



## Sprockets Database: MSP Expansion Project

Sprockets is a strong network of after-school and summer programs for young people in Saint Paul. It's a collaboration of community organizations, the City of Saint Paul and Saint Paul Public Schools. In 2013, Sprockets will partner with the Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board to expand OST data collection efforts across the river. This is a first step to telling Minneapolis' OST story while continuing to build on a strong data foundation in Saint Paul.

### Youth Coordinating Board Mission

The Minneapolis Youth Coordinating Board promotes the health, safety, education and overall development of Minneapolis youth.

### Sprockets Mission

Sprockets improves the quality, availability and effectiveness of out-of-school time learning for all youth in Saint Paul through the committed, collaborative and innovative efforts of community organizations, government, schools and other partners.

**BACKGROUND:** The Sprockets Database is a cross-agency online management information system designed to collect information citywide on out-of-school time as well as improve organizations' abilities to track and use data in their programs.

**GOAL:** Advance reliable information in the local OST field by bringing up to 15 Minneapolis/Saint Paul organizations online with the database currently used by Sprockets.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Organizations that **offer youth programs in both Minneapolis and Saint Paul.**

All interested organizations are encouraged to apply; preference will be given to those that meet the following criteria:

- Youthprise grantees
- Nonprofit 501(c)(3) status
- Currently using the Youth Program Quality Assessment (YPQA) tool

### NEXT STEPS:

- Learn more from an optional webinar on October 15 from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. Register at <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/752917616>
- Submit a Letter of Interest signed by your Executive Director (or equivalent) by **October 19, 2012** to Megan Chmielewski at [Megan.Chmielewski@wilder.org](mailto:Megan.Chmielewski@wilder.org)
  - Tell us about your organization – your mission, how many youth you serve, how many staff you have, what types of programs you run – as well as how you currently track data and why you want to be part of the Sprockets Database MSP expansion project

**SELECTION PROCESS:** Selected agencies will be notified by October 26, 2012

**Successful Youth. Quality Programs. That's Sprockets.**

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