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Spotlight: The Network Welcomes Capacity Building VISTA Lakeyia West



Lakeyia West joined the Network for Youth Success team in early July. As the Capacity Building VISTA, Lakeyia's role is to expand support to multiple regional afterschool networks across New York State. Additionally, Lakeyia will be assisting with our membership, professional development opportunities, and outreach for the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). She holds a Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies from the University of Georgia. During her four years at the University of Georgia, Lakeyia worked as Head Mentor organizing academic enrichment activities for afterschool programs, tutoring, and volunteer trainings for the East Athens Community Center. She also served Campus Kitchen, a student-powered hunger relief program, as a Delivery

Shift Leader by delivering meals to families in need.

If you would like to connect with Lakeyia, email her at capacity@networkforyouthsuccess.org.

Is your program working hard to offer quality services to your community? Let us know about it by filling out a [quick questionnaire](#) and we will spotlight your program in an upcoming newsletter.

Summer Activity Guide - FINAL Unit is Here!

We see youth development and summer learning providers across New York stepping up in innovative ways to support youth, families, and communities this summer. We have heard your concerns about how to maintain engagement throughout an atypical summer, and we understand your anxieties as you navigate these uncharted territories.

To support your hard work, we have been working alongside additional the 50 State Afterschool Network and the Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network to develop a suite of fun and engaging activities and challenges designed specifically to accommodate a COVID-19 summer. We hope you find this helpful!

Scroll down and you will find units 1-5 of the Summer Activity Guide. Scroll all the way down and you will find resources to help you implement the Activity Guides.



[Click here](#), for more information.

Best Practices for Successful Pitches

Find what you need to gain media attention for your program across multiple platforms. These resources offer tips for writing to and for newspapers; assembling news releases, pitch letters, and media kits; and planning events.

[Click here](#), for more information.

Policy Corner: Resources for Afterschool Providers Reaching Out to School Leaders about Reopening

Your afterschool, summer, and expanded learning programs are an essential part of recovery and will be more important than ever during the unpredictable school year ahead. As New York has released guidance for the upcoming school year, principals and local leaders will drive decisions about how schools reopen and how they work with their afterschool partners. Collaboration between out-of-school time and in-school time is more important than ever.

We want to be sure families and schools are aware of the different ways your program can help during this crisis - and engage them in supporting you. We have [updated resources](#) on our "Reaching out about Reopening" page to help you show school leaders how they benefit from working with afterschool providers and how much families rely on your program.



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