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Subject: [EXTERNAL] 2024 Learn Loss Grant Update

Dear Garnett Johnson,

Thank you for applying for the FY24 Learning Loss Grant, a program offered by United Way of Greater Atlanta and Georgia's Division of Family and Children Services. The review committee has reviewed your 2024 Learning Loss application (**R-202401-11270**) and we are pleased to inform you that **Augusta Richmond County Juvenile Court** has been selected to receive a grant award of **\$50,000.00** for the **Thrive Program** for the grant period May 1, 2024 – April 30, 2025. Next steps in the award process have been outlined below:

1. Join us on **Thursday, May 2 at 10:30am** for the **Learning Loss Grant Award Orientation webinar**, which will provide additional information about next steps and grant requirements. **Zoom link:** <https://uwga-org.zoom.us/j/94430826419?pwd=UjZLZkVzZkR3aHRsRXZEZlc2SjJ5QT09>.
2. **Complete the FY24 Learning Loss Grant Funds Release Agreement via DocuSign by May 9. Organizations are encouraged to wait until after attending the May 2 orientation session before completing this form!**

This form will ask you to provide and confirm the following:

- Two unique organization contacts. For smaller organizations, this may mean listing a board chair. We will only reach out to contacts you list as a back-up contact in the event you become unresponsive.
 - Confirmation that your organization understands the grant requirements. Organizations must verify youth eligibility and secure a completed [DFCS Youth Participant Eligibility Form](#) for each youth benefiting from Learning Loss funding by the end of the grant period.
 - Projected number of youth served **through the Learning Loss grant.**
 - Confirmation of your RBA metrics
 - Technical assistance interests and needs
 - Agree to funds release process for Learning Loss grant.
3. **Complete the Required Organization Profile Updates in FLUXX by May 9.**

All new grant recipients are required to provide the following information in your FLUXX Grants Management Portal:

- Upload your organization's most recent 990
- Complete your Banking Information and upload a Voided Check
- Answer: Does an unaffiliated, licensed CPA perform an audit, review, or compilation of the agency's financial statements based on the requirements of the United Way?

Use your existing FLUXX log-in credentials to log-in to the FLUXX Portal: <https://uwga.fluxx.io/>

- Once you log in, click on the Organization (1) tab on the left side of the screen.
- Then select EDIT at the top right of the screen, be sure to:
 - Upload a copy of your most recent FORM 990
 - Complete your Banking Information and upload a Voided Check
 - Answer: Does an unaffiliated, licensed CPA perform an audit, review, or compilation of the agency's financial statements based on the requirements of the United Way?

4. **Payments**

United Way will release your first grant payment by **May 31st** after successful completion of the Learning Loss Grant Funds Release Agreement and FLUXX organizational profile updates. The remaining payments are contingent upon execution of the Grant MOU.

5. **Execution of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)**

- United Way will send your organization an MOU, which serves as the official grant contract. This will be sent electronically through DocuSign. ***By signing the Learning Loss Grant Funds Release Agreement and MOU, this is documentation that your organization has committed to securing DFCS Youth Participation Eligibility Forms and supplemental documentation for each program participant. If you are unable to secure the DFCS Youth Participation Eligibility forms, then you will have to return the full grant award to United Way. We cannot accept partial grant awards from Learning Loss grant recipients.***

6. **Technical Assistance (Virtual)**

Throughout the grant period, we will be offering a series of technical assistance opportunities virtually via Zoom meetings. Current scheduled opportunities include:

- Data Security Training with Pro Bono Partnership of Atlanta on **May 30 at 10-11:30am** – this session is aimed at helping you think through how you will securely store the DFCS Youth Participation Eligibility Forms.
- Legal Aspects of Collaboration with Pro Bono Partnership of Atlanta on **August 22 at 10am-noon** – this session will help you consider potential partnership risks and when to implement MOUs with program partners.

Additional opportunities will include a 10-month group coaching cohort (space is limited) and webinars on Georgia Afterschool and Youth Development (ASYD) quality standards, student & parent engagement strategies, building relationships with schools, the What Works Clearinghouse, the Science of Reading and more. Please stay tuned for details.

For your convenience, we will be storing key grant documents, including the grant orientation, [in this folder](#) throughout the grant period.

Please reach out to learningloss@unitedwayatlanta.org with any questions about the Learning Loss grant.

We look forward to seeing you on **Thursday, May 2 at 10:30am** for our Grant Award Orientation webinar.

Sincerely,

Michele Jacobs

Associate VP, College and Career Ready

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