



# A BOOST for Pennsylvania Youth

*PCCD's Building Opportunity through Out-of-School Time (BOOST) grants expand out-of-school time structured programming for at-risk school-age youth.*



## Why is it Important?

- ▶ Demand far exceeds availability— for every child enrolled in an afterschool program, **4 more were waiting for a spot.**
- ▶ Afterschool and out-of-school-time programs yield a **\$7 return for every \$1 invested**, providing high-impact opportunities for youth development and violence prevention.

## Program Funding

Last Year  
**\$11.5M**

25-26 Proposed  
**\$21.5M**

## Why the Increase?

PCCD received overwhelming response to the first BOOST grant cycle with nearly **300 applications requesting 6x the available funding.**

## Who is Eligible

- ▶ Community-Based or Nonprofit Organizations
- ▶ School Districts
- ▶ Career & Technical Schools
- ▶ Statewide Youth-Serving Nonprofit Organizations
- ▶ Libraries



These grants demonstrate the power of collaboration between **law enforcement, schools, community organizations & local leaders** to address challenges and build a stronger foundation for the future.

- Senator Dan Laughlin

## Learn More About Gun Violence Prevention Grants & Funding

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