Public Notice of Grant Application

21ST CENTURY COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTERS PROGRAM

Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Georgia will be applying for the 21st CCLC (Century Community Learning Center) Grant. This grant is applicable to High School (Real Life @ the Teen Center -After School Enrichment for Teens Program).

Background

The 21st Century Community Learning Centers (CCLC) Program, authorized under the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), received its first appropriation in 1996. The 21st CCLC Program funding has supported the development of community learning centers established by public schools, community-based organizations (CBOs), and private schools with the assistance of community partners. Federal and state laws guide the implementation of the 21st CCLC Program. The No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001 established the 21st CCLC Program and gave administrative responsibility to the states. Federal funds are appropriated through Georgia's annual budget. The NCLB also expands state and local accountability for student academic achievement and emphasizes the importance of adopting scientifically-based research practices.

A grant application will be submitted for Real Life @ The Teen Center program at the Elizabeth F. Correll Unit of the Boys & Girls Club of Southeast Georgia. The purpose of the 21st Century After School Enrichment for Teens program is to provide local flexibility in the establishment or expansion of community learning centers that provide students in grades 8-12 with academic enrichment opportunities. Activities are designed to complement students' regular academic program, career exploration, literacy and related educational development services for the families of these students, and a safe environment for students participating in the programs.

Application are due to the Georgia Department of Education by January 30, 2024. The completed application will be available for download on the club's website bgcsega.com.