The Power of Discovery: STEM² Initiative is facilitated by the California AfterSchool Network in partnership with the California STEM Learning Network to increase high-quality STEM learning opportunities to youth in expanded learning programs in nearly 20 California counties.

Five Regional Innovation Support Providers have been established to provide support to over 1,400 programs, over 1/3 of California’s publicly funded after school programs.

- **Brokering resources and professional development**
  - Provide targeted technical assistance to expanded learning programs. Including appropriate materials and professional development in support of comprehensive STEM program plans.

- **Building regional capacity through partnerships**
  - Identify and strategically facilitate ongoing opportunities for key stakeholders/partners to enhance expanded STEM learning opportunities consistent with their organizational goals, and the goals of the Power of Discovery: STEM².

- **Creating a culture of peer learning and continuous improvement**
  - Facilitating on-going, local collaboration, and peer learning by convening local communities of practice. Incorporating reflection, assessment, improvement, and K-12 partnership efforts into STEM program plans at the site and program levels.

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