

# Beyond School Walls

## PARTNERSHIP PROFILE

**Shared goal:** Provide student access to learning technology, Support youth during out-of-school time activities

**Description:** Beyond School Walls, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America's workplace mentoring program, offers employers a convenient means of bringing more volunteer opportunities directly to their employees. Youth from a local school are matched one-to-one with a professional from the corporate partner for the duration of the academic year. The students visit their mentors at the company's offices on at least a monthly basis to explore career opportunities, develop professional skills, and interact with

**Website URL:** [www.bbbs.org](http://www.bbbs.org)

**Lead organization partner:** There are currently over 340 partners nationally, including

**Kinds of organization:** Financial Intermediary, For-profit Company, School/School District

**Participant population:** Youth (Ages 14-17 or Grades 9-12), Youth (Ages 5-13 or Grades K-8)

**Youth development support targetted:** Out-of-School Time Academic Enrichment/Extended Learning, Relationship with a Caring Adult, Mentor, or Tutor, Whole Child/Positive Youth Development

**Primary funding source:** Corporate Sponsorship (including in-kind donations, matching gifts, volunteer program), Government Entity/Grant, Local Philanthropy

**Supporting document:** <http://brightspots.forumfyi.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Equipping-Tomorrows-Workforce-The-Case-for-Workplace->

## **SUPPORT DETAILS: INITIATIVE, PROGRAM, SERVICE**

**Timeframe:** Fall 2020 (Academic Year), Spring 2021 (Academic Year), Winter 2020 (Academic Year)

**Location:** Alabama, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan,

**Total capacity:** Served nearly 8,500 nationally last year across 53 agencies

**Health and safety:** Compliance with State/County/City guidance, Required masks for all--adults and youth--on site

### **How do you address inequity?**

Beyond School Walls exposes youth to professional workplace settings through one-to-one mentoring relationships.

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**Common agenda:** This element is EMERGING in our work.

**Continuous communication:** We are EXPLORING this element.

**Backbone support:** This element DOES NOT YET EXIST.

**Mutually reinforcing activities:** This element is EMERGING in our work.

**Shared measurement:** This element DOES NOT YET EXIST.