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**Whatever It Takes to
Build Great Futures.**



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF HUTCHINSON**

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REPORT**

LETTER FROM THE FOUNDERS



Dear Friends,

We started this afterschool adventure in 1990. It's been amazing to watch the Club evolve alongside our young people for the past thirty years. In that time, countless lives have been touched, ideas have been hatched and Great Futures have been started.

Spend a few minutes reflecting with us on what has been possible for generations of kids. The steadfast support of our community—and your continued commitment to youth—has changed lives.

Our board, Club members and Vision Leaders are busy thinking about the next thirty years and how we can continue to serve kids with the programs and experiences they'll need to thrive tomorrow.

All kids deserve a chance to reach their full potential. Thank you for committing to doing whatever it takes to build Great Futures.

Sincerely,

Founding Chief Professional Officer



Founding Board Member



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF HUTCHINSON
1995-Present

2021 YOUTH OF THE YEAR

A Club member since kindergarten, Sadye will graduate in 2022. She has been a Club Vision Leader for four years.

She models our priority outcomes Academic Success, Good Character, and Healthy Lifestyles.



SADYE PATTERSON



Sadye has been helping members with homework since middle school.



Sadye & other teens provided a magical "princess" experience.



Credit: Bob Hunter

Sadye models a Healthy Lifestyle through soccer and cross country.



Each year, Sadye helps run her favorite Club activity: CUPCAKE WARS!

REFLECTIONS ON THE CLUB

<p>"Diversity, adversity, and problem solving—those tough things—I had already learned those at the Club."</p> <p>—Alliyah Gray</p>		ALUMNA
FORMER VISION LEADER		<p>"We won the neighborhood. If you lived in this neighborhood, you came to the Boys & Girls Club."</p> <p>—Ernest Bradley, Former Director of Operations</p>
<p>"I really feel like I couldn't be where I am today without having that community resource."</p> <p>—Sara Bagwell</p>		PARENT
VISION LEADER		<p>"It's impacted me by how I view children and kind of how I view life itself."</p> <p>—Brenda Higginbotham, Vision Leader 1995-Present</p>
<p>"It's helped me realize in our community that there's so much goodness and we need to spread the word."</p> <p>—Helen Unruh</p>		FORMER BOARD MEMBER

REFLECTIONS ON THE CLUB

FORMER
BOARD
MEMBER



"By creating an endowment we're telling the community that we're here to stay and that we're going to impact kids forever."

—Susan Buttram

"It made me try whatever opportunities I could possibly think of. They push you to do everything you could do."

—Dane Gardner



ALUMNUS

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"I grew up there. I lived there. I cleaned up there. I did everything I could possibly do there."

—Reggie Johnson

"I was a Boys & Girls Club kid myself and I've always felt like it was a safe place for myself and also for my kids."

—Garrett Govain



PARENT

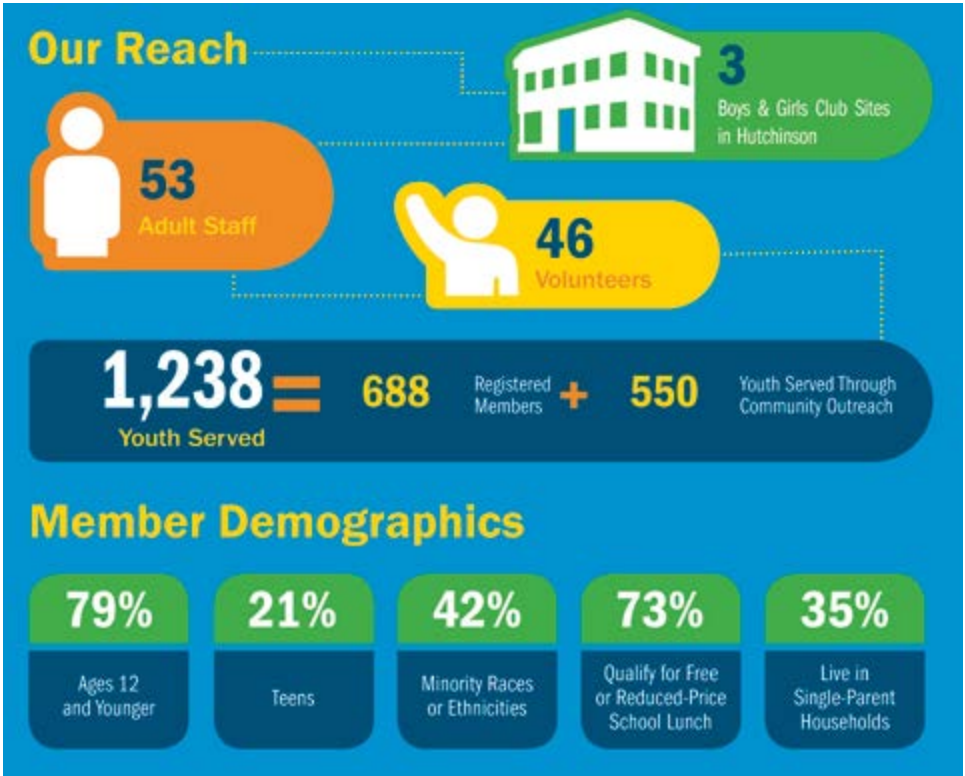
Boys & Girls Clubs change lives.

We interviewed alumni and friends about how the Club impacted them.

See the video playlist by scanning this QR code with your phone's camera.



2020 BY THE NUMBERS



OUR SUPPORT

In 2020, \$1,191,370 was contributed to the Club through grants, private donations and special events. The Club received a PPP loan of \$156,400, which was forgiven. Our overall operating expenses were \$1,102,324.

Our most recent 990 form is at bgchutch.com. Our FEIN is 48-1088026.





"At the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hutchinson I have found a place to work that champions the children of our community."

NANCY BETHER
EPIC Skillz Coordinator

You've helped spark career interests in hundreds of teens. Do you have a favorite "ah-ha" moment?

Every business owner I have spoken to, without exception, supports soft (employability) skills development for their future employees. To address that concern, our school system and the Club collaborate to teach young people the skills needed to get and keep employment.

The EPIC Skillz position is becoming full-time. How do you hope to see EPIC continue to grow?

I hope that the EPIC Skillz program will serve as a model of how students learn and how the community can support "learning by doing." I hope that the program will grow "down" to support the career education work of the elementary schools and "up" to continue to involve students at the high school level. I hope that a strong EPIC Skillz internship model will be developed that will allow students to work and learn in area business and industry while still attending high school. I hope that those interns will be paid for positive participation and that through collaboration with the high school they will earn credit toward high school graduation.



ADVENTURE CAMP

Club members build habitats at Salthawk Summer Adventure Camp.

This summer, the relationship between the Club and USD 308 deepened as the two partnered to provide USD 308's Salthawk Summer Adventure Camp.

For six weeks, Faris Elementary School opened its doors four mornings per week to serve Faris students and Boys & Girls Club elementary-age members. Club Vision Leaders worked alongside USD 308 staff, serving as assistant teachers and lead teachers. By partnering with the Club, USD 308 reached more students this summer than they would have alone. The Club sent 274 elementary school members to participate in adventure camp.

"Once we got past the initial feeling of 'summer school' we have seen success," said Rachel Anderson, Director of Elementary Summer School for USD 308. "It was about engaging our kids again after a crazy year of COVID. We really wanted to ignite that spark—that love of learning—again with them. We've done projects and project-based learning...As I walk around, I see mysteries happening where they're solving crime scenes and using higher level thinking skills. I would say that our kids don't know that they're learning; they think they're having fun."

At Adventure Camp, rooms were broken out by grade, with special interest rooms focused on music, art and STEM. The curriculum for the elementary

camp was based on Summer Brain Gain, a program from Boys & Girls Clubs of America that focuses on keeping youth's academic skills sharp through engaging, hands-on learning. Each module integrates social-emotional learning and is aligned with the common core.

"It's been really good for the kids to have separation between programming and Boys & Girls Club fun," said Amy Taylor, 6th grade lead teacher. Taylor has worked for the Club for 26 years and is a pre-school teacher at USD 308 during the school year. "Students have still had fun and they've learned a lot and been engaged. The summer camp is at the school, but they go to Boys & Girls Club in the afternoon. It's the best of both worlds, I think."

According to the Review of Educational Research, during the summer most youth lose approximately two months of math skills and low-income youth also lose two months in reading achievement. Preventing summer learning loss is always important, especially for lower-income children. High-quality summer enrichment has been especially important this year as schools and community organizations work to offset the COVID-19 pandemic's impacts on education.

"I'm very thankful that the school district and the Boys & Girls Club can work together to provide this opportunity to our youth," said Lance Patterson, Director of Operations at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hutchinson. "The pandemic was incredibly difficult for our students and our families. Being able to bring them together in one place, surrounded by caring adults, is really beneficial to the kids and their social emotional wellbeing, but also to the teachers and getting them reengaged with the fun of education. Hopefully, we've been able to accomplish those two things this summer."

This summer partnership may not be over yet.

"I hope that this isn't just a COVID happening," said Anderson. "I hope this is something that we can continue to look at in the years to come. We have built a bridge with the Club and in turn I think we are reaching the community...I really hope that this continues because I believe that it's been a good thing, but when you hear other people talking about how it's been successful—how we have reached the kids and how they hope that we continue doing this—then you know that things have been working."



SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Deputy Matt Vieyra discusses traffic stop safety with Club teens. Members role played traffic stops and asked questions about what they should do to remain safe.

In 2021 the Club began a partnership with the Reno County Sheriff's Office. Officers drop in to hang out and to take part in Club activities with youth.

"We see this as a great opportunity for our Club members to develop positive relationships with local law enforcement," said Lance Patterson, Director of Operations for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hutchinson. "We know kids from all backgrounds have the potential to have one or more adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) while they're growing up. Those ACEs can cause lifelong impacts to health. The best way to help kids build resilience is to surround them with caring adults. Working with the sheriff's office is a way to add one more set of caring adults into their lives—people Club members know they can turn to with questions or for help."

The Club hopes that Club members' engagement with law enforcement will be a step in building mutual trust in our community.

"I'm excited for our officers to interact with the kids—show them we're like them. We're good guys and we're here for them," said Deputy Matt Vieyra, a board member for the Boys & Girls Club. "We're excited to connect with the kids and learn more about what interests them."

Officers and teens met for limeades, burgers and conversation at R-B Drive In.



SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Liam said he was honored to give Deputy Vieira a tour of Shadduck.



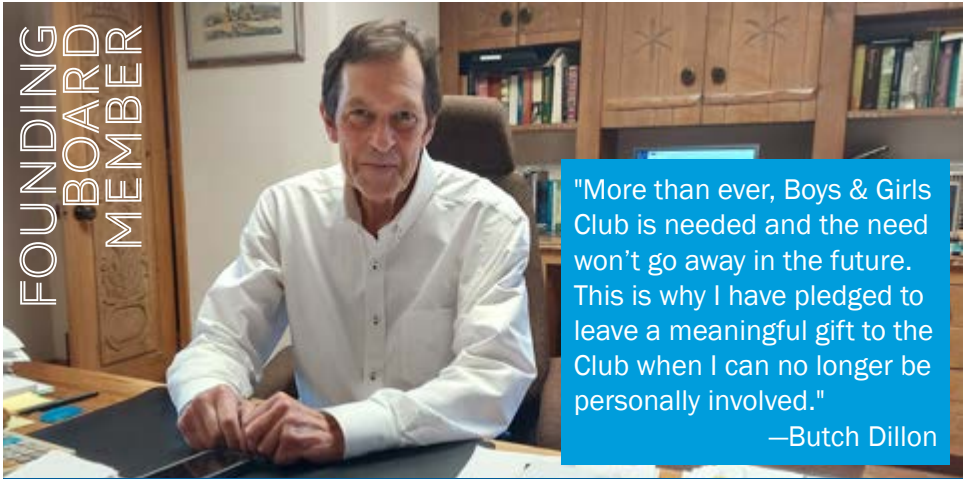
Officers cooked out for a family night.



Officers and members played games at family night.



Officers and teens hung out at R-B Drive In.



"More than ever, Boys & Girls Club is needed and the need won't go away in the future. This is why I have pledged to leave a meaningful gift to the Club when I can no longer be personally involved."

—Butch Dillon



Would you like to give Hutchinson youth a safe place to belong and countless opportunities for generations to come? Consider leaving a legacy gift.

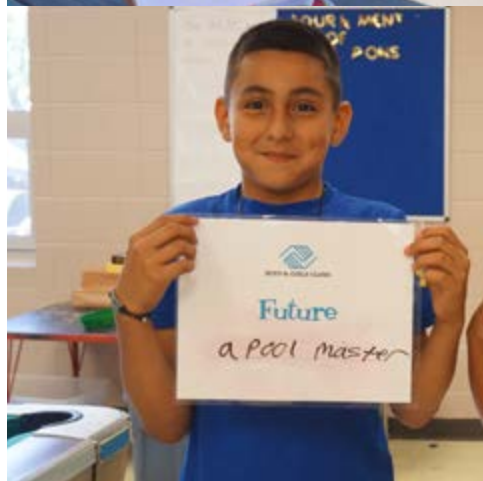
Legacies are planned gifts to the Boys & Girls Clubs. They can come in many forms, including: bequests, charitable trusts, life insurance policies, charitable gift annuities, remainder gifts from retirement plans, and IRA rollovers.

Planned giving helps you plan your estate in a way that benefits you, your family and your charitable interests. For more information call Skip at (620) 665-7171 x 103.



"It's my great hope that our Club will serve youth for generations to come. That's why Kim & I included the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hutchinson in our estate planning."

—Skip Wilson
Chief Professional Officer



MISSION AND VISION

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

Vision: To provide a world-class Club experience that assures success is within reach of every young person who walks through our doors, with all members on track to graduate from high school with a plan for the future, demonstrating good character, citizenship, and living a healthy lifestyle.



2021 BLUE TEAM

Blue Team businesses partner with the Club to do Whatever It Takes to Build Great Futures for Hutchinson's youth.

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6. Sign up for Dillon's Community Rewards or Amazon Smile to make a difference when you shop.

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