

September Newsletter

Message from our Interim CEO



As we enter a new season, I'm energized by the progress we're making and even more excited about what lies ahead.

On Wednesday, October 1st, we will proudly unveil the fully remodeled Teen Tech Center at our Holmes Tuttle Clubhouse. This state-of-the-art space is designed to equip our teens with critical workforce readiness skills, giving them hands-on access to technology, tools, and mentorship that will help shape their futures. We invite you to celebrate this incredible milestone with us as we continue investing in the next generation of leaders and innovators.

At the same time, we are launching a truly historic initiative, our first Annual Campaign in 67 years. For the first time ever, we are working to raise an extra, extra, extra \$1 million to meet the growing needs of our youth and community. These additional funds will allow us to expand access, enhance our programs, and ensure no child is turned away due to financial constraints.

We're also gearing up for one of the most exciting events of the year, El Tour de Tucson on Saturday, November 22nd. Each of our six Clubhouses has its own team, and we invite you to ride or walk in support of your favorite Club. It's a powerful and fun way to be part of something bigger and make a real impact.

Lastly, I'm proud to share that we've formed a strategic alliance with the Tucson Unified School District (TUSD). This collaboration will help more families learn about the life-changing programs available at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson, many of which are free or low-cost and ensure more children have access to safe spaces, positive mentors, and opportunities for success.

Thank you for believing in our mission and standing with us as we continue to build great futures for Tucson's youth.

2025 Annual Campaign

El Tour Loop de Loop



We're proud to introduce Kameron Norwood as the Chair of our 2025 Annual Campaign. A proud Tucsonan, entrepreneur, and passionate advocate for our community, Kameron brings energy, purpose, and heart to this year's campaign.

His dedication to service and support of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson sets the tone for what we know will be a powerful year of impact.

The 2025 Annual Campaign is officially underway, and it starts with YOU.

Together, we can continue building great futures for Tucson's youth.

Make a difference today: www.bgctucson.org

Sprouting Healthy Communities Day



We are honored to have been selected as a recipient during Sprouts' second annual Sprouting Healthy Communities Day on Saturday, September 6th.

Every Sprouts store nationwide contributed to this impactful initiative, and thanks to the generous support of the Sprouts Healthy Communities Foundation, our Steve Daru Clubhouse received a donation to help us further our mission of empowering youth through nutrition education and wellness.



On Saturday, September 20th, we were proud to have our 2025 Annual Campaign Chair, Kameron Norwood, representing the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson with energy and heart at the El Tour Loop de Loop event.

Kameron's leadership is already making a strong impact as we kick off this year's campaign to support our Clubhouses and the incredible youth we serve.

Now, we invite you to ride with purpose.

Join us for El Tour de Tucson and support your favorite Clubhouse while helping build a brighter future for Tucson's kids.

Sign up here today and be part of the movement:

Alice Cooper's Open Mic



Alice Cooper's Proof is in the Pudding music competition, opened to musicians ages 12–25 from across the country. Participants had the chance to compete for a major cash prize and an opportunity to perform live with and other celebrities at the Christmas Pudding concert on November 15th.

A free kickoff event was held on Saturday, September 6th, at the Holmes Tuttle Clubhouse. Attendees met fellow musicians, participated in jam sessions, and learned how to get involved in the competition.

A heartfelt thank you to Sprouts for investing in the health and future of our community!

It was a great opportunity for young artists to connect, share their talent, and represent Tucson in a nationally recognized event.

Program Highlight: Money Matters



At BGCT, we believe that preparing youth for great futures means equipping them with the skills they need to thrive financially and personally. Our Money Matters program is doing just that by promoting financial responsibility and independence among Club members ages 13 to 17.

Through interactive lessons and real-life applications, participants build essential money management skills, including how to budget, save, invest, and manage a checking account. The program also introduces teens to the fundamentals of starting a small business and planning for college expenses, helping them set goals and make informed financial decisions.

Money Matters is more than a class; it's a stepping stone to lifelong financial confidence and independence. We're proud to see our teens taking charge of their futures, one smart decision at a time.

9/11 Remembrance



In honor of 9/11, the Pascua Yaqui Clubhouse joined the national #911 Day Good Deed Challenge by coming together for a meaningful day of service.

Members and staff worked side by side to clean up the areas around our Clubhouse, including the park and multipurpose field. It was a powerful reminder of the importance of community and the impact of small acts of kindness.

Following the cleanup, participants signed a pledge to continue spreading kindness through everyday actions. As one club member shared, "We should do this more often!", and we couldn't agree more.

Upcoming Events

El Tour de Tucson

Holmes Tuttle Ribbon Cutting



Ride or Walk with Us at El Tour de Tucson!

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson is proud to be part of this year's El Tour de Tucson on Saturday, November 22nd, and we're inviting you to join us in making a difference.

This is more than just a ride or a walk, it's a chance to stand with our community and show up for the thousands of youth who rely on the support and opportunities provided by our Clubhouses.

All six of our local Clubhouses have their own teams, and your participation helps raise critical funds to support the kids who need us most.

Register today to ride or walk with your favorite Clubhouse at **bgctucson.org**.

Together, we can create a stronger, healthier, and more hopeful future for Tucson's youth. We hope to see you there!



We're excited to announce the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for our newly enhanced Holmes Tuttle Clubhouse on Tuesday, October 1st!

This celebration marks a major milestone in our commitment to providing high-quality programs and services that support the growth, success, and future of Tucson's youth.

A special highlight of the Holmes Tuttle Clubhouse is our robust Workforce Readiness programs, designed for teens ages 13 to 17. These programs equip young people with essential skills, career exploration opportunities, job training, and leadership development, preparing them for success in the workplace and beyond.

We invite the community to come celebrate with us, tour the updated space, and learn more about how we're empowering the next generation.

For more details, please email us at events@bgctucson.org.

Help us continue to inspire and support Tucson's youth! Your donation to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson creates life-changing opportunities every day.

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