



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF HUNTINGTON VALLEY

We're here to do **WHATEVER IT TAKES**
For the kids who need us the most.
ALWAYS.

Spring 2020



MY 2020
COVID-19
TIME CAPSULE



BY: Matthew

In-Person Programs

5 SITES OPEN

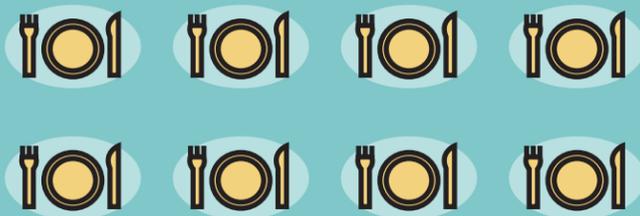


2 Preschools 3 School Age Clubs



Proud to be the only Boys & Girls Club in Orange County to remain open for essential services families throughout the entire COVID-19 crisis

Children Served 300 per day



1,000 Meals Served Each Week

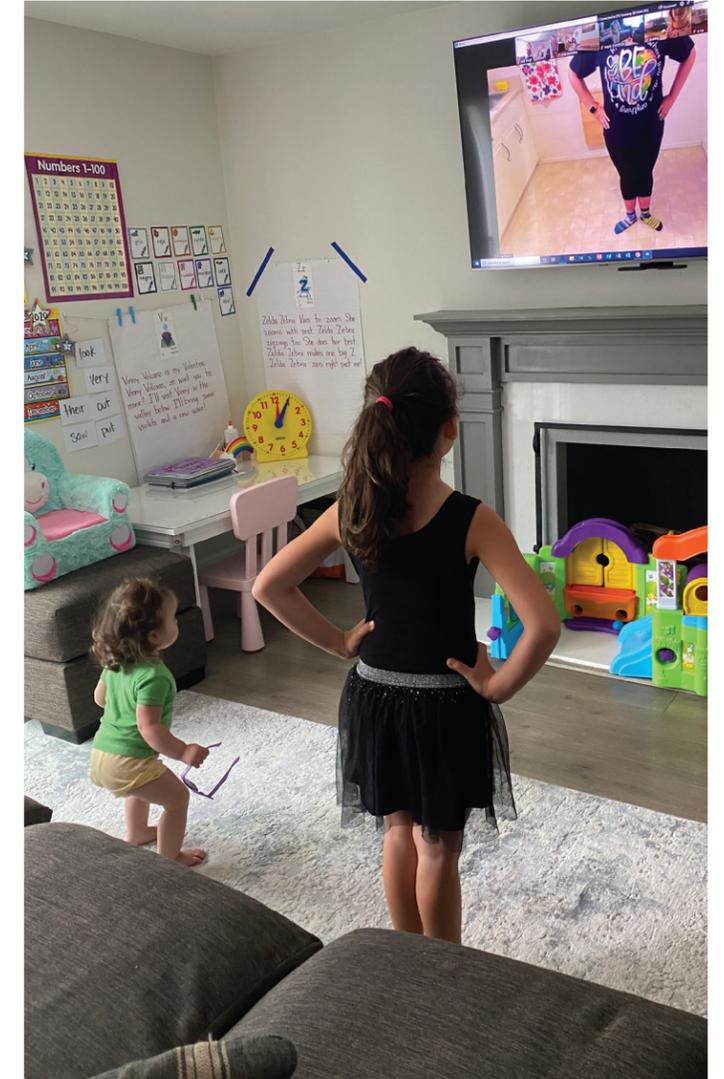
Online Programs

Free Online Activities for Club Members



Kinder Time, Cooking, Yoga SMART Kids, Art and More!

Total Youth Served since COVID-19



Dance, Theatre, and Martial Arts Classes on Zoom

35 Each Week



**620 Enrollments
383 Unduplicated Youth**



Squeaky Clean Thanks to Simple Green

Safety has always been the Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley's #1 priority. Now, in this time of COVID-19, it becomes more important than ever that our facilities are as sparkling clean and germ free as they can possibly be.

The Club is very grateful to have a longstanding partnership with Simple Green. For the last several years, Simple Green has provided every single cleaning product the Club needs, all free of charge.

When news of the virus hit, Simple Green COO Jeff Hyder said to the Club's staff, "Just tell me what you need and I'll pull it off the line for you. We're shipping out orders as fast as we can make them, but I want to make sure you have everything you need at the Club." That commitment to our community's kids is what makes this partnership so special!

Thanks to Simple Green's support, the Club's staff members are able to clean and sanitize throughout the day with no fear of spending too much on cleaning supplies and no fear of being unable to replenish our supplies. One Club mom's comment says it all: "Thank you for keeping our babies safe!"

THANK YOU, Simple Green!



Your Support Keeps the Club Going

The funding gap between the modest fees the Club collects and the cost of staying open at our five Club sites is more than \$25,000 per week or \$5,000 per day. We thank the following donors who have made a big difference by helping our Club stay open throughout the entire COVID-19 crisis:

\$25,000 – Sponsoring One Week
 Fountain Valley Community Foundation
 Heads Up Youth Foundation
 Heads Up Youth Foundation Matching Gift Donors
 Hoag Hospital

\$20,000 – Sponsoring Four Days
 CocaCola Foundation
 Resilience Fund
 Wells Fargo

\$15,000 – Sponsoring Three Days
 Kingston Technology

\$10,000 – Sponsoring Two Days
 AHA Living Resources
 Kiwanis Club of Huntington Beach
 Liberty Mutual & Safeco Insurance

\$5,000 – Sponsoring One Day
 Kiwanis Club of Fountain Valley
 Kupferstein Family Foundation

This outpouring of generosity has been tremendous. Yet, it still covers only about 9 weeks of the funding gap and we have passed the 9 week mark in this crisis. As we continue to keep the Clubs open for the families who need it most, the Club still needs your support.

To join this roster of heroes, please use the enclosed envelope or make your gift today at bgchv.com.



Serving Essential Service Provider Families

“My husband and I are both ER nurses, and we’ve got a one year old and a four year old, who both attend the Boys & Girls Club’s Robert Mayer Preschool. I will never forget working in the ER, watching the closures of the schools in surrounding counties, just waiting for the call from the Boys & Girls Club that they were closing their doors due to COVID-19. To my surprise, it NEVER happened. I personally called every day, worrying about what my husband and I would do with our children if everyone were home not working, while we remain on the front lines working overtime. Every time I called, I was consistently reassured in a sweet, loving, and supporting way, that the Boys & Girls Club would remain open. I don’t know what my family would do without the Boys & Girls Club.”

Stories like these from one of our Robert Mayer Child Development Preschool families are exactly why the Club made the decision to stay open and keep providing care for the children of essential service providers.

Part of the Club’s mission is to help those who need us most. Right now, the children who need us most have parents who have to go to work each day. Their parents are healthcare workers – doctors, nurses, medical assistants, orderlies, and more. Their parents are grocery store workers and important parts of the supply chain that help you have all the supplies you need to stay home and stay safe. Their parents are the people that you count on to keep our community up and running, even in the worst of times.

And each of those parents that you count on? Well, they all count on the Boys & Girls Club. Instead of leaving a 2nd grader home alone all day to fend for themselves, parents know their child can come to the Club. Instead of having to quit their job and stay home with a toddler, parents know they can drop their little ones off at the Club’s preschool and head to work confident that their child will be well cared for. Moms and dads know that when their kids are at the Boys & Girls Club, they don’t have to worry and they can focus on the important jobs that our community needs them to do.

To serve the children and families who need us most, the Club has developed new partnerships to reach the families whose parents work in our local hospitals. **The Club is proud to partner with MemorialCare - Orange Coast Medical Center and Hoag Hospital to provide**

childcare at our preschools and school age Clubs for their employee families, with a special focus on low to moderate income families, rather than high paid doctors and administrators. Those lower income families are performing vital work and would have few alternatives for keeping their children safe and well cared for during the day.

The Club stays open because it’s the right thing to do, but each week, the funding gap between program fees and the cost of staying open is about \$25,000. Normally, the gap between the cost of providing services and the amount of fees we collect is smaller due to a larger daily attendance and offset by fundraising events. But, our spring events have had to be canceled or postponed. If you would like to pitch in to help fill that funding gap in order to make sure that the children of our community’s COVID-19 heroes can continue to have a safe place to go each day, please make your donation at bgchv.com/donate. Thank you!



Sites Open for Essential Services Providers

1. Learning Center Child Development Preschool, Fountain Valley
2. Robert Mayer Child Development Preschool, Huntington Beach
3. Kingston Branch, Fountain Valley
4. Huntington Beach Branch
5. Pacific Life Foundation Branch, Huntington Beach



Huntington Beach Branch Re-Opens to Serve Oak View Youth



In the weeks immediately following the closure of California’s schools, the Club’s enrollment dropped dramatically. The Club focused on keeping at least one preschool and school age Club open in each of the cities we serve, but we did have to make the difficult decision to close both the Oak View Branch and the Huntington Beach Branch. The Club is excited to announce that the Huntington Beach Branch has re-opened and is now serving children from the Oak View community. 80-100 children are bused from the Oak View community each day to the Huntington Beach Branch, with half coming in the morning and half in the afternoon.

Ocean View School District Assistant Superintendent Juliane Hoefler says, “When I got the call from Tanya Hoxsie and heard that the Boys & Girls Club would be helping the kids in the Oak View community, I can’t tell you how excited I was. The Club re-opening has been a real gift to our Oak View school community.”

During the brief closure, the Club stayed connected with families in Oak View. One of the staff’s favorite moments was using our big yellow Boys & Girls Club school bus to lead a parade of Oak View Elementary School teachers’ vehicles through the Oak View community.

One mom from the Oak View community wrote, “Thank you for taking part of this awesome vehicle parade.”

My kids and kids in the neighborhood were so excited to see all the teachers and didn’t know that the Boys & Girls Club was going to be part of it until they saw the Club’s bus roll up. They were amazed to see the staff of this wonderful program! THANK YOU!”

Program Director Daniela Gomez says, “We missed the kids so much. It felt so good to see them, spread a little joy, and let the kids know we always care about them.”

Find Out How You Helped Heather's Family

Heather is a mom of three children who all attend the Robert Mayer Child Development Preschool. She has twin toddlers and a daughter who is almost ready for kindergarten. She would like to share with you how grateful she is that your support makes it possible for her family to count on the Boys & Girls Club during the pandemic.



She writes: **“When most other preschools closed due to COVID-19, Robert Mayer stayed open. This was huge for us, because both my husband and I are essential workers. We needed to continue working and had no one else who could watch our children.**”

Each of my three children started at the Club at just 3 months old. It was clear from that very first day that we brought my oldest to the Club that we made the right choice. The love, compassion and care the teachers and administrators have showed to our entire family has been nothing short of exceptional.

The staff at Robert Mayer and the whole Boys & Girls Club organization have been and continue to be so important to us and we are so thankful for them. Our family has had our ups and downs and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley has always been there to support us. When my husband lost his job, the Club worked with us and provided some financial assistance when we needed it to ensure that the children could continue their attendance, which allowed my husband to secure a new job. We are truly grateful for that assistance!

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley has become family to us. And as their slogan says, 'Great Futures Start Here.' We agree with that 100%! We know our children will have great futures, and that's largely due to the great educational foundation, kindness, and care they continue to receive at Robert Mayer Preschool. Thank you so much and we are forever grateful.”

Your support is what makes it possible for the Club to always be there for the kids and families who need us most.

GREAT FUTURES START HERE. Annual Benefit Dinner & Auction

Register at bgchv.com/greatfutures

With many events being canceled or postponed this year, the Great Futures Start Here Annual Benefit Dinner and Auction is more important for the Club than ever! Please mark your calendar for October 3, 2020 and save the date for this very special event and plan to join us at the Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa. With your help, the Club will raise more than \$600,000 through sponsorships and auction item sales.

October 3, 2020

If you'd like to get involved with our event committee, you can join in our monthly Zoom meetings by contacting events@bgchv.com. We also welcome and encourage you to make your sponsorship early this year. Early sponsorships make all the difference as the Club continues to support the families of essential workers who need the Club most during this difficult time. You can sponsor a table, buy tickets, give a cash donation, or make an auction item donation at bgchv.com/greatfutures.