

[Submit]
Step 3: Registration

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### Organization Information

If your organization has an EIN number, enter it below and press 'search' to auto-fill your organization's information. Please review the populated information and ensure it is up-to-date.

- **EIN**: 
- **Organization Name**: 
- **Address 1**: 
- **Address 2**: 
- **City**: 
- **State**: 
- **Postal Code (Zip)**: 
- **Country**: 
- **Organization Email**: 
- **Organization Phone**: 

### Primary Contact Information

- **First Name**: 
- **Last Name**: 
- **Work Phone**: 
- **Work Phone Extension**: 
- **Email**: 

### CEO Contact Information

- **First Name**: 
- **Last Name**: 
- **Work Phone**: 
- **Work Phone Extension**: 
- **Email**:

[Submit Request]
Next Steps

• Registrations will be approved within **2 business days** of submission (*due to high-volume*)

• If registration is approved, applicants will receive an email from United Way with FLUXX log-in credentials and application instructions

• Instructions are available on the website to guide registrants through the application

• Applications will be open **January 12th through February 9th (11:59pm EST) – only for the Learning Loss grant**

• Questions? Please email us at granteecounty@unitedwayatlanta.org or send questions through our online contact form located on www.unitedwayatlanta.org
Learning Loss RFP

Lita Pardi
Grant Manager, Learning Loss Grant
Eligible Applicants: must meet at least one of the following criteria to apply

• Nonprofit organizations and state and local government agencies
  • Have their 501(c)(3) designation from the IRS
  • Be registered with the Georgia Secretary of State as a nonprofit
  • Have an independent governing body consisting of at least nine voting members
  • Maintain a non-discrimination policy or plan that does not discriminate on the basis of race, cultural heritage, religion, gender, national origin, age, marital status, sexual orientation, veteran status or status as a qualified disabled or handicapped individual.
• Demonstrate financial management
Eligible Applicants: must meet at least one of the following criteria to apply

• Nonprofit organizations with a fiscal agent who has 501(c)(3).

• Faith-based organizations are eligible to apply only if the program is open to all children and not just those who are of a particular faith, enrolled in a particular school or members of the applicant organization.
Youth participating within the awarded agency’s Learning Loss funded program MUST meet the following requirements:

a) Be a U.S. citizen or legal immigrant; AND

b) Be a Georgia resident; AND

c) Currently receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)/Food Stamps, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Medicaid or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or have a household income 300% or less of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL); AND

d) Be 5 - 17 years old; or Be 18 years old and currently enrolled in school (high school, GED program or equivalent, or post secondary institution) and will be enrolled in AND attend school during the upcoming academic year (Verification of school enrollment includes a letter from the school on official school letterhead): or Be 18 - 19 years old and have a dependent child AND be the custodial parent.
Ineligible Applicants

• Public schools and school districts, private and independent schools.
  • Because public schools and school districts are not eligible to apply for funding, they are not eligible to serve as fiscal agents for DFCS Learning Loss grant.

• Organizations whose purpose is to raise funds for public schools.

• For-profit organizations.

• Child-care centers serving only children under age 5.
Grant Details

• Grant award will be up to $50,000 per organization
• Anticipate awarding 50-60 grants
• Grant period is May 2022 – April 2023
• Grantees will submit a mid-year report in October 2022 and a year-end report in May 2023
Timeline

• Application open from January 12 – February 9
• Review process: mid-February – early April
• Final selection: mid to late-April
• Announcement: late April – early May
Program Components - Required

Applicants must implement at least one of the following required academic support strategies:

• Build reading skills
• Improve math fluency
• School transition
• Strengthen family engagement
• Learning acceleration
• Access to quality out-of-school time
• Contextualizing learning
Program Components - Preferred

Applicants will receive additional points in the scoring process for implementing either of these components:

• Promote Two-generation outcomes

• Secure Basic Needs
Target Populations

• System-involved youth (youth in child welfare and justice services)
• Young parents
• Young people of color in low-income families
• Young people in United Way’s low and very low Child Well-Being communities
• Youth with disabilities
• Youth who have special educational needs and/or supports
• Youth experiencing homelessness
• English language learners
• Migratory youth
Priority Considerations

Priority 1: Organizations not currently receiving DFCS Afterschool Care Program Funds (October 1, 2021 – September 30, 2022).

Priority 2: Organizations who have not received state or federal funds to support learning loss or additional educational and enrichment opportunities.

Priority 3: Organizations that implement youth educational programs in one of the following Georgia DFCS Regions: 2, 8, 9, 10 and/or 11.
Additional Resources

• **FAQs:** Addresses technical questions and is found on the College & Career Ready RFP webpage.

• **Application Guidance document:** Provides detailed information to guide applicants on answering each question in the Learning Loss grant application. Found within the updated Learning Loss grant RFP.
Questions?
Closing Reminders

- Review the updated Learning Loss RFP thoroughly for content specific information
- One application per agency
  - **Exception:** Any youth development organization that is serving as the fiscal agent for another organization.
- All applications submitted through FLUXX
- No incomplete or late submissions accepted
- Application Deadline is **11:59 p.m. on February 9, 2022**
- Orientation session recording & FLUXX instructions will be on the website by 1/21/22
- Send questions through our online contact form, [Send us a message - United Way of Greater Atlanta (unitedwayatlanta.org)](http://unitedwayatlanta.org) **[Last date to submit questions – noon on 2/8/22]**
Thank you!