



Our Mission

Our mission is to inspire & enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to realize & develop their full potential as productive, responsible & caring citizens.

2020

IMPACT REPORT



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 Club taught me money management, goal setting, and decision making skills.*”

Kahla Best

BGCK Youth of the Year

Kahla Best, a member of the Parkland Boys & Girls Club, was recently named the 2021 Boys & Girls Clubs of Kentuckiana Youth of the Year. Kahla describes herself as innovative and adaptive. She wants youth to know not to follow the status quo, but to embrace their true self and work hard for what they want in life; because it will all be worth it at the end of the day. Kahla launched her own lip gloss line in 2018, and is inspiring others around her to follow their passion of entrepreneurship. She is motivated, dedicated and inspiring to others. She is treasurer in the Keystone Club and has taken the lead on a new program called Appreciate the Staff.

The Youth of the Year title is a prestigious honor recognizing leadership, academic excellence and dedication to a healthy lifestyle.



The Need in Our State

Every day 85,849 kids in Kentucky leave school with nowhere to go.¹ They risk being unsupervised, unguided and unsafe.

Our Reach



Member Demographics

47%

Ages 12 and Younger

53%

Teens

92%

Minority Races or Ethnicities

99%

Qualify for Free or Reduced-Price School Lunch

85%

Live in Single-Parent Households

Demonstrating Our Positive Impact



ACADEMIC SUCCESS

The Need

17% of young people in Jefferson County fail to graduate from high school on time.²

What We Do

Our academic programs reduce truancy and help youth develop the skills needed to achieve their educational goals including on time high school graduation and college or career readiness.

Our Impact

Among our teen-aged Club members, **95%** expect to graduate from high school, and **80%** expect to complete some kind of post-secondary education.

The Need

24% of high-school youth in United States were involved in a physical fight in the past year.³

What We Do

Our leadership and volunteer service programs empower youth to become leaders and productive citizens so they avoid negative influences such as those that lead to juvenile incarceration.

Our Impact

32% of Club teen members volunteer in their community at least once per year, while **19%** volunteer in their community at least once per month.



GOOD CHARACTER AND CITIZENSHIP



HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

The Need

33% of young people ages 5 - 17 in Kentucky are overweight or obese.⁴

What We Do

Our programs help youth learn techniques to develop healthy lifestyles including abstaining from drug & alcohol use. In addition, they learn about fitness and nutrition.

Our Impact

59% of Club members ages 9 and older report getting at least an hour of physical activity on five or more days per week.

How You Can Help



With your generous support, Boys & Girls Clubs of Kentuckiana 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 **Jennifer Helgeson, President & CEO, Boys & Girls Clubs of Kentuckiana**, 502.585.5437. <https://www.bgckyana.org/give-back/>

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¹ America After 3PM, Afterschool Alliance, <http://afterschoolalliance.org/AA3PM/>

² https://assessment.jefferson.kyschools.us/publicdatasets/pdf/2021/High_Data_Book_202021.pdf

³ <https://www.childtrends.org/indicators/physical-fighting-by-youth>

⁴ <https://www.cdc.gov/obesity/stateprograms/fundedstates/pdf/kentucky-state-profile.pdf>