



2021 Annual Report



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY
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WELCOME

A LETTER FROM THE CEO & BOARD PRESIDENT

The last two years have truly tested us all, both professionally and personally, as we strive to meet the shifting needs of our stakeholders. In these ever-changing times, we have learned to find the commonalities---the need for strong friendships, grace, partnerships, and mentorship. 2021 started off full of hope and ultimately has proved to us just how much hope inspires and is realized through hard work. As we look back and reflect on the past year, we do it through a lens of celebration, acknowledging the success found in collaboration, communication, and adaptation.



Throughout the continued roller coaster ride of the pandemic, the extraordinary team at Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Charles County has not missed a beat in providing services that are essential to countless families. We have been a steadfast pillar of strength for youth in our county because the community has been, and continues to be, there for us.

Volunteers supported our Back-to-School Bash, Trunk or Treats, and Club-based member activities. Donors contributed generously to offset unbudgeted expenses for additional food, cleaning supplies, and technology needs. And our funders stood by us with strong support, even as our programs and services have pivoted to meet emerging needs but remain faithful to our mission.

Caring is at the heart of everything that happens at Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Charles County. The deep compassion our staff and volunteers have for our Club members, families, and each other continues to shine daily in the little gestures and big moments alike.

As we begin to see the light at the end of the pandemic tunnel, we are beyond grateful to the Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Charles County team and Board of Directors, to our families, school partners, and all of **you**, our dedicated volunteers and supporters. Thank you for providing thousands of children and families with the safety and resources necessary to build strong futures.

With gratitude and hope,

Karen D. Englert
Karen Englert,
Chief Executive Officer

Mark Prouhet
Mark Prouhet
2022 Board President

Remembering Rep. Hannegan

Board Member 2015-2021

Tom Hannegan proudly served on the board of directors for Boys & Girls Clubs of St. Charles County. Always a champion for the underdog, Tom worked to ensure our kids have access to great futures through mentoring, safe spaces, and academic support. Tom joined the board in honor of his mother and continued her legacy of commitment to our mission. We are saddened by the loss of our dear friend and Club champion.



Our Vision

To be the leader in addressing the growing needs of young people through exceptional programming, staff, facilities, and strategic partnerships and collaborations.



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Our Mission

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



2021 Hero for Youth

We are committed to closing the opportunity gap for kids and teens. Advocacy at the local, state, and federal levels enables us to secure critical funding, impactful policies, and legislative support around key priority issues. As part of the Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA) Movement, we amplify the importance on what makes the greatest difference in the lives of kids. Advocacy from our board and staff resulted in national recognition as a 2021 Hero for Youth in the BGCA community.

2021 Board of Directors

Board President, Carolyn Harting

Vice President, Mark Prouhet

Treasurer, Janine Orf

Secretary, Kim Hannegan

Rudy Beck

Tom Bruening

Bob Cissell

Robert Cornejo

Tom Hannegan

Angel Walters Likens

Dennis Maher

Dr. David Poggemeier

Kim Scheidegger - York

Vicki Schneider

Mark Schoene

Dr. Danielle Tormala

Gerry Wiegmann



Outgoing Board Members

Thank you for providing dedicated years of service with regular direction, guidance, and oversight of Club goals. Your legacy is marked by capital campaigns, annual events, expansion planning, and overall growth, but most importantly a heart for our youth. Your gift of time and investment in our Club members will be appreciated for years to come!

47 Years | Rudy Beck

31 Years | Tom Bruening

18 Years | Kim Scheidegger - York

SERVING ON A

83%

COMMITTEE

ANNUAL

100%

BOARD GIVING

MADE A
FACE-TO-FACE

89%

SOLICITATION

2021 HIGHLIGHTS

COMMUNITY WIDE IMPACT

“**57%**

OF ALUMNI VOLUNTEER IN
THEIR COMMUNITY AT
LEAST ONCE PER MONTH.

2021 BGCA
REPORT”



 **17**

Schools served through after
school programming

165 

Backpacks distributed to
students in St. Charles

 **530**

Christmas gifts distributed to
Club families

976 

Volunteer hours worked through
Club events & committees.

 **111**

Trunk or Treat
volunteers involved
between both Club units

26 

Structured program options
offered to members at each
Club location

BUILDING GREAT FUTURES

PARTNERING ON MISSION

On the Playground

To encourage outdoor play and exploration in conjunction with Triple Play programming, community organizations worked together to raise funds for a new playground at the O'Fallon unit. From bingo nights to pancake breakfasts, our local leaders rallied support and made substantial investments in our Club members. These generous donors include Am Vets Post #106, Barnes-Jewish St. Peters & Progress West Hospitals Foundation, Harvester Christian Church, Lowe's of O'Fallon, Nike, O'Fallon Firefighters Community Outreach, O'Fallon Kiwanis Club, O'Fallon Professional Firefighters, and Peace Lutheran Church.

In addition to receiving multiple donations to support this project, many groups volunteered their time and offered up manual labor to prepare the ground. Weeding and mulching over many weekends, Harvester Christian Church and City Light Church worked to secure the necessary landscaping for installation.



Community Partners



Big Brothers Big Sisters
Centers for Behavioral Health
CHADS Coalition
Clement Auto Group
Crisis Nursery
CRUSH
Delta Sigma Pi - Lindenwood University
FACT
First Baptist O'Fallon
Girl Scouts of Eastern Missouri
Harvester Christian Church
Happys Nutrition
Isaiah's Foundation
Kids and Families in Need
Kids in the Middle
Kiwanis St. Charles
Lutheran Family & Children's Services
Michaels
NAMI - St. Louis

O'Fallon Fire Protection District
O'Fallon Kiwanis Club
O'Fallon Police Department
Peace Lutheran Church
Reebok Series
Rose + Ry Cakes & Confections
Sucrose
Sweet Poppins
St. Charles County Ambulance District
St. Charles County Public Health
St. Charles Jaycees
St. Charles Police Department
St. Charles Fire Department
St. Louis Community Foundation
Sunrise Rotary Club - St. Charles
The Child Advocacy Center
Youth in Need

WHO WE SERVE

BY THE NUMBERS

Today's kids have MORE. More opportunity, more access, more paths. But they also deal with more chaos, more risks, more danger. We're doing whatever it takes to fill gaps, provide safe spaces, and empower kids to imagine and achieve Great Futures in St. Charles County.

ETHNICITY

White | 45%

Black | 29%

Two or More | 14%

Other | 8%

Hispanic | 4%

GENDER

49% | Male

51% | Female

AGE

56% | 5-10

44% | 11-18

**WHAT THE CLUB DOES
FOR THE COMMUNITY,
THE CHILDREN, & FOR
FAMILIES IS NOTHING
SHORT OF AN
INCREDIBLE BLESSING.**

- DANA JOHNSON
CLUB PARENT, CHILD AGE 9

FINANCIALS

AT A GLANCE

EXPENSES
\$1,285,067

Programs & Summer Camp | \$598,450

Clubs | \$362,646

Operations | \$186,375

Administrative | \$137,596

**Expenses reported before depreciation*



INCOME
\$1,527,227

\$778,185 | Contributions

\$478,925 | Grants

\$125,596 | Program Reimbursement

\$83,240 | Miscellaneous

\$61,281 | In-Kind

In-Kind Donors

Our ongoing success is made possible through various in-kind gifts from thoughtful supporters. In-kind donors fill the gaps year-round for our Club youth by meeting daily needs and enhancing experiences at Summer Camp and events.

Highlight donations include:

- Healthy Snacks to fuel success
- Bubbles, water balloons, & chalk for outdoor play
- Beach towels, swim suits, & sunscreen for pool days
- Candy & costumes for Trunk or Treat
- Amazon Wishlist items for Gala auction
 - Extra clothes for emergencies
 - Nerf footballs for gym time
 - Backpacks & school supplies

458

Kids received academic support through PowerHour, ACT Test Prep, & career launch.

33,197

Meals & snacks served last year

10,506

Kids served through programs, athletics, and community outreach

VOLUNTEERS

SHARING THEIR TIME & TALENTS

The WHY

Each volunteer has a story, the reason WHY they choose to give back at the Clubs. For some it is personal, others are alumni, but for Ryan Endres, 2020 Volunteer of the Year, his heart is for the local children. Mr. Ryan, as the Club kids know him, was raised in a multi-racial family with his father serving in social work. Firsthand, he witnessed the effects of social injustice, racial inequality, and the ripple effects from lack of access.

"The organization in St. Charles is providing access to experiences and opportunities for EVERY child!"

After moving to the St. Charles area to begin his career at Boeing, Ryan visited the St. Charles unit in search of a place to serve. Encouraged by the Club's eagerness to, "embrace innovation," Ryan joined the Club family as a weekly volunteer. Ryan states, "The organization in St. Charles is providing access to experiences and opportunities for EVERY child!" A man of vision and action, he became an advocate for implementing ACT Test Prep for Club teens. Ryan says, "Those are the kind of opportunities that can impact whether a student is accepted to college, has access to scholarships, and can potentially change their life."

VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

2,502 hrs. | In-Club Volunteers

597 hrs. | Board of Directors

576 hrs. | Event Committees

333 hrs. | Trunk or Treat

90 hrs. | Back-to-School Bash

"...the most important thing to have in a career is to *care a lot*."

When Mr. Ryan is mentoring Club members, he shares what he believes to be the key to success. Ryan notes, "I tell them that the most important thing to have in a career is to ***care a lot***. I have found that the entire staff at BGCSTC cares an immense amount and as a result, is changing not only individual lives but the very fabric of the community that they live in. I'm honored to be along for the journey."

WHERE WILL YOU SERVE?

SCAN HERE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT WAYS TO CHANGE A LIFE





Back to LIVE

This year, we had the opportunity to safely allow volunteers and visitors to join Club members inside our buildings to interact through tutoring, enhance our spaces, and host in-person community events for St. Charles County families. From outdoor BBQs with Kiwanis to Trunk or Treat, the laughter was contagious!

In April, Target donated the resources & volunteers to renovate our Teen Room with the design help of Club members. During the August Back-to-School Bash, 25 vendors combined efforts to educate parents on community-wide resources and provide fully stuffed backpacks to students. The Health & Wellness Fair gave us the opportunity to connect Club families with useful community resources, play games, and enjoy a FREE cookout.

The return of Trunk or Treat provided time for 19 community groups to connect with 1,251 kids and families across the county to provide loads of sweet treats and a spectacular haunted house over two nights of safe family fun. These moments were made possible because of our community partners and generous volunteers!



Ways to Engage

Clubs rely on dedicated volunteers to provide expertise and share their talents both face-to-face with Club members and behind the scenes of our many events. Whether you enjoy rolling up your sleeves in the garden or have a creative itch you're looking to scratch, volunteering for our Clubs can take on a variety of forms. In 2021, volunteers could be found...

- pulling weeds & mulching flowerbeds
- reading to 6-7 year old Club members
- registering teams at our 37th annual golf tournament
- playing catch & flipping burgers at a Club BBQ
- serving popcorn at a Club Family Movie Night
- shopping for Christmas presents
- crafting centerpieces for the 56th annual gala
- passing out candy & smiles at Trunk or Treat
- selling raffle tickets at the 13th annual sporting clay tournament
- painting the Teen Room
- stuffing backpacks for our community Back-to-School Bash
- teaching an ACT prep class
 - mentoring a Youth of the Year candidate
 - speaking to Club members about their career
 - securing sponsorships for fundraisers and much, much more!



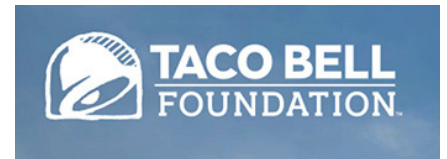
PROGRAMS

BUILDING GREAT FUTURES

Developing Workforce Skills

Workforce readiness programs such as Youth of the Year, Career Launch, & Money Matters promote career exploration, the development of soft skills, and make classroom activities applicable to real life. Funded by the Taco Bell Foundation, these programs offer supportive mentor interactions that prepare Club members, kindergarten through high school, for future success. This year's Career Launch series provided hands-on lessons from local speakers including Fire Fighters, Small Business Owners, SWAT Officers, EMTs, K-9 Unit Officers, Forensic Detectives, Chemists, Veterinarians, and Aerospace Engineers.

The relaunch of the Toyota funded Junior Youth of the Year program has invigorated and developed junior leaders ages 10-13 within the Club environment. This program fosters the abilities of emerging leaders within the Club community and recognizes their achievements as Club youth. Junior Youth of the Year is supported locally by the BKD Foundation to cultivate leadership potential, encourage academic excellence, and generate soft skills in Club members. Mentors work to emphasize growth in the area of leadership so participants develop into responsible citizens and community agents of change.



Building Confidence & Resiliency

In the current environment of the pandemic, students struggled to navigate the changing academic platforms and embrace the communication skills necessary to overcome emerging challenges. Power Hour is a focused time offered daily at each Club unit to members ages 6-18 during which they work toward homework completion and strive for academic progress. Funded by a grant from the Panda Cares Foundation and CCRB, Power Hour tutoring and high-yield learning activities equip Club members with the resources to become resilient, self-directed learners.

During Summer 2021, the St. Charles unit launched ACT Test Prep for Club teens at the cost of only \$25 - the price of a Club membership! With the help of skilled volunteers from Boeing, Bayer, and the Ft. Zumwalt School District, students engaged in subject specific matter and mastered techniques to overcome test anxiety. On average, students experienced a 2 point increase in their test scores in addition to gaining a newfound confidence.

Passport to Manhood and SMART Girls are programs aimed at strengthening decision-making skills in our youth. With messages centered on self-esteem and prevention, these CCRB and Missouri Alliance funded programs are driving resiliency in a time it is most needed for our Club members.



Healthy Lifestyles

We do whatever it takes to ensure members have the opportunity to nurture their well-being, build their self-esteem, set goals, and grow into healthy adults. These partners assisted with Healthy Lifestyles programming for our members.

Through the multiyear Bridgeton Landfill Community grant from the St. Louis Community Foundation, the St. Charles unit has been equipped to provide self-care programming focused on exercise, nutrition, and mental health & wellness activities.

MU Extension helped plant a lasagna garden at our O'Fallon unit in the spring. After a summer of working the garden, members enjoyed sampling all of the produce on Tasty Tuesdays.

During First Responders Week, St. Charles County Ambulance District visited and gave members an in-depth demonstration focusing on CPR.

New AED units, sponsored by Barnes-Jewish St. Peters and Progress West Hospital Foundation were installed at both Club units. During summer training sessions, frontline and administrative staff were trained in how to use the devices during an emergency situation.



• BRIDGETON LANDFILL
• COMMUNITY PROJECT FUND

environment • public health • safety

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Extension
University of Missouri

Leaving a Legacy

A man who was known to "work hard, play hard, and love hard," Ron Shake was a Club supporter who deeply moved our community with a surprise legacy gift upon his passing. A veteran of the Vietnam War, local St. Charles businessman, and avid golfer, Ron made his mark on the youth of St. Charles through his consistent involvement in the Boys & Girls Clubs annual golf tournament. While his absence on the Bogey course is felt by many, his gift of over \$300,000 will put smiles on the faces of Club kids for years to come as we build great futures, together.

“
WE MAKE A LIVING
BY WHAT WE GET,
BUT WE MAKE A
LIFE BY WHAT
WE GIVE.
”

-WINSTON
CHURCHILL



RON (FAR LEFT)
GOLFING WITH
FRIENDS



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Event Supporters & Annual Partners

\$3,000 - 4,999

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Dr. David Poggemeier
Engelhardt Family Foundation
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Twain Financial
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