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**MARJORIE MURAT NAMED NEW CEO OF DALLAS AFTERSCHOOL -
*After a National Search, the Best Choice was a Leader from within the Agency***

Dallas, Texas (April 21, 2022) - Dallas Afterschool, a nonprofit organization known for leveling the playing field for children of all races and economic backgrounds by ensuring access to safe, high quality Out-of-School Time programming, announced its new CEO today. **Marjorie Murat**, who has served as the organization's Vice President of Program Services for the past two years, will succeed **Christina K. Hanger** as the organization's next CEO.

Bill Morrison, Board Chair of the fifteen-year-old nonprofit says, "After months of a rigorous national search, we found the best candidate from within the agency. Building on her proven leadership during her tenure as Vice President of Program Services as well as her vast experience within the community, our Board unanimously agreed that Marjorie Murat should serve as the next CEO of Dallas Afterschool."

Murat, with over 25 years of experience serving the Dallas Community, says, "The work we do at Dallas Afterschool is transformational. I'm excited to lead the next chapter of our history and build upon all the great work of the past 15 years." She adds, "I feel like I've come full circle. As a Dallas Afterschool partner, board member, and organizational leader, I feel I have a unique understanding of our work and its impact on students, families, and the Out-of-School Time sector. I look forward to working to create a new future for Dallas Afterschool while continuing our work to level the playing field for students in Dallas."

Murat is not alone in her enthusiasm. **Susan Hoff**, Chief Strategy & Impact Officer of the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas, says, "Dallas Afterschool plays such a critical role in the education and youth development sector in our community. I am absolutely thrilled to learn that Marjorie Murat, a longtime advocate and leader in this field, is taking on this critical role. Her leadership and support of the Out-of-School Time ecosystem in Dallas is vital to those that need it the most, and I expect her leadership will result in an even greater impact for our kids, families, and youth serving organizations."

Murat will officially assume leadership of Dallas Afterschool effective May 1, 2022.

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Dallas Afterschool is a nonprofit organization that levels the playing field for children of all races and economic backgrounds by increasing the quality and availability of safe, high quality Out-of-School Time (OST) programming in Dallas County. Dallas Afterschool supports the OST sector, provides vital support, training, and resources to providers and staff, and helps parents find afterschool programs that meet their needs. More information is available at www.dallasafterschool.org.