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Help Your Local Afterschool Program Win a Prize!

Bright House Networks Afterschool Facebook Photo Contest Open for Voting

Last month, more than 7,500 afterschool programs participated in *Lights On Afterschool*, the only nationwide rally for afterschool. Now those programs have an opportunity to win cash awards of up to \$2,000, and they need help from the public.

For the second year in a row, Bright House Networks and the Afterschool Alliance are holding a photo contest on the [Bright House Networks Facebook Contest page](#). Programs have posted photos of afterschool activities that engage and inspire youth on the page. Now the public is invited to visit the page and vote for their favorites. Voting is open until November 15.

The photos that receive the most votes from visitors to the page will win cash awards or other prizes. One afterschool program will receive \$2,000, three programs will receive \$1,000, and five additional programs will receive special prizes from their [Statewide Afterschool Network](#). The special prizes range from program supplies to free staff training.

The Afterschool Alliance organized the first *Lights On Afterschool* in 2000, to shine a light on the ways that afterschool program keep kids safe, inspire them to learn and help working families. This year, a diverse group of more than 200 national, state and local organizations have signed on as national partners for *Lights On Afterschool*, including the Empire State Building, which was lit up in yellow on October 17 to celebrate the event.

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The Afterschool Alliance is a nonprofit public awareness and advocacy organization working to ensure that all children and youth have access to quality afterschool programs. More information is available at www.afterschoolalliance.org.

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