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2017 Community Impact Report

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF WHATCOM COUNTY

grow OUR MISSION

In 2017 we wanted to extend our mission further to serve even more Whatcom County youth. After years of determined efforts we were awarded the 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant. Thanks to the grant, we are able to serve up to 120 new youth in East Whatcom County at two learning sites: Kendall Elementary School and Mount Baker Junior High. We are proud to help guide even more young people toward Great Futures. Within our four Clubhouses we continued to support our members as they pursue academic success, healthy lifestyles and good character & citizenship through targeted programs and dedicated staff. Our accomplishments in 2017 could not have been achieved without the support of our community. Thank you!

youth of THE YEAR

Since 1947, Youth of the Year has been Boys & Girls Clubs of America's premier recognition program, celebrating the extraordinary achievements of Club members. The journey of this prestigious leadership program begins locally and progresses to state, regional and national levels. Each year, one exceptional young person from a Boys & Girls Club rises to the role of National Youth of the Year. Seven youth from our Whatcom County Clubhouses began their Youth of the Year journey in 2017 with the help of volunteer mentors and staff members. Each Club member developed goals and strategies for success to encourage them to dream big. Participants gain public speaking and writing skills in addition to a sense of confidence and accomplishment. They also serve as an exemplary ambassador for their Clubhouse and strong voice for the kids in our community.

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2017 FINANCIALS*

INCOME	
Individual Donations	224,359
Business Donations	210,454
Foundations/Grants	472,120
Program Fees	447,978
Membership	98,899
In Kind	64,573
Special Events/Fundraising	456,336
Miscellaneous	**16,250**
Total	**1,990,969**

EXPENSES	
Programs	1,224,055
Administration	286,888
Facilities	133,881
Special Events/Fundraising	269,636
Dues/Licensing	12,575
Total	**1,927,035**

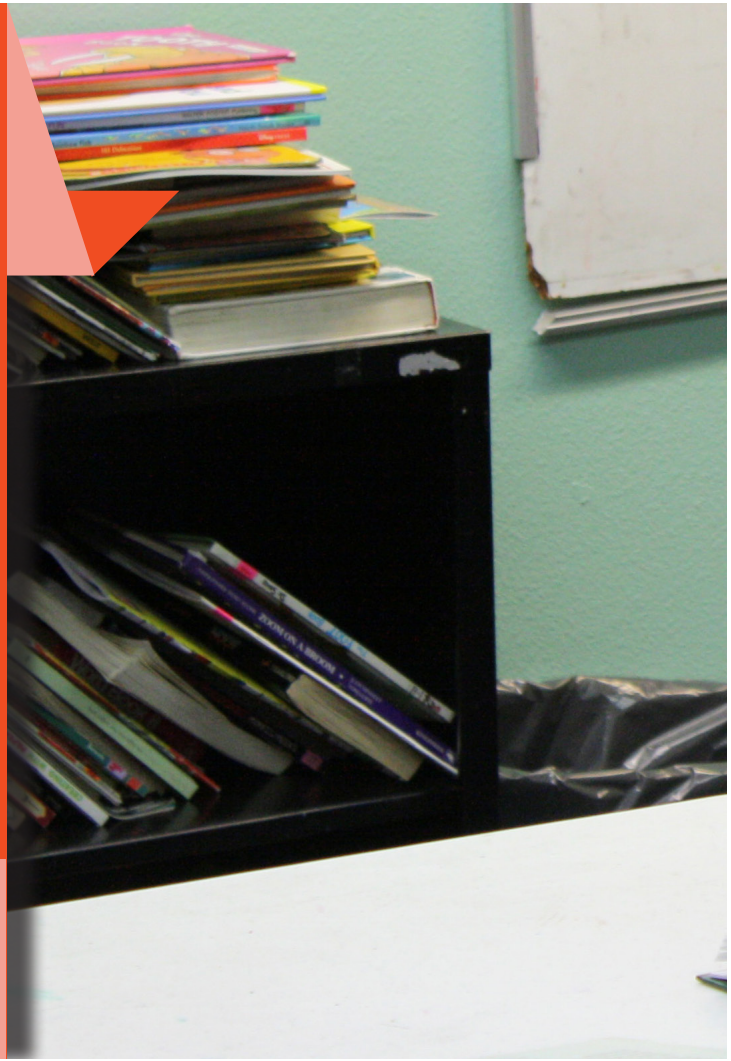
*All figures are estimated year-end and unaudited.

academic SUCCESS

We believe that fostering academic success extends beyond the classroom for students of all ages. Clubhouses host quiet spaces designed to give all of our members the opportunity to study and complete homework in a positive environment. Staff assist with academic assignments and teach our members about general study habits that they carry with them beyond our walls. Programs like Summer Brain Gain, which is focused on keeping students scholastically engaged over the summer, are both fun and challenging. Each of our four Clubhouses promote acitve learning with hands-on programs that are both fun and educational. All of our nationally-proven programs are designed to help students graduate high school and have plans for the future.

- **2017 MEMBERSHIP AGE**

  6-9yrs 37% | 10-12yrs 42% | 13-15yrs 15%
  16-18yrs 6%



FACTS

COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

How do we ensure a prosperous future for youth when they are likely to earn just $16,000 - $25,000 in Whatcom County without a high school diploma?[1]

CLUBS' SOLUTION

- **1,771 members participated in 29 different Academic Success programs**
- **247 STEM sessions offered**
- **Clubs provide daily opportunities for homework assistance**

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good CITIZENSHIP

We teach our members the importance of being responsible, engaged citizens and innovative, resilient leaders. Our programs are designed to instill values like accountability, respect, and generosity. With strong staff support, members learn how to use their voices to make an impact in their communities. Leading by example, staff show members how to make smart choices. Programs like Torch Club, Million Hours of Service, Keystone, and Junior Staff all work to empower our youth while teaching them to be well-rounded citizens.

- **2017 MEMBERSHIP ETHNICITY**
  Hispanic / Latino 6% | Multi-Racial 10% | Caucasian 76%
  Native American 3% | African American 2% | Asian 3%

FACTS

COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

How do we provide positive spaces for growth and opportunity when 42% of Whatcom County households are struggling to afford basic needs?[2]

CLUBS' SOLUTION

- **113 members participated in the Junior Staff program**
- **303 members participated in 71 community service projects**
- **853 youth participated in cooperative games**

2 2016 United Way ALICE Report

athletic PROGRAMS

Youth sports play an important role to enhance social, emotional, and physical growth in children. Our athletic programs are about much more than winning or losing games. Participants learn integral skills like teamwork, communication, discipline, and how to receive both positive and constructive feedback. As part of a team, kids develop strong relationships with their peers and mentors. Hundreds of volunteer coaches support year-round sports making it possible for every child to participate at a low cost. Kids also are able to have fun and be active in safe environments with dependable adult supervision.

- **2017 MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS**
  Total Members: 5,027 | 63% Boys | 37% Girls

FACTS

COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

How do we address health risks like obesity and diabetes when 72% of 6th graders in Whatcom County are not meeting the daily exercise recommendation? [3]

CLUBS' SOLUTION

- **2,842 youth participated in our athletics program**
- **Nearly 500 volunteers coached and mentored our players**
- **2,373 games were played over four seasons in 2017**

3 Washington State Health Youth Survey 2016

healthy LIFESTYLES

Teaching the value of nutrition and exercise to kids at a young age builds a foundation that is essential to an active life. This year we taught members the importance of eating local, seasonal fruits and veggies. Not only does our Healthy Foods program incorporate healthy options, it is a fun and engaging way to teach members how to cook and plan meals. Our fitness and SMART programs offered ways to learn how to be socially, emotionally and physically fit. Our staff understand that mental health is just as essential as physical health as youth navigate tough choices. No matter how our members were feeling throughout the year, the Club provided a safe place to be themselves every day.

- **2017 MEMBERSHIP FACT**
  50% of our Clubhouse members qualify for free or reduced lunch programs

FACTS

COMMUNITY CHALLENGE

How do we teach kids the importance of nutrition when 76% of Whatcom County 8th graders eat less than five fruits or vegetables daily?[4]

CLUBS' SOLUTION

- **75,749 nutritious meals and snacks served**
- **1,093 Club members participated in Healthy Lifestyle programming**
- **339 Club members participated in Positive Action programming**

4 Washington State Healthy Youth Survey 2016

2017
YEAR IN REVIEW

JAN: Youth of the Year Celebration Dinner at the Ferndale Clubhouse

FEB: 3rd Annual Bourbon Street Bingeaux at the Bellingham Clubhouse

MAR: Members participated in the National Youth Outcome Initiative Survey

APR: 3rd Annual Countywide Gala & Auction

MAY: Performed Program Quality Assessments

JUNE: BP commits to funding the refinishing of the Bellingham Clubhouse gym floor

"Think only of the past as its remembrance gives you pleasure."

- Jane Austen

JULY: Hosted first international program with 20 South Korean exchange students

AUG: Hosted the first Paella Dinner at the Squalicum Boathouse to launch the 2017 Great Futures Campaign

SEPT: 3rd Annual Cornhole Tournament at the Ferndale Clubhouse

OCT: Launched a community service initative within the Clubs

NOV: Inaugural Lynden Thanks & Giving Breakfast and the 18th Annual All County Breakfast

DEC: Inaugural Blaine Bingo at the Blaine Clubhouse

donors

Thank you for helping us build Great Futures for the youth of Whatcom County. Because of your generosity we are able to offer membership to every child in need, regardless of their ability to pay. While it costs $1,500 per member to run programs for one year, our annual fee is just $30. Investing in the mission of this organization allows us to reach those who need us most.

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2018 DATES TO KNOW

Youth of the Year Community Dinner
Tuesday, January 23
@ Ferndale Clubhouse

Bourbon Street Bingeaux
Saturday, February 24
@ Bellingham Clubhouse

Inspire Higher Dreams Gala
Friday, April 27
@ Silver Reef Casino Resort

Cornhole Tourney
Saturday, September 29
@ Ferndale Clubhouse

Blaine Bingo
Saturday, October 27
@ Blaine Clubhouse

Lynden Breakfast
Tuesday, November 13
@ Lynden Clubhouse

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