



MISSION:
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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF GARDEN GROVE



2022 IMPACT
REPORT



Mission

To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.



Vision

To be a national leader in connecting youth and their families to opportunities and resources that allow them to reach their full potential.

Youth of the Year



Hazel C.

11-year Member, Santiago High School



The Youth of the Year program (YOY) is one of the ways we recognize our members for their outstanding academic achievements, healthy lifestyles, character and citizenship, and service to the community. The Clubs provide programs for youth so they can begin to envision a future for themselves.

Hazel was selected as this Year's Youth of the Year for Garden Grove and represented our Club at Boys & Girls Clubs of Orange County's YOY competition. We are thrilled that she has been selected to represent Orange County at the state level.

"The Club is a program that aims to positively change families and youth for the better, and I am fortunate enough to be one of them."

We have been privileged to see how Hazel has grown at our Clubs. As Keystone President, she has become a true leader and mentor for other members. When we needed an emcee for our 2020 Youth of the Year dinner, she volunteered

and did a fantastic job! Hazel was also a featured speaker at our 2021 State of the Club. She credits the staff and her experiences at the Club for helping her uncover the confidence and leadership skills necessary to become Senior Class president and an active member of Latinos Unidos, ASB, and other school programs.

"My Club experience consisted of a strong support group that pushed me to persevere through all the ups and downs of life. My family suffered health issues during the pandemic that led to financial concerns. The Club immediately offered resources and support services that helped us get through. The staff opened up my eyes to the deeper meaning of what BGCGG does for members like me."

Lt. John Reynolds Scholarship Fund

In 2021, we established the Lt. John Reynolds Scholarship Fund, which recognizes and provides financial awards to Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove's Youth of the Year finalists. This year we awarded 12 scholarships to help members further their educational goals in honor of Lt. John Reynolds.

John was a dedicated advocate of youth programs and served on BGC GG's

Board of Directors for more than ten years. He believed that the smallest gestures could make a world of difference in the life of a child. He gave his time, talent, testimony, and support to the Club and more importantly he led by example. Your support of the scholarship fund will help keep his legacy alive and give youth the financial support they need to unlock their potential.



Youth of the Year and Scholarship recipients, Ethan and Josue.



Lt. John Reynolds

You can donate to the scholarship fund or become a sponsor of the Youth of the Year recognition dinner. Additional information can be found on our website at www.bgcgg.org.

A new beginning for Kate

The well-being and safety of our members is our top priority, and for some members, being able to trust their staff enough to confide in them their current situation can make all the difference. For one member, Kate, revealing that she and her mom had been living out of their car and sleeping outside under bushes led to connections that provided a safe, stable living arrangement until they could get back on their feet. Upon learning Kate and her

mom were experiencing homelessness, we referred them to our ARCHES program. Within a few days, the family was placed in a shelter, giving both mom and Kate a room and bed to return to each night. Kate continued to attend the Club, making friends with fellow members and showcasing her drawing abilities. By attending the Club, Kate's mom could pick up extra hours at work, knowing that Kate was safe and able to be a kid.



Kate's trust in her staff, the staff's determination to advocate for the member's needs, and BGC GG's network of resources demonstrate our programs' impact in ensuring those who need us most are reached.





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Truancy Reduction Program Expands Services

Since 1993, we have been providing truancy reduction services in partnership with Garden Grove Unified School District. In 2021, we expanded our services in partnership with Orange County Department of Education to provide truancy mediation services across Orange County. Services include: psychoeducation, counseling, wellness checks with parents, parent empowerment classes, teen groups, and intensive case management. This

expansion has allowed us to support youth and school districts as they navigate absenteeism.

One out of 10 students misses nearly a month of school every year. When a student misses 10% or more of the school year (excused or unexcused) this can translate into students having difficulty learning to read by the 3rd grade, under achieving in middle school, and not graduating from high school. Our goal is to eliminate and reduce barriers to a student's academic success.

COVID-19 highlighted the importance of meeting clients where they are. As a result, we added virtual services, individualized parenting sessions, expanded evening and weekend hours, and technology support to ensure we are reaching the families who need us most. The inclusion of telehealth services allowed more families to participate by removing transportation concerns, allowing them to still go to work, and most importantly playing an active role in their child's academic success.

Family Engagement and Absenteeism

Salvador B. is a single parent of five boys ages 6-16. He was referred for truancy mediation from Irvine Unified School District. The family had experienced complex trauma. Salvador and his children had multiple barriers to attending school. Through intensive case management, we were able to help with the root cause of the absenteeism. Our team supporting the family was able to connect the

entire family with long-term counseling, groceries, time management skills, agendas, and bicycles. All five children improved their attendance and grades. Salvador stated, "The support of Boys & Girls Clubs was the best gift especially during the holidays" and thanked us for checking in on his children and motivating them to continue succeeding in school.



California law places the responsibility on parents to get their kids to school, and there can be legal consequences when they don't. Our goal is to work with the family to address these issues before legal intervention is needed.



From left to right:
our Lead Lesly,
YDP Ashley,
YDP Daniela,
YDP Angelina,
Supervisor Gabby,
& Volunteer Alexia.



MISSION: **UNSTOPPABLE** at Simmons Elementary BGC

As the Site Supervisor at Simmons Elementary BGC, I need to stay connected and engaged with my team, Club kids, and the families we serve. Club members have been through so much, and establishing a routine and providing them the opportunity to explore and collaborate is very important. During the pandemic, my mom was my biggest motivator. She has always led by example, and even during the pandemic, she encouraged me to be there for others. My team and I also found inspiration from the children who attend the Club. The

members needed a safe place to go after school, and they put their trust in the Club to be that safe haven.

We had two members who started off the school year who would only communicate with us through hand gestures, and now they are using complete sentences and are eager to talk to staff. Consistency is essential to their healthy development, and each of us uniquely

contributes to support and mentor our Club members.

This past year definitely taught my team how much we could achieve under challenging circumstances. Regardless of all the changes and challenges that took place daily, this team is willing to be here for our members and their families! Our mottos are "If there is a will, there is a way" and "teamwork makes the dream work!"

"I could not have survived the year without Gabby and her team. Gabby exudes professionalism, good judgement, great communication skills and kindness beyond measure. She never gets flustered and there is nothing she can't make happen. I am beyond grateful to have her at Simmons."

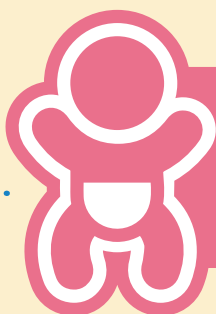
— Simmons Elementary Principal, Jaemie Johnson

Preschool Expansion



There are **227,278** children ages 0-5 in Orange County.
21% are ages 0-2.

60% of all children have both parents working—signaling a need for high quality affordable childcare.



Currently there is **1** licensed infant/toddler space per **21** children that need care.

Sources: Orange County 2020-2025 LPC Needs Assessment (submitted 5/30/20); NP Strategies' Analysis

For more than 25 years, Garden Grove Unified School District and Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove have worked together in partnership to provide numerous programs and services, both in an after school setting, and throughout the community as a whole. We thank GGUSD for their partnership and support over the years to better serve the children and families in our community.





Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove

has three dedicated preschool locations, including our new 0-5 program in partnership with Orange County Head Start. This new location will open Spring 2022 and is a full day infant toddler program on the Garden Grove Unified School District Clinton Corner Campus.

Our Early Childcare Programs provide an environment for children to explore, and gain a sense of independence and self-confidence. Our educators work collaboratively with families to provide rich

and engaging learning experiences in a safe, nurturing environment to help children reach their full potential. Supported by Early Learning educators, children learn and discover each day through their own exploration with learning activities. We ensure our children feel safe and loved by taking the time to talk and actively listening to them. Each child is a unique individual who is filled with wonder, and we understand the importance of building strong partnerships with families to support the individual child's optimal development.

"I don't know how I would have been able to keep my job during these times. You provide a safe place for the children to be while parents are at work. My daughter really feels loved and special here."

– Casillas Family

"My child has improved significantly in all aspects."

– Ngu Family

"Thank you for creating such a fun program for all children and for making sure we have the best experience every day. I hope you know the priceless impact you are making in many lives."

– Berea Family

Before & After

Main Branch Renovation

In 1956, a group of community leaders officially established a foundation using funds generously donated by Emlen W. Hoag to provide the necessary resources for the first Boys Club in Garden Grove. As visionaries of their time, the Hoag Trustees wanted to ensure the positive future of the community by providing children a safe place to go after school. On December 27, 1956, their dreams came to fruition with the grand opening of our Main Branch facility located at 9860 Larson Avenue. Over sixty-five years later and Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove has expanded its reach to provide daily programs and services to youth and their families across more than 67 locations.

At the start of the pandemic in March 2020, we temporarily closed our Main Branch location, but as luck would have it, this turned out to be the perfect time to complete some much-needed repairs to the facility. Through the support of the Hoag Foundation and City

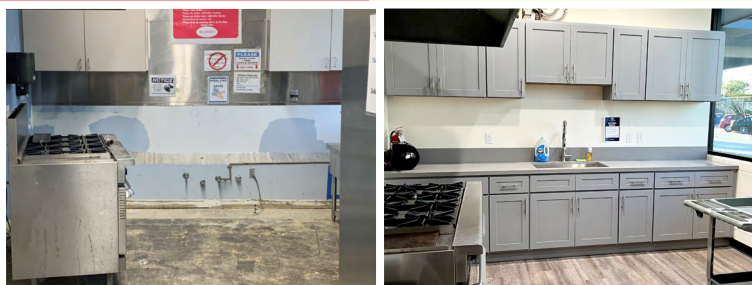
Welcome Desk



Classrooms



Kitchen



Bathrooms



Leadership, an agreement was formed in 2017 with the Pacific Companies who serves as the real estate developer for the soon to be opened Garden Brook Senior Village. Along with the creation of an Intergenerational Program plan to benefit both residents and Club members alike, several in-kind building improvements were pledged at the time and in late spring of 2020, Main Branch underwent major renovations including a brand-new roof, plumbing, flooring, bathrooms, and interior paint. Through the support of additional grants and donations, we were also able to renovate and update the art room (Michaels), kitchen (OCAP), and patio shade area (Union Pacific). In September 2020, our members were welcomed back to Main Branch and were thrilled with the changes and their new Club, which now serves as a testament to our founders as well as the greater Garden Grove community!

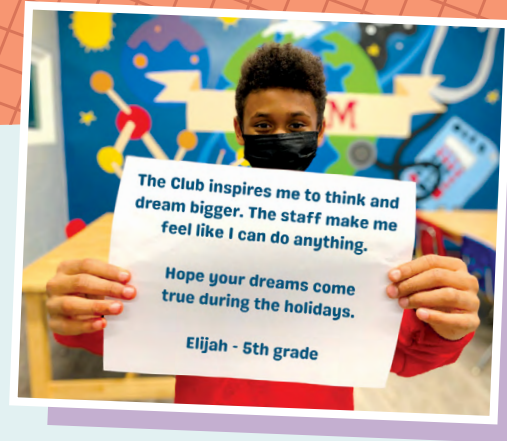
A Message from the CEO Mark Surmanian

Turning the page on yet another challenge-filled year, I stand in awe of our amazingly strong and resilient team members, youth, and families! For more than six decades, Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove has been there, and today is no different. Marking over two years since the beginning of the pandemic, the true value of our work has never been more evident nor more

necessary. Thanks to our dedicated and passionate team of over 450 strong, including our committed Board of Directors, we were able to yet again rise to the challenge for our kids and community! As we begin to adjust to a post-pandemic world, we do so knowing the tremendous trauma many of our young people are grappling with, and we will be here for them. We are

able to serve while investing in our Clubs and people thanks to the continued support of countless donors and partners alike. We value and appreciate their continued investments into our work and impact. Even throughout 2021, 85% of all organizational spending went directly into

providing programs and services to our community. Looking forward, we will continue to grow our reach, impact, and capacity back to pre-2020 levels, all while knowing and proving we are a Mission Unstoppable!



Financials

Revenue

Contracts & Grants	\$9,074,290
Fee Based Programs	\$533,569
In-kind Support	\$439,067
Donations & Special Events	\$303,901
Other Income	\$16,554
Total Support & Revenue	\$12,242,376

Expense

Staffing	\$10,065,543
Materials & Supplies	\$434,813
Facilities	\$812,206
Operations	\$477,823
Technology	\$360,187
Depreciation	\$163,657
Other Expense	\$74,422
Total Expenses	\$12,388,651

A Message from the Board:

As members of the Board of Directors and Associate Council for Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove, we couldn't be more pleased with how this organization handled the unimaginable challenges brought on by a pandemic. We have an incredible group of Board volunteers who never missed a meeting and brought a wealth of experiences, insight, resources, and guidance. Together, we are committed to maintaining, protecting, expanding, and perfecting our programs and services so that the Club continues to be a valuable community resource.

"As a Club alumnus since 1969, I truly believe the Club is the finest charity organization in Garden Grove. It is actually an honor and a privilege to be on the board."

We have all been inspired by the resilience and perseverance of the kids who attend the Clubs.

The staff has also been an inspiration to everyone and not only by doing an essential job during a pandemic. Our staff constantly adapted to the constant changes in policies, mask guidelines, and the daily schedules of virtual, hybrid, and in-person programming.

"Helping and inspiring our kids helps our community. With all the crazy stuff going on in the world today, I'm glad to be a part of a kind, generous, and giving organization."

Now that COVID-19 infections have declined, it's more important than ever to provide a productive space for children in those critical and dangerous hours between 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. when students finish

It Takes Resilience and Perseverance

school and their parents arrive home from work. Our organization goes well beyond the norm by offering resources that address the needs of the whole family. We saw first-hand how our Community Health Services division worked to keep food on the table, maintain counseling services, provide essential supplies, and schedule COVID-19 and general vaccination opportunities.

Through it all, our Club leadership team, staff, the Board of Directors, and Associate Council members talked through every step needed to resolve all the safety-related issues occurring during a public health crisis. As a collective team of volunteers, we are more committed than ever to stand together with this amazing Club team to ensure that the mission to enable all young people to reach their full potential is an achievable goal for all children.

"It is very rewarding to see the students grow, witness their examples of grit, perseverance, and most of all, humanity."





Join Our Team

Employment with Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove provides you the opportunity to make a difference in the community,

unlock a child's potential, and start your great career. Join our Crew in Blue to make a child's future great!

Sports Update

The start of the 2021-22 school year saw the return of our comprehensive sports league program for Intermediate School members. More than 100 athletes kicked off the fall sports season with co-ed soccer. We then offered 80 members the opportunity to participate in our co-ed basketball leagues. Sports programming

is aimed at building fundamental skills, promoting teamwork, and good sportsmanship for members at all levels. The return of the sports program brought back a sense of normalcy for our youth. They were eager to compete, interact, problem solve, and engage with their peers.

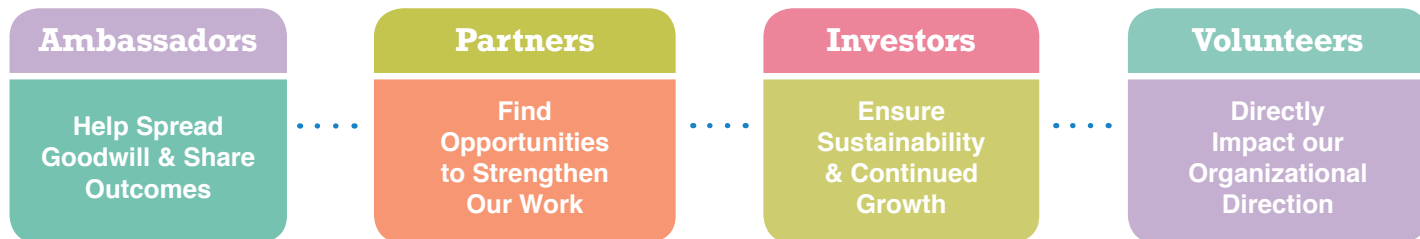


"It feels good to be back!"

"We missed having sports."

"I love this game!"

How You Can Serve



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With your generous support, Boys & Girls Clubs of Garden Grove will continue to make a positive and lasting impact on youth, teens, and families in our community.

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