



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF THE NORTHERN NECK



OUR MISSION

The Boys & Girls Club of the Northern Neck strives to provide affordable, safe, diverse, and mission-driven programs for youth ages 5 to 18. This is accomplished through tested, proven, measurable Boys & Girls Clubs of America programs, as well as by providing a fun atmosphere for youth to learn and grow. We are currently serving Lancaster, Northumberland, Richmond, and Westmoreland Counties.

Teen Talk

Youth strengthen relationship building and communication skills.

Money Matters

Financial education program designed to teach teens how to manage their finances effectively.

Career Launch

Assesses skills and interests, explores careers, makes sound educational decisions, and prepares members to join the nation's work force.

SMART Moves

Focuses on promoting responsible behavior.

Passport to Manhood

Addresses different aspects of manhood through interactive activities.

Smart Girls

Focuses on health, prevention, education, and self-esteem through interactive activities.

Triple Play

Health and wellness initiative.

Youth/Teen Chef

Learn cooking skills through structured lessons.

Garden Club

Learn about plant cultivation and nutrition.

OUR PROGRAMS

Torch Club

Leadership and service program for youth ages 10-13 that fosters character development, community involvement, and leadership skills.

Keystone Clubs

Leadership development programs for teens ages 14 to 18, focusing on academic success, career preparation, and community service.

Power Hour

Provides homework help, tutoring and high-yield learning activities and encouraging members to become self-directed learners.

Project Learn

Includes leisure reading, writing activities, discussions with knowledgeable adults, helping others, homework help, tutoring and games that develop young people's cognitive skills.

Positive Action

For more than 15 years, local clubs have found that the Positive Action philosophy and program content complement the mission of Boys & Girls Clubs and help local clubs streamline their programming.

STEM

Students learn principles of science, engineering, technology, and math.

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VIRGINIA NEEDS CLUB KIDS

ENABLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO NEED US MOST, TO REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL AS PRODUCTIVE, CARING, RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS

IN 2024 IN VIRGINIA,

48,275 KIDS
ATTENDED A BOYS & GIRLS CLUB



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
VIRGINIA ALLIANCE

A CONSISTENT PRESENCE IN THE LIVES OF VA FAMILIES

102 CLUB SITES
1,278 ADULT STAFF

5,922 KIDS DAILY

49% FROM SINGLE-PARENT HOUSEHOLDS
74% QUALIFIED FOR FREE OR REDUCED-PRICE LUNCH AT SCHOOL

MEALS & SNACKS SERVED AT NO CHARGE IN VA CLUBS IN 2024

1,145,473

AMONG BOYS & GIRLS CLUB KIDS:

- 97% BELIEVE THEY WILL GRADUATE FROM HS**
- 91% PLAN TO GO TO COLLEGE AFTER HS**
- 93% FEEL ENCOURAGED TO DO THEIR BEST**
- 90% FEEL SAFE BEING THEMSELVES AT THE CLUB**

Virginia TANF Funds

Service to TANF Eligible Youth

Grant Goal
serve 3,000
youth

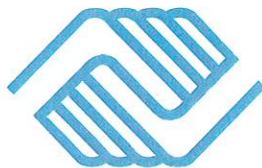
YOUTH SERVED THROUGH THIS GRANT 6,575
FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EVENTS 300
EXPENSES SPENT ON PROGRAMMING: 96%



VIEW A MAP OF BOYS & GIRLS CLUB SITES IN VIRGINIA

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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
VIRGINIA ALLIANCE

Building Opportunities Through Out-of-School Time - BOOST



The Need:



89% of voters agree

that having access to quality, affordable afterschool and summer programs is important to help parents work and to strengthen the economy. (Afterschool Alliance)



80% of waking hours are spent out of school

for school-aged youth including before, after, weekends, school closures and summers.



2/3 families have both parents working

among married-couple families with children according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics from collected data on employment characteristics of families.



for every child in a program four more are waiting to get in

more than 163,000 young people are unsupervised afterschool in VA according to the Virginia After 3pm Study.



The Benefit:

Investing in out-of-school time results in:

Families staying employed and meeting their financial needs.

95% of parents and caregivers say they are able to work because their child can go to a Club. (2024 BGCA Parent & Caregiver Survey)

Supervised and organized activities that can deter risky behavior in youth.

Club teens are more likely to abstain from substance use than teens nationally. (2024 NYOI Annual Member Survey)

Meeting the critical mental health and well-being needs of kids and teens in a safe and supportive environment.

In a study of youth (9 to 14) in afterschool programs, including BGC, researchers found that those with a higher sense of belonging in their afterschool programs had fewer risk factors (attitudes toward anti-social behavior and sensation-seeking) and more protective factors (positive perceptions about the importance of school and perceived opportunities for prosocial behavior). (Journal of Child & Youth Care Work, Vol. 20, pp. 11-21)



The Solution for Virginia:

Establish & Fund an Out-of-School Time Grant Program

Invest in Virginia's Youth

The Virginia Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs supports the work of Clubs at more than 90 sites serving more than **45,000 young people annually** throughout the commonwealth.

165

Years of Experience

90+

school-based & stand-alone Clubs

Safe, Quality and Affordable Programs

for kids, teens, and their families in urban and rural communities

Programs such as:
Academic Enrichment
Life and Workforce Readiness
Healthy Lifestyles

The total cost for a family averages less than \$70 a month at Boys & Girls Clubs in Virginia. Clubs never turn a child away for inability to pay.



\$10.32
in economic benefit

is returned to communities for every dollar invested. (Ecotone)