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Boys & Girls & Your Support & Graduation

Help Families Break the Cycle of Poverty

The Club Will Give \$900,000+ in Scholarships in 2019

The Club will give low-income families more than \$900,000 in scholarships this year so that their children can attend the Boys & Girls Club. That means that **families will pay only what they can afford for all of the Club's programs.** Scholarship support helps with before and after school care, infant care, full days for school age kids in the summer, evening tutoring, and lots more. That's only possible because of generous donors like you.

More than 80% of the parents whose families are part of our scholarship program say that they could not work at their current jobs without the Boys & Girls Club stepping in to make childcare affordable for their family. The other 20% say that their kids would be home alone.

One Fountain Valley mom says, "I am a **single parent**, I grew up in the foster system and I have a very limited support system when it comes to taking care of my kids. For the past few years I have worked hard to change

my socioeconomic status so that my children and I can live more comfortably. I am a **fulltime student and I work fulltime** as well. Without the Boys & Girls Club's scholarship program, I would not be able to go to school or work at my current job."

By supporting the Boys & Girls Club and its scholarship program, you are doing a lot more than giving kids an amazing place to learn and play. **You are giving families the opportunity to break the cycle of poverty.** Every day, this mom shows her kids the value of hard work and that each person has the ability to change their lives for the better. But, we all know that sometimes, you need a little help along the way. That's where you come in. **Thanks to you, she can count on the Boys & Girls Club** to help her through this time while she is getting the education she needs to change her family's financial situation for good. **Thank you for being there for her when she needs you the most.**



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Our Youth of the Year - Amanda Hay

Your Support Changed Amanda's Life for the Better

Throughout the year, each branch of our Boys & Girls Club honors children as "Kids of the Week," then "Kids of the Month." Then, the Club selects one extraordinary child to represent our organization in Boys & Girls Clubs of America's national Youth of the Year competition. Our annual Youth of the Year honorees embody all the values of the Boys & Girls Club. They show kindness, caring, generosity, creativity, and determination. They are motivated and they are accomplishing great things. Most of all, their community is a better place for having them as a part of it. We are proud to announce that Amanda Hay was chosen as Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley's 2019 Youth of the Year.

Amanda has some words to share with you about her 10+ years at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley. We hope her story will inspire you and help you learn more about how your support of the Boys & Girls Club is changing children's lives for the better. Here's what Amanda has to say:

"I first walked through the doors of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley in 2008 to audition for a musical. My parents wanted a way to redirect my wild energy and introduce me to the performing arts, but it quickly became much more than that. **I discovered my passion** for the arts and took advantage of opportunities to shine both on and off the stage.

Not only was I taking dance and theater classes, I soon began to lead them, too, first as a teacher's assistant, then as a choreographer, teacher, and assistant director. Through leading classes for younger children, I found my sense of direction in life. That direction and purpose, along with support from the Club, got me through the toughest parts of my life.

During my junior year of high school, I wanted to be a perfect student while at the same time supporting my family through financial and medical struggles. All that pressure led to a series of horrible anxiety attacks. But the Club's staff was my saving grace, always making sure that I was OK. **When you support the Boys & Girls Club, you're helping kids like me find that support system when they need it most.**



From giving me a second home, to helping me discover my passion for the arts, to helping me develop the skills that I need to be a leader in my community, the Boys and Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley has completely changed my life for the better. **With your support, the Club opened the door to my great future.** Next year I will attend Vanguard University and I hope to become an arts therapist and pay it forward to another generation of kids, helping them on the path to their great futures. Your support makes a difference – thank you!"

Are you ready to help more kids like Amanda? Use the enclosed envelope or visit bgchv.com/give

Boys & Girls & Partnerships & Teamwork

The Club Teams Up with Surf City Rotary & FV Kiwanis Joint Special Events Help Support Community Projects

The Club is proud to partner with both Surf City Rotary Club of Huntington Beach and the Kiwanis Club of Fountain Valley for annual special events. Proceeds of our partner events help each organizations raise much needed funds to help make a difference to the people in our community who need it most.

Rotary-Surf City Splash

In March, more than 200 community members came together for a night of dinner, dancing, auctions and fun at Surf City Splash. This event supports both Surf City Rotary Club of Huntington Beach and Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley. Each organization received \$40,000 from the proceeds. These funds are an important part of the \$1.3 million in donations needed this year to keep the Club's programs affordable for all families through free and discounted programming. And, the event also helps Surf City Rotary make a difference by supporting other special community projects like helping local seniors, reuniting siblings separated in foster care, helping homeless families get into apartments, and helping eradicate polio worldwide. **This fun annual event is always a good time - mark your calendar now for March 14, 2020 and we hope to see you there next year!**

Kiwanis-Pins for Kids

On August 3, 2019, the Club will team up with Kiwanis Club of Fountain Valley for its 11th Annual Pins for Kids Bowling Tournament in Fountain Valley. Proceeds will be shared between the Boys & Girls Club and the Kiwanis Club. There is room for 60 teams of four bowlers, so sign up now to reserve your spot! We don't care if you bowl 60 or better than 200 – it's for fun and for the kids. You'll help give more than 11,000 children access to the Boys & Girls Club's award-winning programs. And, you'll help Kiwanis Club give college scholarships, mentor youth, and make sure disadvantaged youth get the clothing essentials they need. Ready to help our community's kids? You can sign up online now at bgchv.com/pins.



GREAT FUTURES START HERE.

The Boys & Girls Club of Huntington Valley has been changing children's and families' lives for over ten years in the Huntington Beach and Fountain Valley community for more than 50 years!

At the Club, you can attend exciting staff and volunteer-led programming. We're here to help your child build their

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Come See Us Online New Website and Online Registration

Thanks to Turnkey Marketing, Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley has a brand new website. CEO Tanya Hoxsie says, "The donation of a new website was a real game changer for us, helping parents find us online so we can reach the families who need us. Thank you, Turnkey!"

One of the new features that we are most excited about is that families are now able to register online. Come check us out at bgchv.com or sign up for one of the Club's programs at bgchv.com/register.



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Join us August 8 for a Gift Giving Party at the Hyatt!

The Club's "Great Futures Start Here" Annual Benefit Dinner & Auction will raise \$525,000 this October, but only if we have lots of great auction items to sell! Will you help? Join us on August 8th from 5:30pm – 7:30pm at the Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa for a fun evening of great food and good friends. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks are hosted by the Hyatt. Enjoy the beautiful ocean view, bring your friends, and have some fun while helping the kids at the Club!



Your "ticket" to this great evening is simply for each guest to bring the Boys & Girls Club a **gift valued at \$50 or more** that can be used as an auction item at the Club's Annual Benefit. Ideas for your tax-deductible gift

include gift cards for restaurants, shopping or services, sports tickets, bottles of wine or liquor, collectibles, handmade items, tools, jewelry, etc. All gifts must be new or collector's items – no used items, please.

Ready to RSVP? Visit bgchv.com/giftparty or call Katrina at 714-899-5900, ext. 208.

Thank You McKenna Subaru and Subaru of America



Thank you for teaming up with the Club for the second year in a row for the Share the Love event. This year, Subaru raised \$26,000 for the Club, with support for our Haynes Family HB Branch. In the last two years, McKenna Subaru has donated \$88,000 to benefit the kids. We can't thank them enough!

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Golf Tournament Sets New Records

Thanks to **JMG Security Systems, Pacific Premier Bank** and more than 300 golfers and sponsors, the JMG Security Systems 24th Annual Benefit Golf Tournament was a huge success! The event raised a record breaking \$135,000 to help the Club make a difference to kids in need.

This year's event was a total sellout with more than 300 golfers and a waiting list of eager supporters. The Club is so grateful to have such a strong community of supporters who put our community's kids at the top of their list of priorities.

The golf tournament and all of the fundraising events that the Club invites you to are an important part of raising the **\$1.3 million needed each year** to make sure that every child who needs the Boys & Girls Club in their life has access to it. Those funds are vital for the Club to continue to offer free programs and sliding scale scholarships so families pay only what they can afford. Not only that, it helps the Club keep its afterschool program fees at about 60% less than the average cost of care for school age kids reported in the 2018 Conditions of Children in Orange County Report.

A single dad named Ruben spoke at the event and shared how the Club makes a difference to his family. His two daughters attend the Club's preschool and after school program.

"I've come a long way in my life. From being part of a gang, to going to prison, to starting my life over and putting my kids first. These days, everything I do is for my kids, trying to give them a better life than I had. The Boys & Girls Club helps me do that by giving my girls a safe place to spend their days, with staff that care about them. The Club is a huge blessing. But, I couldn't do it without the scholarship program. **Thank you for being one of the Club supporters that helps me give my kids a better life.**"

If you missed the golf tournament, but would still like to make a difference to a family like Ruben's you can visit bgchv.com/golf.



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Partners in Community Policing

Kids and Cops Get to Know Each Other

What do you get when you put together at-risk kids and our local cops? The beginning of a beautiful friendship!

Our Club is proud to be a long-time partner with our local law enforcement agencies. In fact, our current Board President is Huntington Beach's Chief of Police Rob Handy. As a board member for several years, his involvement with the Club has made a big impact on



helping keep our Club's kids as safe as they can be, including helping the Club develop award-winning safety policies and procedures.

However, the Chief and our team at the Club know that children's safety is about much more than policies and procedures. Positive relationships between adults and kids are a very important part of the bigger picture in keeping kids safe. Our local police department puts a big emphasis on community policing, which focuses on building ties between the police and members of the community.

Helping kids see the police as friends rather than adversaries is an important part of that.

To help build that kind of positive relationship between our Club kids and our local police, the kids got a visit from Officer Ryan of the Huntington Beach Police Department. Unit Director Alejandra Morales says, "Our kids had a lot of fun getting to know Officer Ryan! They asked questions about what it was like being a police officer, and loved checking out all of his gear. Officer Ryan loved playing ping pong and foosball with our members. We had a blast with him. **Now, the kids at our Club know that the police are people you can count on** and that you can talk to when you have a problem you need help with."

Gardening Club Helps Kids Learn About Nutrition

Good nutrition is an important part of every child's healthy development, and that should always include lots of fruits and vegetables. Most of the kids at our Clubs do not have their own backyards or gardens where they might get a chance to learn about fruits and vegetables. For many, food just seems to magically appear at the grocery store and they aren't always sure what kind of a plant the fruits and vegetables they eat grow from. But, **they are curious and eager to find out how their food is grown!** So, when they are at the Club, the kids take advantage of the beautiful green space at each of our locations as well as the garden beds that our volunteers have helped create.



This spring, our Gardening Club planted strawberries, corn, cilantro, and more in our Club gardens. The Gardening Club members are learning about weeding, watering, and plant life cycles as they tend the garden throughout the spring and summer. And, as their fruits and vegetables ripen, the kids will continue their learning in our teaching kitchens. There, our Club staff give nutrition lessons with the kids about eating a varied and **healthy diet full of fruits and vegetables**. The kids then learn how to prepare healthy snacks and meals using the food that they've helped grow. Their favorite part, of course, is getting to eat the delicious foods that they've grown in their very own garden!

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Change Lives Through the Endowment Program Celebrating Our Past Securing Our Future

For more than 50 years, Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley has been changing children's lives for the better. Our community counts on the Boys & Girls Club, and we're committed to always being here for the families that need the Club in their lives. That's why the Club is working toward building a substantial endowment.

The endowment will help sustain the Club for the long-term, keep the organization in a stable financial position no matter what changes may happen in the economy in the years to come, and help the organization grow as our community's needs grow.

So far, generous donors like you have committed more than \$250,000 to this important campaign. Your support is promise that the Club will be here changing children's lives for the better not just today but for generations to come. Will you join this special group of forward thinking donors who are making a promise to our community's kids?

Endowment supporter Bob Hoxsie says, "I joined this Boys & Girls Club when I was a little kid. I loved it so much, I never left. I've volunteered with the Club for years, because once you're a Club kid, you're always a Club kid. You see what a difference it makes and you want to be able to give that gift to another generation of kids. My wife and I decided to support the endowment and join Club 50 because **we want to make sure that the Boys & Girls Club is always here for the kids who need it most in our community.**"

Will you join the Hoxsies and all of our endowment supporters in making a gift to secure the Club's future? You can use the enclosed envelope to make your gift or go online to bgchv.com/give. If you'd like to set up a recurring gift, make a long-term pledge, or include the Club's endowment in your estate plans, please call 714-309-4962 or email laura@bgchv.com.

