

## Our Mission

The mission of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson is to provide young people in our community, especially those who need us most, with a clear path to reach their full potential and pursue their dreams.

# 2023

# IMPACT REPORT



## The Club Experience

Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson (BGCT) fills the gap between school and home. We provide welcoming, positive environments where kids and teens have fun, participate in life-changing programs, and build supportive relationships with peers and caring adults. We're guided by **5 pillars**:

**Leadership & Service • Education • The Arts  
Health & Wellness • Sports & Recreation**

And everything we offer our members falls into one of **3 priority outcomes**:

**Academic Success • Good Character & Citizenship  
Healthy Lifestyles**

## Youth Spotlight

BGCT's 2023 Youth of the Year winner was Hakima A., whose personal story and public speaking skills won her the city and state Youth of the Year title! Hakima credits BGCT with helping her to overcome incredible circumstances, and she's now a freshman at prestigious Howard University in Washington, D.C. Youth of the Year is just one of our many programs that support our youth and help them achieve their dreams!



## HOW WE SERVED



**55,302** free meals\* and **13,512** free snacks served during the school year and summer program  
*\*in partnership with Tucson Unified School District*



**4,000** Club members attended **6** Clubhouses



**46** after-school and summer programs offered



**1,600** members participated in Summer Brain Gain READ or STEM projects in summer 2023



**100** teens participated in driver-safety course UPS Road Code



**100%** of Club attendees received homework help

## WHO WE SERVED



**1/3** live in households that receive food assistance



**82%** qualify for free or reduced-cost school lunch programs



**48%** live in single-parent households



**58%** are of racial minority groups and **63%** are of Hispanic/Latino ethnicity

## Empowering Tucson's Youth

Sports, computer games, lunch or dinner with their friends — BGCT offers kids and teens a fun, safe place to hang out after school, but the impact is so much more.

It's not just a basketball game ...

it's an opportunity to teach kids why **exercise and proper hygiene** are important to a **healthy, strong body**.

It's not just a computer game ...

it's **homework help** and **enrichment activities** that help **take the burden off parents**.

And it's not just a free meal or snack ...

it's a way to teach kids about the **value of good nutrition** and building **lifelong healthy habits**.



# IN THEIR OWN WORDS

"I enjoy the satisfaction of *not having to worry* about my children while they are attending the summer program."

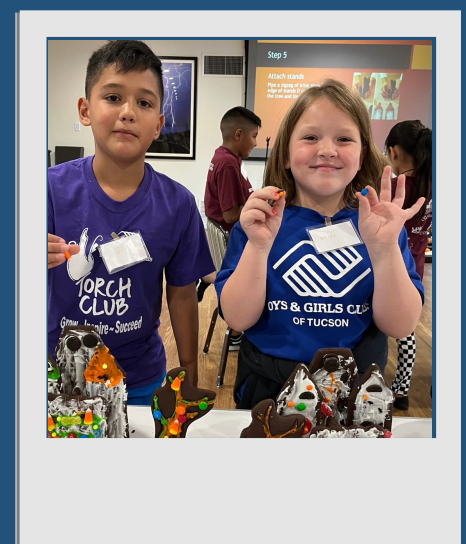
— *Leigha B.,*  
parent of 3 Club members

"My favorite part about coming to the Club every summer is the *new opportunities that are given to teens* through the Clubhouse Internship Academy and being able to go on field trips to places we've never been before."

— *Anastacia V.,* age 17,  
6-year Club member

"The Adia Barnes Academy at my clubhouse was instrumental in getting our female youth members an opportunity to compete in organized athletics. ... They are *learning positive qualities and personal fundamentals* that will lead them to be successful people and athletes in the future."

— *Nigel Bigbee,*  
Steve Daru Clubhouse Director



Opening  
August  
2024!

## TEEN TECH & WORKFORCE READINESS CENTER

The Holmes Tuttle Clubhouse is undergoing renovation for the addition of a Teen Tech & Workforce Readiness Center! The new features will allow teens to learn about and practice for professional careers in areas like hospitality, podcasting, drone operation and many more, with tech like virtual reality training and games, a full commercial/restaurant kitchen, and recording studios and equipment. Call BGCT today if you're interested in partnering with us to help our teens become workforce ready!

**Thanks to YOU, we can dream BIG for Tucson's youth.**

To make a donation, become a partner, sponsor an event, or learn about other ways you can help, call 520-573-3533 or visit [www.bgctucson.org](http://www.bgctucson.org).