



EXPANDED LEARNING SERVICES PROPOSAL

Camino Nuevo Charter Academy
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WOODCRAFT RANGERS
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Mind, Body, Spirit and Service

“First find yourself, then be yourself without fear.”

Ernest Thompson Seton, Founder

In 1922, when Woodcraft Rangers first opened its doors to Los Angeles youth it welcomed all interested participants. They were embraced with the belief that every child is innately good, deserves the opportunity to realize their full potential, and that youth should be active participants in defining their own paths.

Through the Woodcraft Way, a young person develops a holistic sense of self through the cultivation of body, body, spirit, and service. Believing that maturity, not scholarship, is the first aim of education, the Woodcraft Way builds character and equips youth with new skills and knowledge, strength and resiliency, a deeper understanding of their place in the world, and a greater commitment to their community.

Our Programs | Body, Mind, Spirit and Service

Experience matters. For 100 years, Woodcraft Rangers has been at the forefront of expanded learning opportunities exclusively in the Greater Los Angeles area. Believing that communities themselves are best equipped to determine their own needs, in the 1950s Woodcraft Rangers identified the need for parent participation and created neighborhood advisory boards to complement its city-wide neighborhood programs. In the 1960s, we developed pre-delinquent youth development and work training programs in response to President Johnson’s “War on Poverty”. In the 1980s, our reach expanded with the creation of our Youth Employment Education program. Since 1991, Woodcraft Rangers has successfully managed ASES, supplemental, 21st CCLC and ASSETs grants, and now ELO-P grants.

Woodcraft is a leader by all standards. Our long-standing service has enabled us to impact the lives of 5 generations of young Angelenos, ranging in age from 4 to 18 years. Our longevity is evidence that we have always been responsive to the changing needs of our communities, and we continue to build and adapt to the evolving issues facing our youth.

Finally, we have always believed that youth development mentors should reflect the communities we serve and have always actively recruited staff, now totaling over 800, from within those communities. This creates a more meaningful sense of belonging for students as well as a more authentic relationship with parents and community leaders.

Expanded Learning Programs

Each site is uniquely curated through a needs assessment that includes consultation with school leadership and student interest surveys. Woodcraft Rangers Club Leaders and Site Coordinators curate activities to meet the specific needs of the students at each site and dovetail with the unique dynamics of each neighborhood and community.

Elementary and Middle School clubs are implemented in 6-week cycles and meet 5 days a week. For a program of 80 students, students will be able to choose two different clubs, from a total of eight each cycle (a MWF, and a TTh club) to engage them in diverse experiences and broaden their horizons. Students work on specific skills or techniques each time the club meets and may work toward skill mastery by continuing clubs in multiple cycles. Clubs hold events at the end of each cycle to celebrate their accomplishments and share them publicly.

Elementary school youth are given multiple opportunities to choose from a wide range of program offerings. Each 6-weeks youth are surveyed on club preferences and their input informs subsequent 6-week session offerings. Youth are empowered to create their club rules and agreements and hold each other accountable with guidance from staff members.



Our Expanded Learning Programs include Dual Language Enrichment, Arts & Media, Sports, STEM, Youth Leadership, and Health & Wellness.

Arts & Media

We recognize the importance of art in all forms as an expression of culture, identity and individuality. Performing arts offerings include modern dance, classical dance and baile folklórico, mariachi, drum line, guitar, keyboard, drama, color guard, cheer and drill. We extend to the arts to vocational options which include cosmetology, graphic design, and arts management. Again, Woodcraft Club Leaders craft programs specific to the students at each site to ensure that opportunities remain relevant and students stay engaged.

STEM

From robotics to gardening - regardless of subject – all opportunities integrate lessons in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. In this way, students intuitively learn that STEM concepts influence everything they do and experience in the world. This unique approach distinguishes Woodcraft from other afterschool programs. We actively integrate arts and STEM in a wide array of activities and intentionally create programs that are environmentally responsible, including the strategic use and re-use of materials. In alignment with our naturalist roots, many Woodcraft Rangers science activities teach students about the environmentally and responsible application of science and technology. For example, in lessons that focus on alternative energy, students build solar cars, hydro cars, and hover crafts, integrating earth sciences, physics and engineering. Other popular STEM programs include VR, 3D printing, coding cyber security and robotics.

Sports and Play

We believe that when properly implemented, structured sports and guided play programs have positive impact on a child's physical, social and emotional wellness, and when every child is included and encouraged, the tide of equity and inclusiveness rises for all. We also believe children should be given the opportunity to explore many options, so our sports programs include a wide range of popular and non-traditional offerings, including basketball, bicycling, lacrosse, martial arts, rugby, soccer, swimming, tennis, volleyball, and yoga, and are targeted to all abilities and genders.

Youth Leadership

Woodcraft's Youth Leadership Program focuses on guiding and empowering young leaders with a belief that youth should shape the world they will inherit. Youth Leadership at Woodcraft Rangers is a program in itself and is also reflected in our youth-choice, youth-driven, youth-led philosophy.

Dual Language Enrichment

Our Dual Language Enrichment programs make English, Spanish, Armenian, and Mandarin Chinese an everyday part of learning and play. Our full immersion Armenian Language Club is just one example - where academic support and all activities are conducted in Armenian and English. This program has empowered first generation American Armenian speakers with the ability to learn English and has exposed older youth to their native tongue. Similar clubs exist for Spanish and Mandarin Chinese languages, and are led by experienced, bilingual staff.

Summer Learning and Intercessional Program (Supplemental and ELO-P)

Summer Learning programs are enriching to students and mitigate summer learning loss. Woodcraft's commitment to accessibility also means parents gain the ability to continue employment without disruption, leading to economic stability. Within a 7-week period in the summer months, for up to 12 hours a day, participants receive academic reinforcement in addition to participation in sports, STEM, field trips, and arts experiences that are culturally relevant.



Residential Summer Camp

Our residential summer camp is comprised of week-long stays at Camp Woodcraft near Idyllwild. We believe that children learn through play and should have the opportunity to take developmentally appropriate risks that build resiliency and independence. This sense of autonomy is nurtured through mentoring by trained instructors and counselors who are equipped to support the social, emotional, and physical development of every child. In each week-long session, over 100 campers engage in nature-based activities designed to build and enhance confidence, conflict resolution skills, communication, teamwork, and connectedness to one another and to nature.



Proposed Scope of Work

The following program design and budget proposal allows Camino Nuevo Charter Academy to meet all of the designated requirements and guidelines of the State of California's ASES grant and Expanded Learning Opportunities Program, as well as the 21st CCLC grant programs to offer enrollment and provide access to qualifying TK- 8 grade students. Woodcraft Rangers will operate programs in compliance with all Federal and State funding guidelines and current public health guidelines.

183 Days of Full Comprehensive Afterschool Programming

- WR will deliver a high-quality afterschool learning program at 5 Camino Nuevo Charter Academy Schools.
- Programs will average 20:1 student staff ratio and 1:10 for TK/K.
- Programming will be provided from dismissal to 6pm every day school is in session.
- The Elementary program will be supervised by one dedicated full-time site coordinator and an assistant site coordinator, and a community liaison. The Middle School Program will be supervised by one dedicated part-time site coordinator. A year-round program manager and 1 quality assurance specialist will oversee Camino Nuevo Charter Academy Schools, along with neighboring schools.
- Program supplies and equipment are included for base clubs at each site.
- Entry to WR sports leagues and other club competitions including agency events (Transportation Costs included).
- WR is responsible for hiring, supervising and training of staff with wages competitive to market to ensure adequate recruitment and retention.
- WR provides its staff with access to the WR activity library and ongoing coaching and supports from a centralized learning team.
- WR will be responsible for community needs assessment, program design, activity development, training, recruitment, registration, equipment procurement and delivery and parent communication in partnership with Camino Nuevo Charter Academy and school leaders.
- WR will track all relevant data and ensure compliance for all grant funded programs.
- WR will be responsible for submitting all required California Department of Education reports, including, budget and expenditures, semi-annual attendance reports, CQI and Annual Outcomes Report, and all other reports as required. WR will also submit all reports to Camino Nuevo Charter Academy Schools for their records.
- Camino Nuevo Charter Academy contributes use of facilities, including Wi-Fi Usage, adequate storage, and associated cleaning costs for school sites.

16 Days of Intersessional Programs:

- WR will deliver high-quality intersessional programs at Camino Nuevo Charter Academy.
- WR will operate 16 intersessional days for the 24-25 School Year per requirement of the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program and 21st CCLC as determined by CNCA.
- Programming each day will be 9 hours, 5 days/week, for a total of 45 hours/week.
- Each site will be supervised by one dedicated full-time site coordinator and an assistant site coordinator at all times. A year-round program manager and quality assurance specialist will oversee all WR programs at Camino Nuevo Charter Academy along with other neighboring schools.
- Programs will average 20:1 student staff ratio and 1:10 for TK/K.
- WR will track all relevant data and ensure compliance for the ELO-P programs.
- All other details are the same as after school.



183 Days of Before School Programming

- WR will deliver a high-quality before-school program at 4 Camino Nuevo Charter Academy Schools (Burlington, Kayne Siart, Castellanos, and Cisneros).
- Students in the before-school program will participate in a curriculum that focuses on a variety of base enrichment which includes science, visual and performing arts, academic support and light physical activities.
- Programs will average 20:1 student-staff ratio and 1:10 for TK/K.
- Program hours are to be determined by the school site administrator.
- All other details are the same as after school.

Site	Number of students	One-Time Start-up	Total
Camino Nuevo Burlington	180	\$5,000	\$550,354.35
Camino Nuevo Burlington TK/K	40		
Camino Nuevo Kayne Siart	180	\$5,000	\$550,354.35
Camino Nuevo Kayne Siart TK/K	40		
Camino Nuevo Jose A. Castellanos	180	\$5,000	\$550,354.35
Camino Nuevo Jose A. Castellanos TK/K	40		
Camino Nuevo Eisner MS	60	\$5,000	\$169,961.43
Camino Nuevo Sandra Cisneros	180	\$5,000	\$550,354.35
Camino Nuevo Sandra Cisneros TK/K	40		
TOTAL	940	\$25,000	\$2,371,378.83

Total for 5 Schools (Before School, Afterschool and Intersessional Programs): **\$2,371,378.83**