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Welcome!

Below are two of the organizations who have recently received grants from the Leo Buscaglia Foundation.

[The Children's Nature Institute Network](#)

[National Foster Youth Action](#)

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact our Executive Director, Jeff Jordan, at info@LeoBuscaglia.org

The Children's Nature Institute

The Children's Nature Institute (CNI) mission is to educate children, families and communities through interactive experiences with nature and to inspire a sense of respect and responsibility for the natural environment. Through their programs, children have the opportunity to discover joys of nature through firsthand experience while being the agents of bringing green spaces into their urban environment.

Since 1985, CNI has provided high-quality environmental education programs to more than a quarter of a million children, their parents and teachers throughout the greater Los Angeles area. CNI provides innovative, hands-on experimental learning programs specifically designed for young children during their most impressionable years.

Young children in Los Angeles, particularly poor, special needs, inner-city and/or minority children are suffering from insufficient exposure to science and nature. Studies have shown that brief exposure to natural environments can also change student's behavior towards the environment and parents reported that children who participated in a one-week outdoor education program reported that their children engaged in more positive environmental behavior such as recycling.

[The Children's Nature Institute](#)

National Foster Youth Action Network

Founded in 2007, **National Foster Youth Action Network** goal is to improve the lives of foster youth through the acquisition of key developmental assets that will enhance their ability to transition successfully to adulthood and lead productive lives.

The Action Network helps foster youth-led groups learn the skills to engage directly with the public and with policymakers and to present their recommendations for improved state foster care policies. In Oregon, they made their voices heard in the state capitol with their testimony and conversations with legislators to help the passage of a new law that will extend health care benefits to foster youth until the age of 21. This changed benefited 14,000 foster youth in Oregon.

The Action Network is creating positive, personal change in individuals while building a national foster care youth-led movement for a meaningful systems reform, which ultimately will benefit the 500,000 foster youth in the United States of whom 60% are of color and 100% are low-income.

[National Foster Youth Action Network](#)

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