



ANNUAL REPORT

2019



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF HAMILTON



GREAT FUTURES START HERE



“These are unprecedented times”. It certainly applies to us for the end of our 2019-2020 year. We were moving along with great programming, connecting with new sources of support and believed our biggest challenge would be the search for our New Executive Director. That all changed on March 14th, our Governor declared a state of emergency for Ohio and schools were forced to close, which meant we were closed.

We did not sit still. We cleaned and prepared our clubs to be ready to reopen. We continued food distribution at Grand Blvd knowing how important that was to our members. We began an on-line virtual club to connect with as many kids as possible and attempt to reduce learning loss. We included crafts, science experiments, physical challenges and educational work. Our Staff delivered at-home packets for kids who did not have online access to ensure they had the same instructions and materials for the projects. We also used the time to begin planning for our future re-opening.

When we received the go ahead to open for summer programming, we had significant restrictions to meet. Thanks to a number of grants, donors, CARES act funding and a lot of creative thinking, we developed a “club in a room” plan that allowed us to place multiple activities in each available room to meet restrictions regarding reduced movement of our kids. We were able to purchase all the necessary PPE to protect our kids and our staff along with supplies needed for each member so we could offer a variety of educational and fun activities.

Creativity came through as our Staff found ways to meet social distancing requirements and still interact. We also opened Grand Blvd for summer programming for the first time to serve more kids. We successfully completed our six-week program without incident and maintained safety for our members and Staff.

We are now delivering our fall/school program, aligning and realigning as the school district schedules flex and our biggest challenge today is how to **safely** increase the number of members, we can bring back to our clubs every day. None of what we have accomplished happens without a dedicated Staff, Board, Community Partners, and our incredible donors. All of this allowed us to continue our mission of “empowering all young people but especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible individuals”.

A huge THANK YOU to All who helped and continue to help us provide a safe place for our Youth to come to. A place where they know people care about them, where they come to have fun, try out some things they may not think they will like, learn more and have their achievements and successes celebrated.

I would like to end where I started – Karen’s retirement. The pandemic certainly interrupted our opportunity to honor Karen the way she deserved, but it cannot interrupt the opportunity to honor and celebrate her here in this message. Karen is the epitome of the caring adult who engaged with our members, invested in their future, and watched over them even after they were no longer members and traveled this path for 40 years. During her tenure we grew programs, served members from five different schools, delivered an outreach program at the Booker T. Washington Community Center, brought the Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts to the club, initiated a teen connection, and connected us to music, arts and dance. She established the clubs as one of the most respected organizations in the community. Those who support the clubs often tie their support not only to their personal desire to invest in our members and the community but also because they knew Karen and knew that every dollar, nickel, penny possible went back to supporting “Karen’s Kids”.

I will personally say Thank You, Karen. I very much appreciate all you have done for us and especially for your kids who are often heard saying they will do things only because you asked Miss Karen.

Please take the time to read Karen’s Farewell message in this report. Thank You once again to Everyone who supports us in any way and allows us to continue this incredibly important mission.

Sincerely,

Denise

Denise Quinn, President

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OUR MISSION

To inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring individuals.



OUR CORE BELIEFS

THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB PROVIDES



A safe, positive environment



Ongoing relationships with caring, adult professionals



Life-enhancing programs and character development experiences



Hope and opportunity

FAREWELL MESSAGE

I came here in 1980 because I wanted the challenge of creating a girls program from scratch. I wanted three years with children and then the plan was to return to college to get a second degree in physical therapy. Obviously, I never made it back to college and I never became a physical therapist. Instead I became Executive Director for Boys & Girls Club of Hamilton. Tom Rentschler Sr. took me aside when Mr. Weekly retired and told me I had huge shoes to fill. I was 27 at the time and I spent the first half of my career determined not to let Mr. Weekly down. I spent the last half of my career determined not to spend down our reserves.

When I came to this Club we were providing a safe, clean, well supervised program focused on character development, health and fitness, and fun. Our operating budget was primarily funded by United Way and one special event. 40 years later we are still providing a safe, clean, well supervised program focused on character development, health and fitness, and fun. We have also added a strong academic enhancement component and a very diversified connect with the arts experience. Our budget has grown substantially and we have a much more diversified funding stream including United Way, two special events, foundations, government, and corporate and individual donors.

I think Mr. Weekly would be pleased with what we as a team of board and staff have accomplished. I thank our board for helping me raise the necessary funds to make the mission of this organization a reality. I thank my staff for going above and beyond within a tight budget to bring critical youth development programming to our members. I thank all our donors; government, foundations, United Way, and corporate and individual donors for valuing our program content and the youth we serve. I especially thank our members for giving my life purpose and making me laugh.

Thank you to Boys & Girls Clubs of Hamilton for a great 40 years.



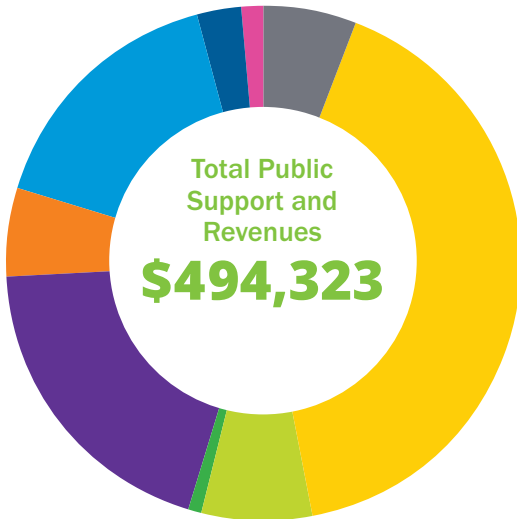
Karen

Karen Miller, Executive Director

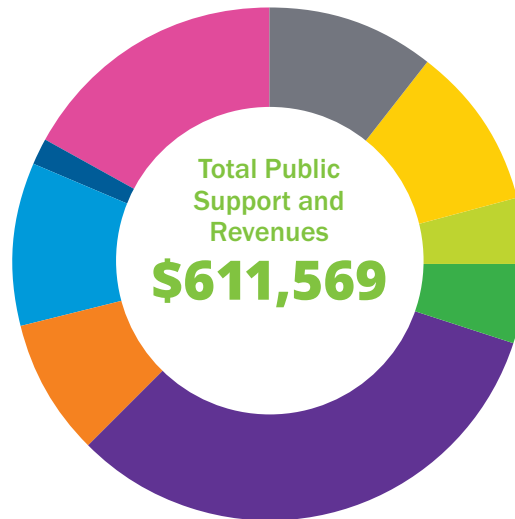
Condensed Statement Of Financial Position

PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUES

2018



2019



	2018	2019
● Government Agencies	24,984	65,044
● Foundations	172,013	63,849
● Individuals	28,372	25,265
● Corporations	13,887	30,893
● Special Events	81,290	197,726
● Annual Campaign	23,455	52,245
● United Way of Butler County	66,610	63,991
● Membership Dues	5,071	5,660
● Program Service Fees	3,417	4,079
● Investment Income	41,620	42,582
● Misc. Income	271	3,568
● Realized gain (loss)/Appreciation (depreciation)	33,333	56,667
Total Public Support and Revenues	463,557	653,866
<i>Total Expenses</i>	<i>511,594</i>	<i>547,385</i>
<i>Net assets, beginning of year</i>	<i>1,590,242</i>	<i>1,542,368</i>
<i>Net assets, end of year</i>	<i>1,542,368</i>	<i>1,648,849</i>

The Boys & Girls Club of Hamilton implements five key elements in its operations that provide for effective youth development

A safe, positive environment

1

Club staff, facilities, program offerings and age-appropriate settings produce continuity, predictability and a sense of physical and emotional safety.



Fun

2

The Club generates happiness, fun and enjoyment for members. Members develop a strong sense of belonging through personal connections they establish with staff and peers.



Supportive relationships with peers and adults

3

Staff members actively cultivate such relationships to ensure that every member feels connected to one or more adults and can forge friendships with peers.



Opportunities and expectations

4

Club members acquire physical, social, technological, artistic, and life skills. The Club expects members to develop a moral character so they know right from wrong and behave ethically.



Recognition

5

The Club recognizes and affirms young people's intrinsic worth and accomplishments.



OUTCOMES FOR 2019

100
homework
participants



88%
of them were
promoted
to the **next**
grade

Members read a total of
1,775 books & **1,302** articles



89 members
read at least

10 books

82%

read at or above
grade level

BTW collaboration

25 homework
participants

84% promoted to
the next grade

143 books read with
30 different youth

90% read at or above
grade level



645

Members through
program year



132

Combined average
daily attendance between
both East and Grand
club locations

Members participated
in a variety of programs
both at the Club and in the
community, including:

Girl Scouts

Cub Scouts

Drama Camp

Voice Lessons

Dance

Art (Pottery, Printmaking,
Mosaics, & Photography)

Yoga

SUPPORT

**Our brand is trusted
and respected in our
community and beyond**



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