

# Afterschool programs in the time of COVID-19



The following survey results reflect the responses of afterschool programs in 49 states plus the District of Columbia during the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Afterschool Alliance continues to gather information, stories, and perspectives from programs as they adjust to the new environment. Results are based on 358 responses collected through a national online survey conducted by the Afterschool Alliance between March 31 - April 7, 2020.

## At the time of the poll...

**3 in 4**

programs are not operating as usual, and another

**12%**

expect to cease operations.

**OPEN?**

Programs are stepping in to help where they can.



**16%**

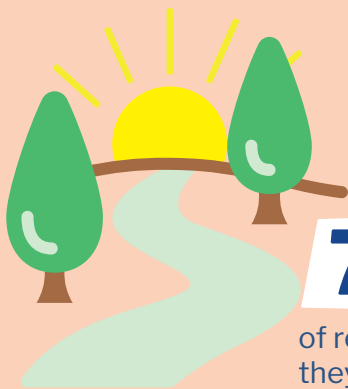
of respondents say that they are providing care for children of essential workers.

**78%**

of respondents are serving youth remotely / finding alternate ways to stay connected.

**37%**

of respondents say that they are serving as a meals site or distributing other resources to families.



Programs are also planning for the future.

**73%**

of respondents say that they are engaging staff in remote professional development and training to prepare for future operations.

However, most programs are not sure they will be able to survive this crisis, which would leave a serious gap in supports for youth and working families just when they need the help most.

**75%**

of respondents are either at risk of losing staff or at risk of closing due to funding losses from COVID-19.

Learn more about our resources, examples of effective guidance for programs, and other issues afterschool programs might want to consider at <http://3to6.co/covid>.