





# Best Buy Teen Tech Center REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Proposals will be evaluated and competitively ranked by a review committee from Best Buy and The Clubhouse Network, The Annenberg Foundation, and the Greater LA Education Foundation. The review committee may choose to conduct a site visit as part of the selection process. The overall comprehensiveness, quality, and clarity of the proposal will be reviewed. Please address each requirement below.

# Mission & Strategic Direction (500 word maximum)

Statement of Community-Based Organization's mission and strategic direction:

- 1. Describe how a Best Buy Teen Tech Center can help achieve your current and future objectives.
- 2. Describe how you expect your participation would contribute to the success of the Best Buy Teen Tech Center program, as well as serve as part of The Clubhouse Network.
- 3. Describe your interest and participation in the LA Community Impact hub community of practice and programming.
- 4. Describe how you could work collaboratively with other agencies as part of the Los Angeles Community Impact Hub.

# Support for Teens (500 word maximum)

- 1. Describe how your organization reaches and supports young people. Include number of youth served, related demographic data (e.g., ages served, gender mix, % on free and reduced price lunch program), hours of operation, and schedule of activities.
- 2. Specifically describe successful engagement with economically disadvantaged and diverse populations.
- 3. Provide a brief overview of the programs you currently offer to youth.
- 4. Describe how a Best Buy Teen Tech Center would support the development of youth at your organization.
- 5. Describe leadership opportunities for youth within your organization, as well as the role of youth in planning and implementing programs and activities.
- 6. Describe how your organization supported teen participants during and through the COVID 19 pandemic, including any relevant data your organization may have.

# Program Information & Commitment to Learning Approach (500 word maximum)

- 1. Describe experience with informal learning environments, or willingness to engage your organization in new learning approaches.
- 2. Describe your experience with using technology as a learning tool.
- 3. Describe your plan for staffing the Best Buy Teen Tech Center. (Experience of existing staff or selection criteria for the Coordinator)
- 4. Give examples of prior experience with program evaluation.
- 5. What are the primary metrics that you track for your current programs? How do you monitor data and track key performance indicators?
- 6. Do you track specific subgroups of students (for example system involved youth, students experiencing homelessness, or students learning English)?







## **Operational Infrastructure (500 word maximum)**

- 1. Describe the proposed Best Buy Teen Tech Center location and space. Explain how you plan to pay for any construction costs or facility renovation required.
- 2. Give examples of how your organization utilizes technology in your operations including infrastructure and ongoing support.
- 3. Describe planned or existing security infrastructure for a Best Buy Teen Tech Center.

#### Community Relations & Sustainability (500 word maximum)

- 1. Describe your organization's commitment to inclusion, diversity, and equity. Provide percentages of your Board of Directors, executive leadership, and senior level management who are Black, Indigenous, or People of Color.
- 2. Describe your volunteerism program.
- 3. Describe your organization's support and reputation in the community and how you plan to maintain positive visibility of the program.
- 4. Give examples of collaboration with organizations in the community.
- 5. Describe how you would develop financial and community support to help sustain the Best Buy Teen Tech Center beyond the initial funding period.

## **REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS:**

## **Organizational Information**

- 1. Cover letter that includes signatures of authorizing officials and the Executive Director.
- 2. Resumes and/or biographies of current key staff that will be working on this project, including the executive director and proposed Teen Tech Center Coordinator (if applicable).
- 3. Photos of the proposed location and layout for the Teen Tech Center.
- 4. Three letters of recommendation that support your collaborative efforts in the community.
- 5. List of organization's Board of Directors, if applicable.
- 6. List of major funders and any funding that was received from Best Buy previously.

#### **Budget Information**

- 1. Organizational operating budget for two years.
- 2. Most recent financial statement, audited if available.
- 3. Documentation of current tax-exempt status.

#### **PROPOSAL REQUIREMENTS:**

Proposal must be submitted no later than **5:00 p.m. PST** on **Friday, June 23, 2023**. Proposals must be submitted electronically via Google Forms.

**Contingent Notification Date:** August 21 to August 25, 2023. **Additional Information:** corporate.bestbuy.com/teen-tech-centers