



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF DANE COUNTY**

GREAT FUTURES START HERE



*Celebrating over 22 years of serving
youth, families and communities*

A MESSAGE FROM **OUR PRESIDENT & CEO**



Dear Community Friend and Supporter,

WOW! This year has been exciting for the Boys & Girls Club of Dane County. Our Clubs are filled with youth ages 2.5 to 24 years of age. We have held in-person community events and started to prepare youth for skilled trades careers of the future. **Great Futures** indeed do **Start Here!**

Through **YOUR** generosity we supported our members, families, communities, and neighbors throughout Wisconsin by:

- Responding to community needs to provide services to 5,789 participants who received cleats, face masks, hand-sanitizer, Microban, meals-to-go, and holiday meals. A total of 9,870 community meals were served and we secured over 200,000 N95 facemask from the State of Wisconsin and distributed to more than 5,000 people and nonprofits who visited our Clubs to gain access to these items.
- Raising over \$350,000 for Vel Phillips Statue, making the statue the first of its kind in the country and received unanimous approval from the State of Wisconsin.

Through **YOUR** generosity we are making the future for youth even brighter by:

- Supporting 1,815 middle, high school and college members enrolled in our School based programs and over 1,300 enrolled in Club based programs.
- Installing a new solar system at the Allied Family Center. The 85-kilowatt solar system is projected to reduce our electricity consumption by approximately 50%. The Club received a \$25k grant from Solar for Good to help make the project a reality and a generous donor covered the installation cost.
- Ensuring the safety of our Club facilities with the installation of new floors throughout the entire building at the Allied Family Center, a new roof at the McKenzie Family Center in Sun Prairie and upgraded lighting at McKenzie Family Center in Sun Prairie and Allied Family Center.
- Incorporating a new McKenzie Regional Workforce non-profit board and increasing our Metro Board and committees with over 100 volunteers. This is BG CDC's largest volunteer engagement to date.
- Building the largest youth workforce center in the history of Boys & Girls Clubs of America. The McKenzie Regional Workforce Center, a state-of-the-art skilled trades and entrepreneurial center for youth, will open the summer of 2023.

Through our collective efforts, BG CDC and I, received the following recognitions: 2022 Dane County Climate Champions Award for the McKenzie Regional Workforce Center, 2022 Boys & Girls Clubs of America National Innovation Award, 2022 Finalist for Madison 365 Community Choice Award, 2022 In Business Magazine Executive of Year, 2022 AFP Professional of the Year Award and 2022 Martin Luther King Humanitarian Award to recognize our work and commitment to youth and families in the community.

At BG CDC, we work hard to change the lives of young people in a positive way. But there is still much to do to meet the ongoing needs of young people in our community. We need your ongoing financial support to continue providing youth with experiences and opportunities needed for future success.

On behalf of all of us at Boys and Girls Clubs of Dane County, our members, families, and community, we are incredibly grateful for your past and future monetary gifts. **THANK YOU!**

With Warmest Regards,

A stylized signature of Michael Johnson in white ink.

MICHAEL JOHNSON, MBA
PRESIDENT & CEO
BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF DANE COUNTY



CORE PROGRAM AREAS

CHARACTER & LEADERSHIP

Responsibility, Skills, Leadership, Work Ethic, Training, Readiness, Morality

HEALTH & WELLNESS

Life Skills, Mental Health, Happiness, Mindfulness, Nutrition, Movement, Healthy Habits

EDUCATION & CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Advancement Via Individual Determination/Teens of Promise, Digital Career Experience, College Ready Scholars, TOPS College Success, College Club, Summer Internships, Youth Leadership for Social Change

SPORTS & RECREATION

Teamwork, Relationships, Leadership Confidence, Physical Activity, Reduced Stress, Life Skills

THE ARTS

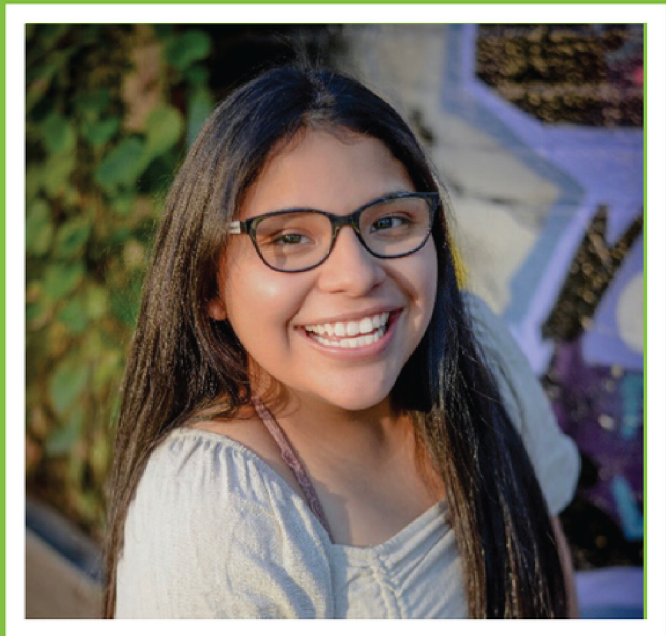
Creativity, Self-Expression, Individuality, Story Telling, Imagination, Style

EDUCATION & CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Trust, Relationships, Teamwork, Growth, Learning, Resources, Connection, Love

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YOUTH OF THE YEAR



DELIA ROMERO
CLASS OF 2022 - 2026
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
MADISON

Delia, a Class of 2022 graduate of AVID/TOPS program at LaFollete High School, has been a member of the Boys & Girls Clubs for five years. Delia has showcased a passion for youth voice and has dedicated her high school career to making sure her voice and others alike are heard. Currently, she serves as a youth advisor on a board in partnership with the Madison Police Department in order to share her perspective on relevant issues impacting our everyday lives. To Delia, it is important that youth are aware that their voice matters and can shape their communities. Participating in BG CDC programs opened up many opportunities and connected her to knowledgeable role models. Delia hopes to become a lawyer and is studying at the University of Wisconsin - Madison.

"Sincerely, I do not know where I would be without the support of AVID and BG CDC. I have met incredible people that I know I will continue to stay connected with after high school. The values and lessons that this program has taught me are ones I want to instill in younger generations. As a person, I have grown tremendously and cannot wait to see how these skills will continue to develop in the future. I hope that with my work in the future, I will be able to give back and support other students the way this program has supported me."

20TH ANNIVERSARY OF MOVE4BGC & WHITE PARTY FEATURING GLADYS KNIGHT

Boys and Girls Clubs of Dane County had the honor of hosting the 20th Annual MOVE4BGC (previously known as BIKE4BGC) with a day long historic celebration. The day started with the family friendly event, MOVE4BGC, that brought together participants to bike, run, and walk promoting healthy lifestyles while raising funds for BG CDC. Later in the day we put on a star-studded concert featuring the legendary artists After7 & Gladys Knight, followed by our biggest party of the year, The White Party featuring R&B Artists Dru Hill.

OUR IMPACT

- Hundreds of movers participated in MOVE4BGC
- Nearly 1,500 attendees came out to see Gladys Knight
- Over 500 guests attended the White Party
- The funds raised will provide new innovative programs for youth



BUILDING NEW PATHWAYS FOR SUCCESS AT THE **McKENZIE REGIONAL WORKFORCE CENTER**

Construction is underway! BG CDC and Madison Area Builders Association are on a path to addressing the shortage of trained skilled trades workers of the future. The new Center and Program will create opportunities for young adults to access resources, programming, and support systems that will mitigate achievement gaps, create economic opportunities, accelerate economic mobility and generate transformational change for families in South Central Wisconsin.

OUR IMPACT

- The National Association of Home Builders announced their partnership with Boys & Girls Clubs of America. This relationship has grown from the McKenzie Regional Workforce Center groundbreaking ceremony and our Clubs partnership with the Madison Area Builders Association from July 2021
- Career force Build-Up skilled trades program has already begun
 - In partnership with Madison Area Builders Association & Madison Reading Program youth assisted in building over 20 little libraries to be placed all throughout Madison
 - Youth visited the McKenzie Regional Workforce Center site and learned to cut and hang drywall, taking an active part in the current construction of the facility



CLUB & SCHOOL BASED PROGRAM SUCCESSES

BG CDC Club Based and School Based innovative programs are designed to empower youth to excel in school, become good citizens and lead healthy, productive lives. Our programs serve youth ages 2.5 to 24 years through after school, out of school and summer programming. BG CDC has the largest public/private partnership with Madison Metropolitan School District through our AVID/TOPS program and expanded the program to Verona Area High School this academic year.

OUR IMPACT

- McKenzie Family Boys and Girls Club opened a licensed preschool serving ages 2.5 - 5
- 217 seniors from the AVID/TOPS program declared their post-secondary plans at College Decision Day
- Over 200 youth and families came out to enjoy an outdoor viewing of "Sing 2" at the Sun Prairie Movie Night

