ANNUAL REPORT





A LETTER FROM THE CEO



Michael Johnson, CEO Boys & Girls Club of Dane County

Dear Community Friends & Supporters,

It has been another amazing year at the Boys & Girls Club—because of you! We want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and tell you how your investment benefits more than 5,500 young people in Dane County.

Olivia Smith grew up in Milwaukee with neither parent in her household, surrounded by drugs and bad influences. Moving from school to school when she was young, Olivia didn't have resources like the Boys & Girls Club to help guide her to be successful. Now with two kids of her own, she wanted a better life for her children Layna and Hope, who started to exhibit behavior problems. Faced with many obstacles, Olivia quickly realized she needed to get out of Milwaukee to provide better opportunities for her children. So she decided to move in with a friend in Madison and enrolled her two kids at the Boys & Girls Club.

Because of your support, young people like Hope are on their way to graduating high school. For her, the road has been an uphill battle.

"My father left my sibling and me at a very young age. Since I am the oldest of the household, I feel like it is my responsibility to protect my family. Living in Milwaukee was a real struggle. We faced danger many times, where I almostwas stabbed and robbed. Even walking to school was terrifying as I had my little sister with me every day. Now living in Madison and attending the Boys & Girls Club, I feel safe. I get a lot of support and guidance from the staff at the Club. Thanks to your support and the Boys & Girls Club, I'm closer to reaching my goals of graduating high school and attending college," said Hope.

With your continued generosity, the Boys & Girls Club can continue to inspire young people like Hope to fulfill their dreams and stay on course for a successful future.

Because of you, we have accomplished many more great things this year:

- 99% of our seniors in our college-prep program graduated and 82% are in college this semester
- 205 high school teens and college students participated in paid internships this summer
- We renovated our Taft Club to encompass a new STEM Lab, which will introduce kids to new careers in this field
- We launched the only Community Fitness Center in South Madison at our Taft Club and are preparing to do the same at Allied
- We served over 40,000 healthy meals, ensuring no kids go hungry at night
- We won the Boys & Girls Clubs of America 2015 Gateway Impact Award

None of this would be possible without generous supporters like you!

With Warmest Regards,

Michael Johnson, CEO Boys & Girls Club of Dane County



OUR MISSION

To be the leader in youth development programs by developing partnerships to produce positive outcomes for young people, families and communities.

OUR VISION

To inspire and empower all young people, especially those who need us the

most to reach their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring adults.

OUR VALUES

Accountability Compassion Innovation Integrity Inspiration Respect

OUR STRATIGIC PRIORITIES

- Create World Class Experiences for 10,000 Young People
- 2 Ensure the Young People We Serve Reflect the Population Who Need Us the Most with More Sites and More Hours
- Foster and Leverage Value-Added Partnerships to Connect Members to Meaningful Opportunities
- Increase and Diversify Our Resources and Engage Our Donors to Ensure our Members' Needs are Being Met
- Create Responsible Infrastructure Growth to Ensure Members Have Needed Resources

OUR BIG HAIRY AUDACIOUS GOAL

We will transform the lives of 10,000 young people annually by 2018 with 90% of our active members on track to graduate from high school and be prepared for post-secondary opportunities

ABOUT US

CLUB LOCATIONS

Boys & Girls Club Administrative Office

1818 W. Beltline Hwy Madison Wisconsin 53713

Taft Street Location 2001 Taft Street Madison, Wisconsin 53713 Allied Family Center 4619 Jenewein Road Madison, Wisconsin 53711

PROGRAM SATELLITE SITES

Cherokee Heights Middle School James C. Wright Middle School East High School Lafollette High School Memorial High School Verona Area High School West High School

CLUB INFORMATION

Yearly Membership \$10
Members 5500+
Employees 100+
Board Members 27
Program Partners 125+



ACCOMPLISHMENTS BECAUSE OF YOU...



Transforming Lives: High School Student Receives \$100,000 Scholarship for College

Thanks to the generosity of John and Jo Ellen McKenzie, Al Toon and Steve and Aaron Olsen, 3 high school students were awarded \$115,000 in scholarship funds. The third place finalist received \$5,000, the second place finalist received \$10,000 and the first place finalist was awarded \$100,000. Cristhabel Martinez currently works two jobs to help support her family due to both of her parents suffering from major illnesses. "This is really going to open up a lot of opportunities in the future for my family, especially my younger sister, and I'll be able to set an example for her and be a role model," Martinez said. She plans to go to the University of Wisconsin-Madison and study social work, later becoming a lawyer.

Making Waves!

Thanks to the partnership of the Shelley Glover Foundation, the Boys & Girls Club of Dane County, the Irwin A. and Robert D. Goodman Foundation and Madison Parks, Goodman Pool had another successful summer swim program. By working together, the organizations have helped move barriers of transportation and cost to provide swim lessons to more racial and socioeconomic diverse groups of children. The program is designed to teach children to swim and to be safe and confident around water. Through this program, staff at Goodman Pool provided swim lessons to over 200 participants from the Boys & Girls Club of Dane County this summer.

Youth of the Year

This past January, BGCDC hosted its Youth of the Year Event. Youth of the Year is a Boys & Girls Club of America Program designed to showcase the best and brightest youth at each club, state and region has. Youth of the Year finalists are teens aged 14—18 with regular Club attendance for at least two years and must exhibit exemplary qualities in the area of Leadership, Character and Service, Academic Excellence and Healthy Lifestyles. Candidates complete an extensive application process including writing personal essays on his/her Club Experience, Vision for America's Youth and Personal Brand in addition to collecting letters of recommendation. This year's competition was a tough on. In the end, Cerxio Guerrero, a senior at West High School, was chosen as the winner among four other outstanding youth at this year's Youth of the Year Competition. Cerxio is a proud Latino, hoping to attend Edgewood College in the fall. He dreams of making a difference in his community through a career in the mental-health field, working with children and teenagers.

Exploring Careers: Behind the Scenes

Through our partnerships with Madison Public Schools, The Dane County Executive's Office and over 30 businesses, over 200 high school teens and college enrolled students had the opportunity to earn wages and experience through summer internships and career exposure within our community. We are thankful to companies such as BMO Harris Bank, Culvers, CUNA Mutual Group, Dane County Government, Epic, Madison Museum of Contemporary Art, UW Athletics, UW Hospitals and Clinics, Wegner CPAs, Wipfli and more.

Take Me Out to the Ballgame...Badges for Baseball

Boys & Girls Club of Dane County celebrated our fourth year of Badges for baseball through the Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation. Badges for Baseball was created in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Justice as a juvenile crime prevention initiative. It's a simple concept: pair cops and kids together to play and learn. BGCDC has worked to enhance the relationship between law enforcement and kids in Dane County using baseball as the hook. Law enforcement officers become guest coaches/instructors, using team sports and our Healthy Choices Healthy Children curriculum to teach important lessons about teamwork, communication, respect, leadership that can be used both on and off the field. In addition to our Summer Program, members of Badges for Baseball participated in a college day experience. This one-day event provided BGDCD members with their first exposure to college life and all that it has to offer. Important elements of each college day include: a tour on campus; interaction with studentathletes, educational and athletic activities; guestspeakers and special presentations.

Gardening 1:01

Starting in 2011, BGCDC has partnered with UW Slow Foods focusing on exposing members to healthier lifestyles. This past year UW Slow Foods and the Club have partnered to put on composting lessons, sourced food from the gardens for teen cooking nights, planted a garden at the Club, and grew seedlings for the gardens. It's been a great program for our kids.

The Return of Lake Explorers

Lake Explorer Camp is a partnership program between the Clean Lakes Alliance, the Boys & Girls Club of Dane County, Wingra Boats and the generous support of Downtown Madison Rotary and the Wingra Boats' Duck Dash. The program was designed to increase understanding and appreciation of our lakes, and teach valuable lake recreation and investigation skills. Students investigated fish, biology, read topography maps, identified Lake Macroinvertebrates with a microscope and gained paddling, boating and fishing skills. Our second year of the Lake Explorer Camp also included an increase of bilingual instructors to accommodate our increate in Latino youth.

The Big Reveal: Our New Community and Teen Center

Through the gracious support of many donors we were able to transform the upper level of our Taft Street location into our new Community and Teen Center (CAT). Our new CAT center features an amazing STEM lab, study hall, fitness center and teen lounge space. We are so grateful for the many supporters who helped make this possible including American Family Insurance, Best Buy, Dean & St. Mary's, Hovde Foundation, J.H. Findorff & Son, Inc., John H. (Jack) Lussier, Karen & Craig Christianson, Kraft Lunchables, Specialized Electric, Strang, Inc. and Rhyme.



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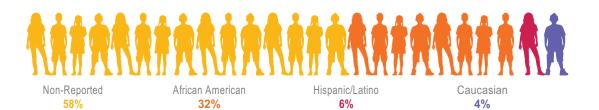
2015 Demographic Information - Serving Kids 7-18





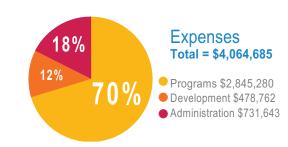
Club Based Membership 4,374

TOTAL MEMBERS 5,561



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