



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS**  
OF SPRINGFIELD

## Our Mission

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

2023

# IMPACT REPORT



## The Club Experience

Boys & Girls Clubs fill the gap between school and home. We provide welcoming, positive environments in which kids and teens have fun, participate in life-changing programs, and build supportive relationships with peers and caring adults.

## Our Reach & Demographics

**84%**

Ages 12  
and  
Younger

**16%**

Ages 13  
and  
Older

**40%**

Minority  
Races and/or  
Ethnicities

**75%**

Qualify for  
Free or  
Reduced  
Lunch

**52%**

Live in  
Single-Parent  
Homes

**7**

Locations in  
Springfield



**199**

Trained Adult  
Staff Members



**4k**

Youth  
Served



**100**

Family  
Programs



**140k**

Snacks Or  
Meals Served



**614**

Trained  
Volunteers



## Nic Wetzel

2024 Springfield  
Youth of the Year

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Throughout all of my life the Club has been here for me, including my mistakes and downfalls but also my best moments. I owe the fact that I could get through all of that to my family, which includes the Club and its staff. Since I was a kid, the Club has been teaching me self-respect, responsibility, and kindness.

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# Demonstrating Our Positive Impact



## Academic Success



### The Need

Springfield's school district is tackling **achievement gaps** among a variety of categories including disparate performance by income and race.

Springfield Community Focus Report

### What We Do

Programs like Power Hour, Tutoring, STEM, Music Lessons, and more allow members to **bridge academic gaps** & foster a love for learning.

### Our Impact

**95%** of Club members 9 and older report performing at **grade-level or higher**, and **92%** of youth believe they will **graduate** from high school.

### Success Story

"At Musgrave, I found my love for reading. I can read anything from biographies to Harry Potter and enjoy it." - Pas R.

## The Need

**Social** and **emotional** learning (SEL) matters a great deal for important life outcomes like success in **school**, college entry & later earnings.

Princeton-Brookings

## What We Do

Programs like Keystone and Torch Club teach youth to be **civically engaged**. Mentoring & Positive Action help youth respond positively to their feelings.

## Our Impact

**86%** of Club members ages 9 and up say they can **stand up for what** they think **is right**, even if their friends disagree. **70%** volunteer at least once per month.

## Success Story

"It is a place where I can escape school and just hang out and play. Last year was VERY stressful, but the Club gives me a break from all that stress!" - Silas D.

## Character & Citizenship



## Healthy Lifestyles



### The Need

**13.9%** of youth in Greene County seriously considered **suicide** in the last year. In Missouri, **31%** of youth are considered **overweight** or obese.

Missouri Student Survey, Child Health Data

### What We Do

From serving **140K** snacks & **meals** to providing opportunities for physical fitness and mental well-being, the Clubs promote **healthy lifestyles**.

### Our Impact

**74%** of Club members ages 9 and older report getting at least an hour of **physical activity** on three or more days per week.

### Success Story

"I learned how to make friends and how to deal with people that are rude in a non-harmful way. Here at the Club, we have gone bird watching and played flag football outside." - Owen S.

# Our Current Strategic Initiatives

## A Teen Center

As one of the only after school providers that intentionally serves teens, we intend to open a **new location** dedicated to addressing workforce readiness, mental health, & equitable access to **opportunity**.

## Service Expansion

The childcare **need** is dire. We intend to expand services to the communities that need us most within **Springfield**.

## Improved Internal Infrastructure

In order to attract and retain staff, our wages must be **competitive**, and our internal infrastructure must be strong. We are working diligently to become an **employer of choice** based on mission, culture, pay, & opportunity.

## How You Can Help



With your generous support, Boys & Girls Clubs of Springfield will create opportunities to help more kids and teens achieve great futures. To make a donation or learn more, visit: [bgclubspringfield.org](https://bgclubspringfield.org) or follow us:



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