



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF KERN COUNTY

Our Mission

To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

2018

IMPACT REPORT



Who was your role model at the Club and why?

Paul Portillo was a great role model to me growing up at the Boys & Girls Club. He was in charge of the teen Keystone program that taught me a lot of valuable lessons that I still use to this day. He has also remained in my life as a good friend and a mentor.

You were employed with the Club as a program aide in your teens... how did this impact you on your education path and/or professional career?

It taught me discipline, punctuality, performance standards and a great glimpse of what to expect when I fully entered the workforce pursuing my career.

The Club has now reached out to you for your assistance for one of its members who is interested in your profession...how does this make you feel?

This is an absolute honor. The Boys & Girls Club has given me so much and many mentors have watched me grow throughout the years. It is great to have the opportunity to give back and help someone grow and give insight into their future profession.



Adolf M.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Kern County
Alumni

The Club Experience

Boys & Girls Clubs fill the gap between school and home. We provide welcoming, positive environments in which kids and teens have fun, participate in life-changing programs, and build supportive relationships with peers and caring adults.



The Need in Our State

Everyday 1,247,699 kids in California leave school with nowhere to go. They risk being unsupervised, unguided and unsafe.

Our Reach



Member Demographics

88%

Ages 12 and Younger

12%

Teens

84%

Minority Races or Ethnicities

65%

Qualify for Free or Reduced-Priced School Lunch

36%

Live in Single-Parent Households

Demonstrating Our Positive Impact



ACADEMIC SUCCESS

The Need

Summer learning loss during elementary school accounts for two-thirds of the achievement gap in reading between low income children and their middle income peers by ninth grade.

What we Do

Summer Brain Gain is comprised of one-week modules with fun, themed activities for elementary school, middle school and high school students that are aligned with common core anchor standards.

Our Impact

95% of Summer Brain Gain Members maintained or increased knowledge during the summer of 2018,

The Need

18.6% of high-school youth in Kern County were involved in a physical fight this past year.

What we Do

Keystoning is the Boy & Girls Clubs Movement's most dynamic teen program. It affords teens an opportunity to gain valuable leadership and service experience.

Our Impact

53% of Club teen members volunteer in their community at least once a month, while **68%** volunteer in their community at least once per year.



GOOD CHARACTER AND CITIZENSHIP



HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

The Need

25% of children under 18, or 1 in four, in Kern County suffer from food insecurity.

What we Do

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Kern County serve as sites and sponsors for the USDA meal and snack programs, providing healthy meals, and snacks to children during out of school times, while also supporting educational and enrichment programs.

Our Impact

In an effort to help curb the insecurities in Kern County, the Boys & Girls Club served **238,369** meals in 2017 and is on pace to serve even more meals in 2018.

How Can You Help



With your generous support, Boys & Girls Clubs of Kern County will create opportunities to help more kids and teens achieve great futures. To make a donation or to learn about other ways you can help, contact Zane Smith, Executive Director, Boys & Girls Clubs of Kern County, 661-325-3730. www.bgclubsofkerncounty.org

WHY BE A MEMBER?

It's the easiest and best way to offer dependable support to our youth in Kern County. For a monthly gift of \$66 you will providing:

1. Educational activities for children who would otherwise be left alone and unsupervised during non-school hours.
2. Mentors for children who need a supportive and caring adult who will listen, encourage, and celebrate their successes.
3. Resources to combat food insecurities with daily meals for children throughout Kern County.



GREAT FUTURES START HERE.



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1. American After 3pm, Afterschool Alliance, <http://afterschoolalliance.org/AA3PM>

2. kidsdata.org

3. kidsdata.org

4. National Youth Outcomes Initiative