MISSION & VISION

NCA’s mission is “to support and strengthen education for children, families and older adults, and advocate for the social, economic and the political well-being of Greater Clevelanders. NCA envisions a Cleveland where all people have equal access to resources to help them thrive.

IConnect improves social interaction by eliminating barriers for older adults who lack social ties, are isolated, and/or live alone. IConnect links older adults to culturally relevant experiences and activities as they join for socialization, fun and learning via telephone, digital device, or in-person at “pop-up” sites.

Programming takes place seven days a week and includes morning inspirations, exercise, BINGO, journey into jazz, bedtime stories, art classes, cooking classes, virtual travel, music, bible study, movies, and more.

IConnect’s Tech Concierge Team delivers digital tech trainings and guided support to help individuals overcome technology anxiety, strengthen digital skills, and develop confidence in utilizing technology for communication.

40+
ICONNECT PROGRAMS OFFERED EACH WEEK

502
OLDER ADULTS SERVED THROUGH ICONNECT

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2022 was another year of significant growth for NCA’s Partners for Student Success (P4SS) program. In the Fall of 2022, P4SS expanded to serve two new Cleveland Metropolitan School District (CMSD) high schools; Facing History New Tech and MC2STEM. This expansion prompted the creation of a new role at NCA that focuses on Career & College Readiness to help students explore local businesses and network and learn from local professionals in high-demand careers such as health care, safety & security, manufacturing & entrepreneurship. High school students participated in pitch challenges through the Young Entrepreneur Institute, attended field trips to area businesses and even participated in a youth makerspace program at a local farmers market where they earned profit from items they created!

2022 was the second year that the National Environmental Education Foundation funded NCA and Cuyahoga Valley National Park (CVNP) as one of seven Greening STEM partnerships of 21st CCLC afterschool programs and National Parks. Students traveled to CVNP four times throughout the year to plant and monitor trees to measure the effectiveness of vole deterrents.

P4SS serves 1,255 students in 2022.

NCA values its partnerships with community organizations including Advantage Cleveland, America SCORES, Cleveland Foundry, Cleveland Public Library, Cleveland Metroparks Youth Outdoors, Cuyahoga Valley National Park, DJ No Request, First Tee Cleveland, Food Strong, Holden Forest & Gardens, KultureKids, Lake Erie Council of Boy Scouts, MyCom, PACE Tumbling, Pure Image Photo Booth, Queen I Am, RollinBuckeyez, US Shuai Chiao Kung Fu Academy, and Young Entrepreneur Institute.

Church partners included, St. Paul’s AME and Fellowship Missionary Baptist.
In addition to serving schools, P4SS also includes weekly photography and STEAM programs at City of Cleveland Neighborhood Resource & Recreation Centers throughout the school year. In the summer, NCA provides a 10-week Next Generation Leadership (NGL) program for youth aged 12-16. The NGL program prepares youth for jobs and careers, guides them through the completion of a community service project, and reduces summer learning loss with hands-on engaging activities.

In our 3rd year, NCA’s Community Connector Corps had 26 members serving with: America SCORES Cleveland, Cleveland Play House, Community Partnership on Aging, Lake Erie Ink, IConnect, Lexington Bell Community Center, Minds Matter Cleveland, Promise Academy, and P4SS.

AmeriCorps Impact

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78% percentage of youth served that showed increase in academic engagement or social emotional skills

76% percentage of older adults served that showed increase in social support or improved capacity for independence.

AmeriCorps Members

26 members served in the program. 35% are aged 50+

25% of members returned from previous year

Age range of members
NPA “back-office services” have supported community-based organizations (CBO) since 2012 with professional high-quality services at competitive rates. NPA’s business infrastructure (finance, IT, HR, grant writing) can accommodate each client’s unique needs and enables nonprofits to operate more effectively and efficiently. NCA serves as Fiscal Sponsor of developing entities to provide oversight, management, development assistance, and strategic guidance. Clients include America Scores Cleveland, Cleveland Public Library Foundation, Cleveland VOTES, CREW, Friends of Wade Park, Jones Road Family Development, Morgan Conservancy, TechCade, Ohio Transformation Fund and unBail.

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