Media Alert
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Results from Statewide Teen Survey to be Released at
Lights On Afterschool Event in Atlanta Thursday

Interactive Event at VOX ATL Will Showcase Youth Leadership and Views
on 2022 Election, Mental Health, Out-of-School-Time Activities

Youth leadership and views will be the focus of a Lights On Afterschool event Thursday, organized by VOX ATL. The event, beginning at 5:30 pm, will include the release of data from a survey of more than 500 teens across Georgia exploring their wants and needs, where they feel valued, how they communicate, and how they spend their out-of-school time.

The event also will feature digital media self-expression stations focused on the 2022 election and voting, as well as mental health. It is co-hosted by VOX ATL teens and adult staff.

The Lights On Afterschool event, which is open to media, will be:

When: Thursday, October 20, 5:30 – 7 pm (remarks begin at approximately 6:10 pm)
Where: International Tower, Peachtree Center, 229 Peachtree St. NE, Suite 725, Atlanta,
GA 30303 (directions online at voxatl.org/contact)
What: Statewide teen survey results, digital teen self-expression stations, and more
Why: Lights On Afterschool includes thousands of events across this country this month to rally for the afterschool programs that keep kids safe; inspire them to learn, lead and succeed; and give working families peace of mind.

People also can follow the event on VOX ATL’s Instagram story, with more information at voxatl.org/vox-teen-survey.
Organized by the Afterschool Alliance, Lights On Afterschool is the only national rally for afterschool. Thousands of events around the country this year will showcase the many ways afterschool programs support student well-being, build their life skills and workforce readiness, amplify their voices, provide them with opportunities for hands-on STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) learning, and help them forge successful futures. The Afterschool Alliance organizes Lights On Afterschool to underscore the need to invest in afterschool programs, which play an important role in the lives of children, families, and communities.

VOX ATL’s mission is to lead a youth-voice movement where teens from diverse backgrounds create a stronger, more equitable community through leadership and uncensored self-expression. Their vision is a culture where teens are creating, leading, and thriving, and they have been Atlanta’s home for uncensored teen publishing and self-expression since 1993.