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2023 ANNUAL REPORT



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF CENTRAL IOWA

Mission

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

The mission and core beliefs of Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa (BGCCI) promote a safe, positive, and inclusive environment for all. BGCCI supports all youth and teens—of every race, ethnicity, gender expression, sexual orientation, ability, socio-economic status, and religion—in reaching their full potential.

We are committed to providing this inclusive environment for our Club members, staff, and volunteers.

Closing the opportunity gap for 60 years

Since 1963, BGCCI has supported Des Moines metro kids and families when they need us most: after school, all day in the summer, and even during the school day.

We aim to provide a world-class Club Experience that assures success is within reach of every young person who enters our doors, with all members on track to graduate from high school with a plan for the future, demonstrating good character and citizenship, and living a healthy lifestyle.

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Club Locations



HUSKIES CLUB

Meredith Middle School
Grades 6 - 12

FRANK J. ROSS CLUB

Moore Elementary School
Grades K - 5

GREGORY & SUZIE GLAZER BURT CLUB

Drake University
Grades K - 12

BERNIE & BERNIECE BAKER CLUB

Amos Hiatt Middle School
Grades 6 - 8

E.T. MEREDITH JR. CLUB

East High School
Grades 9 - 12

ELLIS I. LEVITT CLUB

Carver Elementary School
Grades K - 5

MCCOMBS CLUB

McCombs Middle School
Grades 6 - 12

STUDEBAKER CLUB

Studebaker Elementary School
Grades K - 5

Leadership



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Tony Timm



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A MESSAGE FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

This is a historic year—2023 commemorates the 60th anniversary of Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa! On September 9th, 1963, five community leaders came together to establish the Boys Club of Des Moines. Our founders, Bernie Baker, Jr.; A.H. Blank; Ellis I. Levitt; E.T. Meredith, Jr.; and Miles Mills, Sr., realized that disadvantaged youth did not have adequate opportunities to grow and reach their full potential. Now, 60 years later, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa is one of the largest youth serving organizations in our community, and we remain focused on serving the young people who truly need us most.

We celebrate this milestone during a time when the demand for our services only continues to increase. Our kids and teens here in the Des Moines metro are facing very real challenges: significant academic backslide, mental health crises, and food insecurity. It has never

been more important to ensure that the doors of our eight Club sites remain open for another 60 years; to uphold our promise of a safe, supportive place for all young people who walk through our doors.

This will be a year of challenging work to fulfill our mission, but it will also be a year of celebration. A year of remembering and recognizing the founders, leaders, and supporters who have made this organization what it is today. A year of celebrating the accomplishments of our Club youth and our impact in the community over these 60 years. A year of looking to the past and to the future.

We look forward to celebrating with you.

Tony Timm
Chief Executive Officer

Celebrating 60 Years of Creating Great Futures

Since establishment in 1963, by founders Bernie Baker, Jr.; A.H. Blank; Ellis I. Levitt; E.T. Meredith, Jr.; and Miles Mills, Sr., our programs have evolved to meet the ever-changing needs of the Des Moines community, while never wavering from our core belief that every child, regardless of their income level or zip code, should have access to high-quality, after-school and summer programming in a safe and supportive environment.

We have consistently and proudly grown into one of the largest and most comprehensive youth development organizations in the metro, providing a full schedule of educationally enriching programming in three key areas: Academic Success, Character & Leadership, and Healthy Lifestyles.

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS ACROSS THE NATION

1860 in Hartford, Connecticut, many American cities were transforming by the Industrial Revolution - prosperity for some was offset by privation among others. A group of civic-minded women began inviting disadvantaged boys into their homes for relief from the cold. The Dashaway Club emerged; a meeting hall to accommodate the growing number of boys in attendance. Throughout 1860-1900, growth was slow but steady. By 1906, 53 Clubs stood—many of which are still in existence today.

Those 53 organizations united in Boston in 1906 to form the first national association of its kind – Federated Boys' Clubs. In 1929, the national organization could look back on a decade of accomplishment and underwent another name change – Boys' Club Federation of America. In 1931, the word "Federation" was dropped to become Boys' Clubs of America. The movement had grown from 105 Clubs with 60,000 members in 1914, to 258 Clubs with more than 250,000 members.

As the nation struggled throughout the Great Depression, Boy's Clubs of America continued its work. As a result, Boys' Club Movement did not lose a single Club affiliation during the Depression years. Despite challenges, membership continued to grow, increasing more than 20% from 1929 to 1937.

In 1990, the Boys' Clubs of America officially changed their name to the Boys' and Girls' Clubs of America.

Since inception, Boys & Girls Clubs across the country have become one of America's enduring institutions – dedicated to the foundation that all children, however difficult their circumstances, could become capable adults; that generations of young Americans would believe they could become somebody and succeed.



**According to the Boys' Club of Fall River,
1892 Annual Report**

"The whole aim of the Club may be summed up in one word: prevention. To cure is the voice of the past; to prevent is the divine whisper of today. To draw boys from the streets we must have something that will attract them. We must replace with healthy amusement their surrender of vicious ones.

Kindness reaches the hearts of the boys. We try to:

1. Amuse our boys
2. Inculcate good morals
3. Teach Cleanliness
4. Induce them to save money
5. Elevate and refine them
6. Help them find employment
7. Visit them and, if sick or destitute, help them."



We need teen activities of every type. Things like facilities for coffee houses, teen nights, outdoor basketball leagues. These are the things we're thinking about at the Boys' Club. We want activities for the teenagers at the end of the day.

”

**Guy E. Simpson, Unit Leader for
Boys' Club of Des Moines, 1968**

TIMELINE

1960s

A meeting is held to establish the **first Boys Club in Des Moines.**

Founder, E.T. Meredith Jr. was elected president of the Des Moines group.

1963

The first Boys' Club of Des Moines opens for boys aged 7-18 years old at 1435 E. Grand Ave. and offered a game room, physical activities room, woodworking shop, and more. Nine-year-old **Russ Casper**, was the first boy to receive a Club membership card.

1967

1970s

Girls are welcomed to Club—making up about 35% of Club membership.

1976

The former Wittier School at 1350 E Washington is dedicated as the new home of the Boys Club of Des Moines, **serving youth for 30 years.**

1977



1980s

The organization changes its name from Boys Club to **Boys & Girls Club**, seven years before the national organization changed their name to Boys & Girls Clubs of America. The same year, Club sponsors a citywide **Youth Employment Fair** to assist youth in securing career and summer employment.

1983

1990s

More than 60 Club members paint a large birthday card for Des Moines' 150th birthday.

1993

BGCCl's CEO, Laurence Jones, increases outreach efforts and program quality stating, "We're here not only for kids with problems, **we're here for kids period.**"

1997

2000s

Boys & Girls Club establishes partnership with Des Moines Public Schools and begins serving students at Carver Elementary School and McCombs Middle School. The Ellis I. Levitt Club at Carver becomes the **6th in the nation to reside in a public school.**

2007

J. Barry Griswell, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa Trustee, is inducted into the Boys & Girls Clubs of America Alumni Hall of Fame.

2009

2010s

In memory of past board president, Frank J. Ross, the Frank J. Ross Memorial Golf Tournament launches and raises over one million dollars in five years, facilitating the opening of the **Frank J. Ross Club** at Moore Elementary in 2015.

2010

Bernie & Berniece Baker Club opens at Amos Hiatt Middle School. BJ Baker III, son of founder Bernie Baker, made a lead contribution for the project, as well as Ellie Glazer Ziegler, in memory of her mother and BGCCI Trustee, Maddie Levitt.

2013



2020s

Huskies Club opens at Meredith Middle School.

2017

Gregory & Suzie Glazer Burt Club opens at Drake University, **only the second in the nation** to reside on a private college campus. Boys & Girls Clubs Trustee and granddaughter of founder Ellis I. Levitt, Suzie Glazer Burt, and husband Gregory Burt, made the lead contribution for the project.

2019

E.T. Meredith Jr. Club, the first teen-only Club in Central Iowa, opens at East High School. The Edwin T. Meredith Foundation, including BGCCI Trustee Michael Frazier and grandchildren of E.T. Meredith Jr., Mell Meredith Frazier and Tom Meredith, made the lead contribution for the project.

2020

Studebaker Club opens at Studebaker Elementary, signifying another major milestone in the Club Pathways plan.

2021

LOOKING TOWARD THE NEXT 60 YEARS

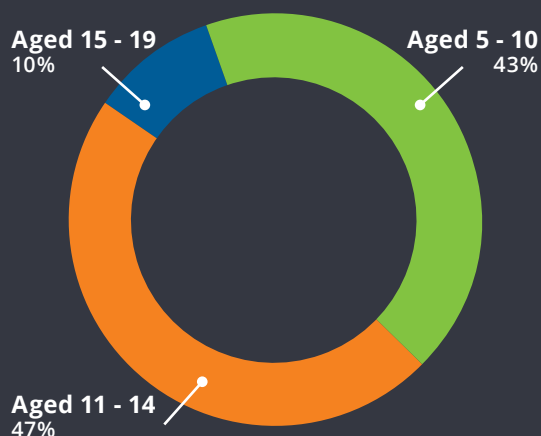
As our organization reflects on 60 years of accomplishments, we are excited to build upon our legacy. By doing whatever it takes, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa will continue to serve Des Moines metro youth for another 60 years.

The Club Experience has the power to not only change the young lives of our current generation, but impact lives of the next. We face the future with the determination and memory of those who came before us to shape the future generations of our community.

Club Member Overview

1,579

REGISTERED CLUB MEMBERS



446

AVERAGE DAILY
ATTENDANCE AT 8 CLUBS



80

NUMBER OF
CENTRAL IOWA SCHOOLS
SERVED BY BGCCI



108

CLUB EMPLOYEES

43 FULL-TIME 65 PART-TIME

78%

parents who agree:

**BGCCI HELPS
THEM KEEP
THEIR JOBS**

47%

**KIDS IN
SINGLE
PARENT
HOUSEHOLDS**

GENDER IDENTITY BREAKDOWN



50%
FEMALE



49%
MALE



1%
OTHER



100%

Club kids who qualify for
**FREE OR
REDUCED-PRICED MEALS**

299

**FAMILIES + KIDS
SUPPORTED
THROUGH FOOD
PANTRY**

46,871

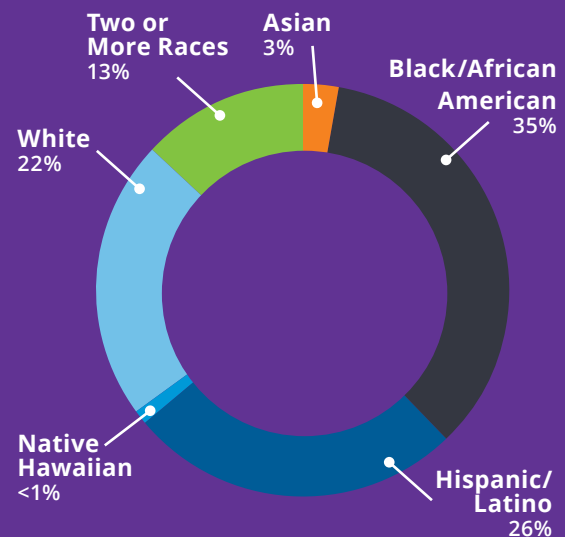
MEALS SERVED

78%

Club kids who identify
as a

**RACIAL OR
ETHNIC
MINORITY**

RACIAL AND ETHNIC BREAKDOWN



Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

For 60 years, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa has been committed to improving the lives of children and families in the Des Moines community. The mission of Boys & Girls Clubs across the nation centers around nurturing the enormous potential inside every young person.

Kids and teens deserve access to experiences and opportunities that change their lives for the better — regardless of their socio-economic status, color of their skin, or other factors that contribute to inequity or prejudice in the U.S. today.

Commitment to Inclusion

BGCCI supports all youth and teens — of every race, ethnicity, gender expression, sexual orientation, ability, socio-economic status, and religion — in reaching their full potential. We are committed to providing this inclusive environment not only for the members we serve but for our staff members and volunteers.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee

BGCCI kicked off our Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee last summer.

BGCCI's DEI Committee is a group of stakeholders, including senior leaders and board members, that acts on behalf of the organization to jumpstart and manage the continuous diversity, equity, and inclusion work for our Clubs.

All kids and teens deserve the right to be themselves, feel a sense of belonging, and have access to opportunities that support their great futures.

The DEI Committee is a critical driver in stimulating real organizational change and establishing a dedicated focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion priorities. We must work together to ensure the future is great for the youth who are counting on us.

Coming Up

Our DEI Committee is working on a variety of projects to promote BGCCI's diversity, equity, and inclusion mission and broader organizational goals. Throughout the next year, our committee will be focusing on facilitating an equitable experience for both employees and BGCCI club members. This starts with leveling up our professional development opportunities to ensure the support of each individual's higher goals. We will work to build the foundation necessary to better serve our community through a DEI lens.



DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT

The DEI Committee exists to provide a forum for discussion and ideation around furthering diversity, equity, and inclusion at Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa. The DEI Committee is a group of committed individuals who bring their own passion and expertise together to combine forces and decide on pathways to improving DEI at Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa, also acting as a resource for BGCCI employees and leadership when DEI guidance is needed. The DEI Committee will efficiently work together as thought partners and provide consultation and support for, as well as actively participate in the co-creation of when necessary and appropriate, initiatives and projects in service of moving this important work forward.

The DEI Committee was created in 2022 to cultivate a culture of trust, teamwork, and inclusivity. Members from different levels of the organization meet on a monthly basis to actively brainstorm initiatives that improve the experience of BGCCI members, families, and staff. Diversity, equity, and inclusion are core to the BGCCI mission. This committee is dedicated to taking active steps to incorporate DEI into all aspects of our work culture. We are excited and look forward to continuing our work and strengthening BGCCI as a community fixture committed to serve others.

**Ariel DuPey, E.T. Meredith Jr. Club
On-Site Coordinator**

DEI is more than trainings, guest speakers, and new hiring policies. It is about creating an equitable and diverse workplace with inclusive spaces where everyone feels comfortable sharing their unique perspective and respects other's needs, so we can all build a better future.

**A.J. Salinas, Director of Corporate
& Foundation Engagement**

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE GOALS

1. Improve equitable experience for all employees through personal and professional development
2. Promote the individual and collective understanding of DEI fundamentals
3. BGCCI embody inclusivity and has a clear strategy for communicating values
4. Support Club members' understanding of diversity, equity, and inclusion
5. Prioritize a diverse, inclusive, and equitable hiring process

Alumni

THEIR GREAT FUTURE STARTED HERE

Did you know that 1 in 16 living Americans was a Club kid? Boys & Girls Club alumni across the world began their journey to great futures behind their hometown blue door. Our local Club alumni are a testament to the success of BGCCI.



MATT PFALTZGRAF

Even rockstar single moms need help. That's where Club stepped in. Club quickly became more than a place where my mom knew we would be safe while she worked tirelessly trying to build a better life for us. The Club became our family. For the first time ever, my brother and I were surrounded by kids with similar backgrounds and circumstances. We were all different, but we were the same kind of different, and that was ok.

From NBA legend, Michael Jordan, to singer-songwriter, Smokey Robinson, to three-time Olympic gold medalist, Brooke Bennett, to late BGCCI Trustee, Barry Griswell, each of these Boys & Girls Clubs of America Hall of Fame inductees first got their start at Boys & Girls Club.

The same goes for Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa alum, Matt Pfaltzgraf. Matt is the CEO and Founder of Fintech Startup, Softgiving. Growing up, Matt spent five

years at Boys & Girls Clubs of Iowa where he and his brother found a safe and consistent place among an ever-changing family environment. Matt participated in many activities like baseball and basketball and enjoyed the opportunities and the support Club staff and mentors provided for him. Matt became fascinated with trading baseball cards at Club which he credits as one of his first introductions to business decision-making.

SIERRA PILATE

I started with Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa with just a few friends but ended up with a family. This family has reminded me that I am always loved, and I can do anything that I put my mind towards. Not only have I found a new confidence through Club, but I have learned to love myself more than I ever have before. Club has made me who I am today, and I will always be grateful for these amazing people. They really are my second family. ”



Sierra's mom was diagnosed with breast cancer when she was in middle school. After moving to Iowa to be closer to family during the difficult time, Sierra quickly found herself questioning where she belonged. Sierra joined Club and immediately found a place where she could learn, grow, and succeed.

In 2022, as a senior at East High School, Sierra won Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa's Youth of the Year competition. She currently attends Drake University studying Music Education and works as a part-time Youth Development Professional at our Gregory & Suzie Glazer Burt Club.



NEISA TAYLOR

Neisa Taylor, BGCCI's Director of Operations, was once a BGCCI Club kid herself. Neisa joined summer Club alongside her siblings and cousins and quickly realized how impactful the organization could be. Neisa knew Club was a place where she could step out of her comfort zone, try new things, and be the best version of herself.

From the beginning, Neisa wanted to work at BGCCI because she whole-heartedly believed in the mission of Boys & Girls Clubs. She wanted the passion she poured into her work to be impactful and really mean something at the end of each day. In August of 2022, Neisa celebrated 10 years of service to Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa.

Core Program Areas

$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{YOUNG} & & \text{OUTCOME-} & & \\ \text{PEOPLE WHO} & + & \text{DRIVEN} & = & \text{PRIORITY} \\ \text{NEED US} & & \text{CLUB} & & \text{OUTCOMES} \\ \text{MOST} & & \text{EXPERIENCE} & & \end{array}$$

ACADEMIC SUCCESS – COMPETITIVE GRADUATES

Academic programs give youth a space to explore, experiment, and expand on the lessons learned during the school day. Educationally enriching activities in every area of Club—from the gym, to the art room, and science labs—are intentionally designed to ensure all members have the opportunity to develop self-directed learning skills and foster a life-long desire to learn.

GOOD CHARACTER & LEADERSHIP – 21ST CENTURY LEADERS

It is our signature effort to foster the next generation of leaders, fully prepared to live and lead in a diverse and integrated world. Club members develop a strong peer network, a deeper connection to their community, and an understanding of personal responsibility, social justice, and service through our leadership programs.

HEALTHY LIFESTYLES – HEALTHIER GENERATIONS

Developing good habits early leads to better health and quality of life throughout adulthood. Healthy lifestyles programs teach kids the value of exercise, proper nutrition, fitness, teamwork, sportsmanship, and social & emotional learning.

THE NEED

↓ **23%**

The percentage of central Iowa's third graders who are reading proficiently dropped 23% in the past two years.

DID YOU KNOW?

Our Clubs offer **over 500 different STEM activities** ranging from engineering, geocaching, prairie exploration, robotics, and more.

THE NEED

54%

Currently, middle-skill jobs account for **54% of Iowa's economy.**

49%

However, **only 49% of working Iowans have the skills and postsecondary training needed for these jobs.**

THE NEED

10.6% or over 2.5 million youth in the U.S. have **severe major depression.**

Over 60% of youth with major depression **do not receive any mental health treatment.**

DID YOU KNOW?

All Club members and families have access to a **Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW)** for ongoing support and resource referrals.

OUR EIGHT CLUB LOCATIONS OFFER A VARIETY OF TESTED, PROVEN,
AND NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED PROGRAMS IN THREE CORE AREAS:

Academic
Success

Character &
Leadership

Healthy
Lifestyles

WHAT WE DO

Our educational programs like **Power Hour** (homework help), **STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math), and **Money Matters** (financial literacy) ensure youth will be successful in school and beyond, keep them learning throughout the summer and prepare them to be globally competitive graduates in their future.

OUR IMPACT

91% of Club members are on track to graduate.
72% of Club teens are planning to complete post-secondary education.

WHAT WE DO

Career Pathways, Junior Staff (career readiness) and **Torch Club** (leadership) empower youth to become caring citizens, make positive life choices, and believe they can make a difference in the community.

OUR IMPACT

100% of 9th-12th grade Club members report completing work experience in the past 12 months.
86% of Club members feel like they have the skills needed to be successful in future jobs.

WHAT WE DO

Club members develop problem solving and confidence building skills through programs like SMART Girls, build behavioral and emotional skills through Social-Emotional Learning, incorporate healthy eating habits from daily meals & snacks and weekly Cooking Classes, and engage in regular physical activities to manage stress and improve mental and physical health through Triple Play.

OUR IMPACT

100% of Club members are exposed to Social-Emotional Learning topics weekly.
86% of Club members understand how their emotions influence their actions.

Events

For 60 years, our high-energy events have been an essential piece of our organization and have allowed us to provide much-needed services to thousands of kids year after year. In the past, we hosted events such as the 'World's Largest Garage Sale' and the annual Barn Bash.

TODAY, WE HAVE FOUR SIGNATURE FUNDRAISING EVENTS THAT TAKE PLACE EACH YEAR:

GREAT FUTURES GOLF TOURNAMENT

As the largest annual event fundraiser for Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa, the Great Futures Golf Tournament was initially launched to honor the life of past board president Frank J. Ross, as well as Feisal Sayeed. From 2011 to 2016, BGCCI was proud to partner with the generous Ross family to put on a five-year annual event honoring the work and memory of Frank – the Frank Ross “Play Fore Kids” Memorial Classic (FRMC). In 2015, thanks to the funds raised from the FRMC, BGCCI opened the Frank J. Ross Club at Moore Elementary School.

Following the stunning success of the Frank J. Ross Memorial Classic, which raised more than one million dollars in its five-year run, BGCCI continued the legacy of Frank Ross and the Memorial Classic by launching the

Great Futures Golf Tournament. In addition to a first-rate golf outing, it now provides us a greater opportunity to celebrate, have fun, and most importantly, support the kids and teens in our community.

In 2022, the Great Futures Golf Tournament continued to build on the success of our prior tournaments as it sold out for the 3rd straight year and broke the past record for funds raised by surpassing the \$200,000 mark. This event is viewed as the premier non-profit golf outing in Central Iowa with the opportunity to play at Des Moines Golf & Country Club. I have had the honor of being involved with this event for the last 12 years, most recently serving as the Great Futures Golf Committee Chair. It has been astounding to see the growth of this event.

Mike Ensley, BGCCI Board President

Photo courtesy of
Kyle Stoutenberg





Photo courtesy of
Christopher Maharry

OLD BAGS

In 2022, the 23rd annual Old Bags event broke records, raising more than \$618,000 to support Des Moines youth. Last year's event honored Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa Trustee, Suzie Glazer Burt's late sister, Ellie Glazer Ziegler, and their family's legacy of supporting BGCCI for three generations.

One of our longest running events, Old Bags has been an integral part of Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa's 60-year history. Since the beginning, this event has been spearheaded by our long-time supporter, Suzie Glazer Burt, grand-daughter of founder, Ellis I. Levitt. Old Bags is a very special and unique celebration of women, connection, and of course, purses, all to raise critical funds for our Club kids and teens.

BGCCI has always had an enormous place in my and my family's hearts. I was pleased to bring this event back to Boys & Girls Club where it all started. It was even more special last year because we honored my dear sister and her legacy of giving.

Suzie Glazer Burt, BGCCI Trustee



Photo courtesy of
Christopher Maharry

Events

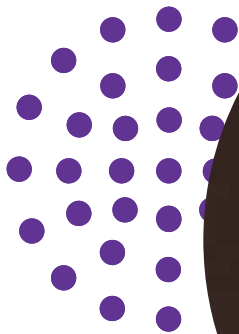


Photo courtesy of
Kyle Stoutenberg

CLUB TALENT SHOW

Since its debut in 2016, the annual Club Talent Show has been a community favorite. Not only has this event provided support to our Club members, but it has given our kids and teens the opportunity to share their voice and incredible talents with our community of supporters. We've seen performances ranging from soloists, dance groups, improv comedy, spoken words, news anchors, musicians, and more! Thanks to our dedicated supporters, the Club Talent Show has raised over \$450,000 throughout the last six years to help create great futures for each and every one of our talented Club members.

The Club Talent Show is special because it's all about the kids. Club members quite literally take center stage, and the audience can take part in celebrating all of their amazing talents. It is also a glimpse into the important work done by our Clubs and the positive impact BGCCI has on so many lives. It has been wonderful to see the growth of this event, and I am proud to be part of it.

Andrea Abel, BGCCI Trustee

Photo courtesy of
Tiatra Li Photography



YOUTH OF THE YEAR

A proud legacy for over 75 years, Youth of the Year has been Boys & Girls Clubs of America's premier recognition program, celebrating the extraordinary achievements of Club members. Youth of the Year participants embody the values of leadership, service, academic excellence, and healthy lifestyles. Through the Youth of the Year program, young people showcase their talents and achievements, share their hopes and dreams, and work toward a bright and positive future.

Youth of the Year was first known as 'Boy of the Year' from 1972 to 1982, and has been known and celebrated as 'Youth of the Year' since 1984. At our annual Youth of the Year event, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa awards its highest honor to one exceptional teen who exemplifies the Boys & Girls Clubs mission and serves as both an ambassador for BGCCI youth and a strong voice for all

Great Futures Society is a unique opportunity to invest in the talented youth of Des Moines. Through mentoring, building relationships, and preparing for the Youth of the Year event, the Great Futures Society is a great way for young professionals in the DSM area to give back. I'm so happy I got involved with Great Futures Society because it's given me an opportunity to give back to my community and spend time getting to know the future world changers in our city!

Emily Schmidt,
Great Futures Society Co-Chair

of our community's young people. In addition to these prestigious duties, former Youth of the Year winners continue to play active roles in their former Clubs and community.

Local Youth of the Year finalists are mentored by BGCCI's Great Futures Society to help prepare them for the annual scholarship competition. The Great Futures Society, BGCCI's young philanthropy group, connects young professionals from various industries and neighborhoods in the greater Des Moines metro to support the youth in our community in reaching great futures.

GREAT FUTURES SOCIETY

Co-Chairs:

Sidney Pezley

Emily Schmidt

Matt Tursi

Members:

Jenni Boyles

Meredith Raduechel

Bryant Engbers

Sydney Ross

Dakota Karthan

A.J. Salinas

Josh Lemon

Jacob Simon

Nathan Paulsen

James Theobald



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Katie McDonald Photography

2022 Highlights

CELEBRATING SUCCESS IN 2022



**VOLUNTEERS
& PARTNERS**

>2,137

VOLUNTEER HOURS



**SUPPORTIVE
COMMUNITY**

**BURT CLUB'S
JUNIOR YOY
CANDIDATES
VISIT KRAUSE
GROUP**

**STEM
LEARNING**

**DEVELOP
PROBLEM-SOLVING
AND CRITICAL
THINKING SKILLS**



TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE TRAINING

100%
OF CLUB STAFF
PARTICIPATED IN
ONGOING TRAINING



OLD BAGS FUNDRAISING EVENT

RECORD-BREAKING
'OLD BAGS IS BACK'

\$618,000
RAISED

FIELD TRIP OPPORTUNITIES

LIBRARY,
KEMIN LABS,
BLANK PARK ZOO
& MORE!



MATT PFALTZGRAF, BGCCI ALUMNI

JOINS BOYS & GIRLS
CLUBS OF AMERICA
HALL OF FAME



Donors

Thank you to all of our donors for opening the door to great futures today, tomorrow, and for generations to come.

We gratefully acknowledge the following donors, who provided essential financial contributions in support of our Club members between January 1, 2022 and December 31, 2022.

LIFETIME GIVING SOCIETIES

Recognizes those generous individuals who have demonstrated their deep commitment to the Clubs by contributing a minimum of \$250,000 during their lifetime. These caring individuals are improving the future of our community by providing critical resources to help Clubs implement successful programs and serve more young people.

Philanthropists

\$2,000,000+

BJ and Tiffany Baker
Gregory* and Suzie Glazer Burt
Michael Frazier* and
Mell Meredith Frazier
Maddie Levitt*

Benefactor

\$1,000,000+

Richard O. Jacobson*

Mentor

\$500,000+

Greg and Andrea Abel
J. Barry* and Michele Griswell
Richard* and Jeanne Levitt
Ellen Glazer Ziegler*

Leader

\$250,000+

Don and Margo Blumenthal
Evans Family Foundation
Steve and Cathy Lacy
John Ruan Foundation

CLUB BLUE

These generous individuals have committed to helping kids on an ongoing basis with their recurring monthly gift, inspiring youth to build great futures.

Jenni Boyles
Tom Cavanagh
Jessica Kagemann

Nathan Paulsen
Meredith Raduechel
Clayton Short

Brett Smith
John Smith
Matthew Tursi

Tony and Roxanne Wilson
Dawn Wright

HERITAGE CLUB

These generous individuals and families have made provisions in their estate plans to ensure that Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Iowa can continue to serve children in our community for years to come.

Betsy and Bryan Boesen
Donald and Patricia Brandt
Wilma E. Breiholz
Greg and Brenda Cushing
Deniz Franke

Matt and Bridget Fryar
Suzie Glazer Burt
Krista Gorsche
Chris and Terry Grady
Annamae Heaps

Kim and David Hegedus
Martie Larsen and David Klinkenburg
Maddie Levitt*
Julie Moore
Dave Olson

Julie Ross
Wilfred A. and Roberta P. Sutcliffe
Patsy Tobis
Mary Lou Warner
Jodie and Brad Warth



GIVING CLUBS



Our Giving Clubs allow us to provide Club memberships to the youth in our community who truly need us most for just \$25 an academic year.

Breaking Barriers | \$25,000+

Provides access to Club services and programming for at least ten children for the entire year through annual gifts of \$25,000 or more.

Greg and Andrea Abel	Matt and Bridget Fryar	Edwin T. Meredith Foundation	U.S. Cellular
BJ and Tiffany Baker	Suzie Glazer Burt	Nationwide	United Way of Central Iowa
Don and Mary Coffin	Iowa Department of Education	Nelson Foundation	Variety - The Children's Charity
Dotdash Meredith	Kemin Industries, Inc.	Office of Juvenile Justice and Prevention	Ellen Glazer Ziegler Foundation
Evans Family Foundation	The Levitt Foundation	John Ruan Foundation	

Enhancing Lives | \$10,000+

Provides access to Club services and programming for at least four children for the entire year through annual gifts of \$10,000 or more.

Greg and Brenda Cushing	Tanner and Hannah Krause	Prairie Meadows	The Weitz Company
Farmers Mutual Hail Insurance	Steve and Cathy Lacy	Principal Charity Classic	Wells Fargo Foundation
Chris and Terry Grady	MidAmerican Energy	Smart Honda Des Moines	Winter Wheat Foundation
Chuck and Tina Howell	NCMIC Group, Inc.	Summit Homes	Kathleen and Larry Zimpleman
John Deere	Panda Cares		

Building Futures | \$2,500+

Provides access to Club services and programming for at least one child for the entire year through annual gifts of \$2,500 or more.

All Star Concrete	Drake University	Chick and Shari Herbert	Patty & Jim Cownie Charitable Fund
Allied Construction Services, Inc.	Dubuque Bank & Trust	Holmes Murphy & Associates, Inc.	Pigott, Inc.
Arby's Foundation	Easter Family Fund	Home Solutions of Iowa	Plumb Supply Company
Athene Annuity and Life Company	Dennis and Candy Elwell	Harriet Hubbell	QCI
Sheri Avis Horner	Endow Iowa Fund	Hy-Vee, Inc.	R&R Realty Group Foundation
Baker Group	Mike and Kori Ensley	Iowa Events Center	Rotary Club of Des Moines A.M.
Bankers Trust	EquiTrust Life Insurance Company	Charles and Jaina Johnson	Thomas Rupprecht
Benson Wealth Management	EveryStep	Shane and Raven Kline	Sammons Financial Group
Don and Margo Blumenthal	Farm Bureau Financial Services	Penny and John Krantz	Sirius Computer Solutions
Harry Bookey and Pamela Bass-Bookey	Mark and Theresa Feldmann	Kum & Go	John and Mary Kay Smith
Jerry and Holly Brantley	First Interstate Bank	Jennifer Lock Oman	Brett Smith and Abby Snyder
Chad Bruntz and Nicole Hunter	Deniz Franke	Loffredo Fresh Foods	Stanley & Mary Seidler Foundation
Buffalo Wild Wings	Franke Miller Group	Linda Glazer Toohey Foundation	Mike Tousley
Burnett Family Foundation	Mell Meredith Frazier	Lisa Macdougall	U.S. Bank
Jason and Pati Burt	GC Facility Consulting	Colleen MacRae Wittmack and Charlie Wittmack	US Erectors, Inc.
BWA Foundation	Sarah and Tom Graf	Chelsea McCracken	Diane Van Wyngarden
CareSource	GreenState Credit Union	Steven and Kelly Medina	West Bank
Central Bank	Ron and Aimee Grensteiner	Merchants Bonding Company Foundation	White Cap
David Chapman	John R. and Zelda Z. Grubb Foundation	Cleo Jean Olson	Brent Wilberts
Steve and Melissa Chapman	Molly and David Harris	Jill and Mark Oman	William C. Knapp Charitable Foundation
Community State Bank	Steve and Rachel Hauschilt	David Osthus	
Tiffany and Morgan Deal	Hensen Webb Group - RBC Wealth Management		
Tony and Kim Dickinson			

*Denotes Deceased

Creating Hope | \$1,000+

Provides field trips and transportation for one Club member for the entire year through annual gifts of \$1,000 or more.

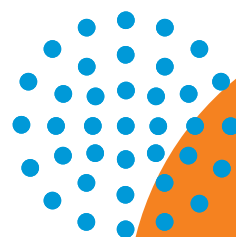
1st Interiors, Inc.	Jody L. Galloway	Lincoln Savings Bank	Michael Rodriguez
Abbott Pitts Family Charitable Fund	Eileen Gannon	Steven Marquardt	SAI Pi Chapter
Sophia Ahmad	Onnalee and Mike Gettler	Doug and Kate Massop	Steve and Renee Schaaf
Assured Partners	Dave Gibson and Sandy Hovey	Mike McCoy	Lana and Charlie Schafer
David and Leanne Baccile	Marvin and Virginia Gilliland	Dan C. McPhail	Martin and Sherry Schafer
BC Consulting LLC	Great Southern Bank	Mediacom	Scheels
Belin McCormick	Jeffrey and Sandra Hatfield Clubb	Ruth Meredith	Paul and Claudia Schickler
Michelle Book	Michael and Deborah Hubbell	Midwest Premier Foods	John and Julie Schreurs
John and Julie Bruntz	IMT Insurance Company	George and Debra Milligan	Erica and Joshua Schultes
Cmelik Law Office	Insurance Systems Group, Inc.	Minor Family Foundation Fund	Ryan and Lezlee Schutty
Concrete Technologies, Inc.	Iowa Cubs	Neumann Brothers	David and Heidi Slinker
Dentons Davis Brown P.C.	Iowa Delta Chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon	Bill and Lisa Northup	Summit Commercial Construction
Dickinson, Mackaman, Tyler, & Hagen, P.C.	Iowa Foundation for Education, Environment, and the Arts	Bill Noth	Summit Equity Group LLC
Janet and Duane Dinville	Iowa Total Care	Wayne and Julie Nyberg	SVPA Architects
Samuel Early	Ross Junge	Per Mar Security	Tony and Channon Timm
Shaun Fay	Bruce and Susan Kelley	Cullen Powers	Travis Wachendorf
Dr. Marshall Flapan	Gerald Kirke	Kathi and Kevin Prien	The Waldinger Corporation
John Fletcher	KPMG, LLP	Jeff Pullen	Mary Ann Wallace
Nathan Franje	Lisa Kruidenier	Deb Pulver	Waukee-Clive Veterinary Clinic
Pamela Gallagher	Kyle and Sharon Krause Family Foundation	Karla Radda	Tony and Roxanne Wilson
Rosalie Gallagher	Lederer Weston Craig, PLC	Jeff Rader	Dawn Wright
		John Ridgeway	Kevin Zaugg
		Jessica and Jason Ringena	Zirous, Inc.

Inspiring Leaders | \$500+

Provides meals and snacks for one Club member for the entire year through annual gifts of \$500 or more.

515 Farms	Elite Glass and Metal	Darci Leader	Robert Half
Ahlers & Cooney, P.C.	Phillip Fay	Liz Lidgett	Michael Roberts
Heather Armstrong	Sam and Rochelle Fisher	Scott and Denise Linn	Joleen Roskamp
Gregg Gustafson and Peg Armstrong-Gustafson	Jayne and Joe Fry	Laura Lockard	Kimberly and Craig Shadur
Athene & Apollo Finance	John and Karen Goodenow	Jill and Ronald Maahs	Bruce and Barbara Sherman
Erin and Bill Bailey	Grateful Fund	John and Jean Matovina	Sandy Sposato
Betts Foundation	Gutfreund Family Fund	Clark and Stacy McDermott	Rachel and James Stauffer
Robert and Marlene Buckley	Haas Family Fund	Kevin and Dana Meier	Kari Taylor
John Requist and Jill Burnett Requist	Jonathan Hampton	Joseph and Mary Merchant	Alana Trimble
Thomas and Bonnie Busse	Ginny and Mark Haviland	Marcie and Jay Morrison	Matthew Tursi
Joseph and Paula Cerne	Elizabeth Hoak	Nalika Nanayakkara	Walmart Supercenter
Joe and Cyndy Coppola	Invision	Northwest Bank	Brad and Jodie Warth
Mike and Connie Dickinson	Josephs Jewelers	Stephanie Poetry	Rich and Kim Willis
Doll Distributing LLC	Jessica Kagemann	Thomas Press and Donna Paulsen	Chip and Maria Wittern
Laura and Mike Draper	Kelly Cortum, Inc.	Randal & John Stern Fund	Sumner and Karen Worth
Eide Bailly LLP	Kelsey and Sean Knowles	Reynolds & Reynolds, Inc.	Youth Development Fund
	KONE	Stanley Reynolds*	
	Barbara Lawson	Mary Riche	

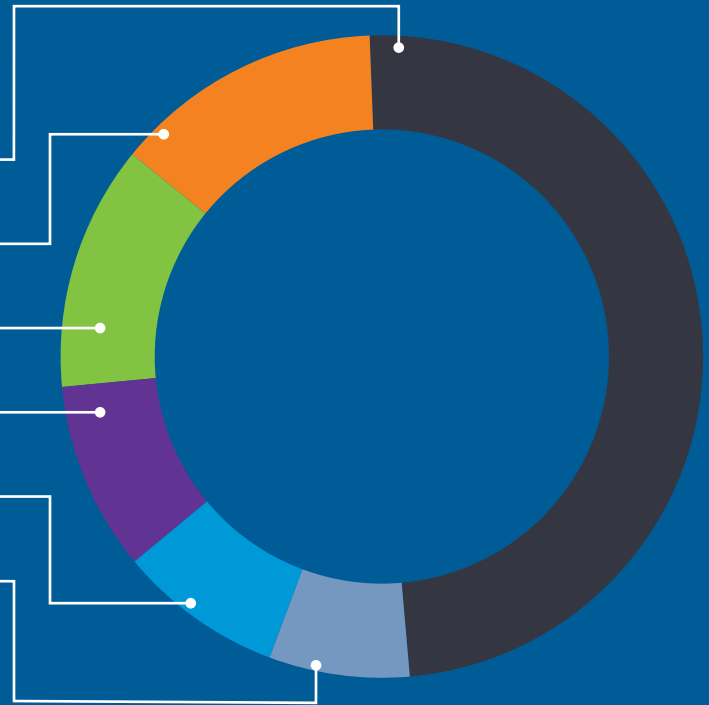
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Financial Overview

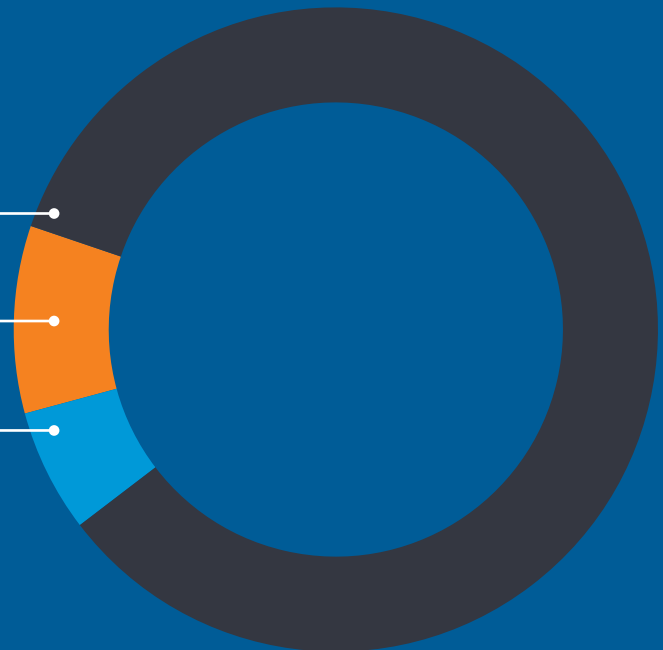
FISCAL YEAR 2022 INCOME

Government Grants	\$1,959,627	49%
Earned Income	\$539,718	14%
Individual Contributions	\$491,678	12%
United Way Contributions	\$378,500	10%
Corporate Contributions	\$330,632	8%
Event Income	\$281,400	7%
Income Total		\$3,981,555



FISCAL YEAR 2022 EXPENSES

Program Services	\$2,979,568	84%
Administrative	\$332,137	9%
Fundraising	\$218,276	6%
Expense Total		\$3,529,981





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