



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF KENOSHA

2018



ANNUAL REPORT





Mission

To impact the most young people possible, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

A Message From The CEO

Our team gets excited and motivated by growth and we are thrilled to have grown the Boys & Girls Club of Kenosha so much in 2018. We are serving more kids, offering more programs and feeding more children than ever before. I'm proud of what our team accomplished in 2018, but know that it takes an entire community to help fulfill our mission to positively impact the most youth possible with high quality and life changing programming.

Thanks to the ongoing generosity of Kenosha County, we successfully reopened our first school based site. This affordable and positive program ensures that these kids not only have a safe place to go after school, but will get homework help, mentorship, and do team building activities. They will also not go home hungry. We hope this program becomes one of many school based sites operating in the years to come.

The Club is now serving more than double the number of kids in after-school programs than it was two years ago. I am so thankful for the communities' belief in our mission to make this all become a reality.

Jake McShee

CEO, Boys & Girls Club of Kenosha

2018: The Numbers

410 members have attended the Club 52 or more days in 2018.

Gus the Bus brought 160 kids to the Club after school for FREE from nine area elementary schools.

Total Youth Served in 2018: 10,645.

Total Registered Members: 6,001.

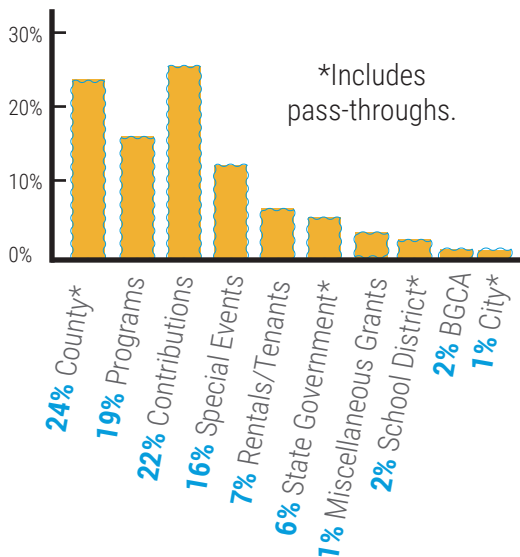
451 BGC Sports scholarships were provided to kids, totaling \$19,810.

28,321 free meals were served to members in 2018.

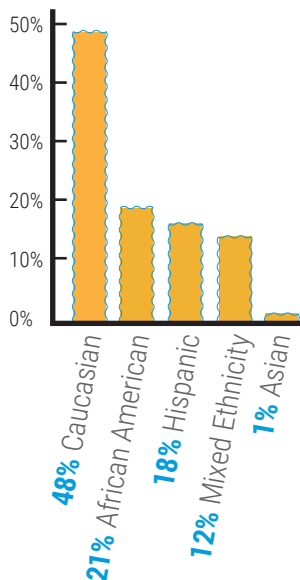
Average Daily Attendance
2018: 356
2017: 350

81% of Youth and Teen Center members live at or below the poverty line.

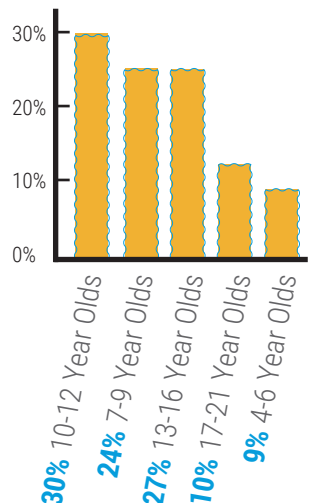
Revenues:



Membership by Ethnicity:



Age Breakdown:



Summer Youth Employment & WIOA

2018 marked the BGCK's 10th successful Summer Youth Employment Program in partnership with Kenosha County. In this program youth learn the value of work, being on time, appropriate dress for work, money management, the ability to follow directions and the pride of being paid for an honest day's work.

- 111 youth gained ½ high school credit through the 2018 SYEP's partnership with Kenosha Unified School District.
- Employer worksites were made up of 9 government agencies, 8 non-profit agencies and 25 private worksites.
- "At-risk" criteria to be eligible for the SYEP include homelessness, foster child, pregnant or parenting, delinquent or ex-offender, a disability, high school drop-out and/or deficient in employment skills.



204

Total youth served
in 2018

42

Worksites
employed at-risk
youth

24,800

Hours worked by
youth in 2018

58

Youth obtained
unsubsidized
employment

74%

Percentage decrease
of summertime
juvenile arrests
since the inception
of the program

WIOA is landmark legislation that is designed to strengthen and improve our nation's public workforce system and help get Americans, including youth and those with significant barriers to employment, into high-quality jobs and careers and help employers hire and retain skilled workers.

In partnership with Kenosha County and Southeastern Wisconsin Workforce Development Board, the Boys and Girls Club of Kenosha's WIOA Youth program provides services to qualifying job seekers that can assist them with finding employment, education, training, and support.

"Five years ago I was in the Summer Youth Employment Program, and now I've been promoted to Assistant Store Manager at Popeye's."

Teasia Stevenson
2013 SYEP Participant



Program Participation

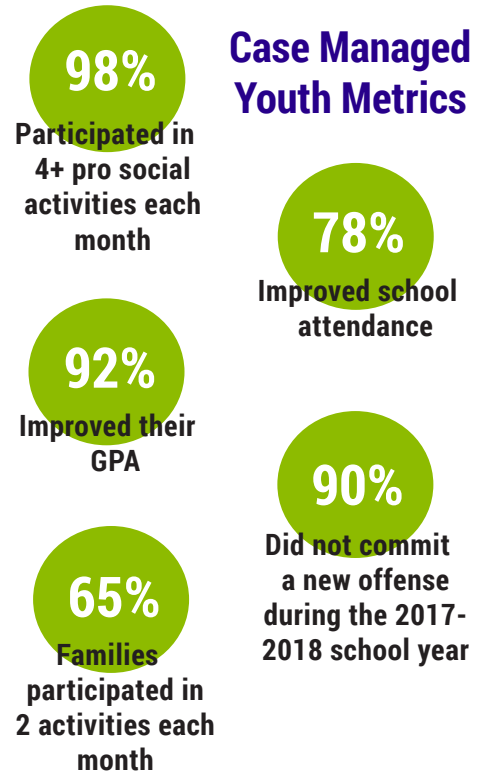


Data above reflects the unique number of members who participated in programs related to each pillar in 2018.

Teen Center, Prevention & Outreach

- During the 2017-2018 school year, BGCK staff facilitated weekly groups at 8 schools (**65+** youth per week) that focused on anger management, gang prevention and various topics related to issues youth encounter.
- Due to the generosity of the Herb Kohl Educational Foundation, **43** members visited Washington DC at no cost. The group toured several national monuments and museums.
- With the goal of increasing members' exposure to positive cultural representation, **35** members went to see *Marvel's Black Panther* and **28** members went to see *The Hate U Give*.
- **45** members took part in a discussion with law enforcement that covered topics like racism and correct procedures when interacting with police officers.
- **10** teen members took part in a multi-state college tour that visited 13 college campuses in 4 eastern states.
- **6** members that participated in Diploma2Degrees programming were accepted into college or the United States military. **3** of those members are first generation college students.
- **1,782** free bus passes were distributed to teens in 2018, assisting teens with transportation to and from the Club.

Case Managed Youth Metrics



Lincoln Park

225 unique youth participated in the FREE summer program at Lincoln Park in 2018! *Be Great: Participate* Lincoln Park programming was made possible with support from the City of Kenosha. The program was open 11 weeks during the summer, Monday- Friday 12pm-6pm.

- Average daily attendance at Lincoln Park was **47** members.
- Over **1,500** free meals were served at Lincoln Park in 2018.
- Thanks to a partnership with the Kenosha Public Library, **205** youth checked out books over the summer from the Bookmobile.
- **85** members participated in "Book Nook," a reading log challenge, which accumulated over **850** hours of summer time reading at Lincoln Park.



"I feel happy in the Club. It feels like home, just bigger!"

Eric, Age 7

Brass Community School

Troha Youth Center

- Through a grant funded by the Kenosha Community Foundation, **25** young girls took a self defense class.
- Through the partnership with BGCA and America's Best Contacts & Eyeglasses, an eye screening was held for all youth to see if they would qualify for a free pair of eyeglasses. A total of **66** youth participated with **18** members eligible to receive a free pair of eyeglasses.
- IKEA selected the BGCK as their charity of choice to have a room makeover and generously renovated the youth learning center.
- **35** youth participated in 2 printmaking workshops, thanks to The Center for Collaborative Research's Press on Wheels.
- **3** members participated in the Kenosha Community Sailing Center Camp this summer thanks to a generous donor.

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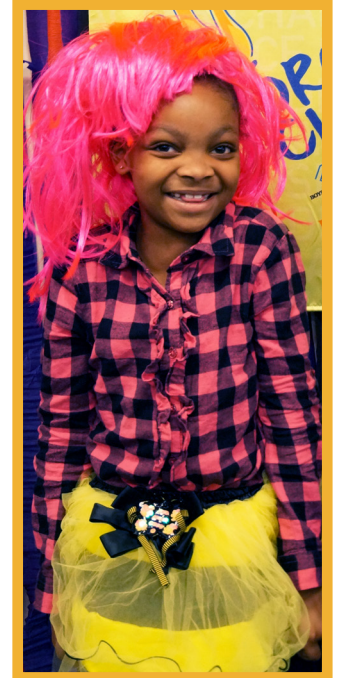
Youth Center
average daily
attendance

181

Highest
attended day
in 2018

946

Unique youth
members
served in 2018



Laken Family Jefferson Elementary Extension

After several years not operating in schools, the BGCK reopened the Laken Family Jefferson Elementary Extension program at the start of the 2018/2019 school year, thanks to support from Kenosha County.

- The program served **81** unique members and on average served **52** members per day.
- **3,430** free meals were served to students attending the Jefferson Elementary after school site in 2018.

"A mom approached me and let me know that she had four children that needed after school care, but unfortunately she wasn't able to pay the membership fee of \$30. A few days later, a unanimous donor covered this family's fee. The mother was so appreciative, and the kids are doing so well in the program."

Bonita Majors

Jefferson Elementary Site
Director



BGC Sports

- Sportsmanship was the theme in 2018, with Culver’s, Kozak Orthodontics and the Kenosha Police Professional Association all supporting “Team of the Week” and “Good Sport of the Game” incentives for athletes.
- **66** teams participated in baseball, softball and t-ball.
- New in 2018, Speed, Agility & Running Class and Arena Indoor Flag Football had **17** and **48** participants, respectively.
- BGC Soccer partnered with Kenosha Area Soccer League to better serve recreational players. BGC Sports offers the winter indoor sessions for KASL players with future plans to have a summer 3v3 league.
- BGC Basketball winter season had **4** senior teams, **6** K-baller teams and **36** youth teams.
- Spring Flag Football had **16** teams and **140** participants. Teams were associated with USA Football and wore NFL game jerseys.
- **8** tackle football teams participated in the SEYFA league (**148** players). The 5th grade team took 2nd place in the post season playoffs after having an undefeated season.
- **58** golfers participated in the Dr. Aiello and Dr. Perri Summer Golf Class. Washington Park Municipal Golf Course and Kenosha Country Club donated space for the class. At the end of the season, the youth golfers participated in the annual “Golf With a Cop” outing and luncheon.
- BGC Sports expanded the Adult Pickleball program. Over **250** players participated in 2 tournaments hosted at the Club.

Number of Participants By Sport



“The focus on teamwork is something kids need to learn, exercise and apply. It’s a skill that applies for a lifetime.”

Kristi Schaeffer-Kleutsch
 2018 BGC Sports Family of the Year



"I hope to positively influence my peers and others to better ourselves, our schools and the community."

Ja'len Webster
2018 Youth of the Year



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