



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS

METRO DENVER

65

**YEARS OF BELONGING
AND CONNECTION**

**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF METRO DENVER
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DATA SOURCES | BGCMD's MyClubHub Attendance Data, Infinite Campus,
National Youth Outcomes Initiative Club Member Data (NYOI) 2024-25

Because When School Ends, Possibility Shouldn't

Denver is a city of possibility—but for too many children and teens, those possibilities remain out of reach. As families face rising housing costs, shrinking support for youth programs, and a growing mental health crisis, young people are navigating pressures—from social media to disrupted learning—that make support outside of school more critical than ever.

BECAUSE OF YOU AND OTHER FRIENDS IN OUR COMMUNITY, THAT SUPPORT IS THERE.

Our Clubs, which are created and sustained by our community, meet that need during the two-thirds of time kids and teens spend outside the classroom. Together, we provide care, stability, and meaningful connection in the hours after school, when parents are working and supervision matters most. For four out of five parents, the Club is essential—without it, they say they couldn't keep their jobs.

That's where we come in. Each day, we connect with about 2,500 kids and teens across 25 Clubs in Metro Denver. For 65 years, the Clubs have been trusted community anchors—offering safe, supportive spaces during the hours when opportunity matters most.



A Place to Belong, Then and Now

DEAR FRIENDS,

For 65 years, you've made Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver into more than a place kids come to when they're not in school — you've made it a second home. A place where thousands of young people walked through the doors, took a deep breath, and felt that powerful sense of belonging.

Long before screens filled our pockets and connected our days, the Clubs connected kids to something far more meaningful: relationships that shaped who they became. That hasn't changed.

One of our favorite pieces of Club history comes from the 1960s, when kids lined up overnight outside a modest "Boys' Club" — some even curled up in sleeping bags on the sidewalk — all for the chance to earn the #1 membership card. They weren't waiting for a game release or a blockbuster movie. They were waiting for a place where they felt seen. Where they felt they mattered. Where they knew their future could be bigger than their circumstances.

Over the decades, our doors have opened wider. Girls joined. New neighborhoods welcomed new Clubs. School-based sites extended our reach. But through every evolution, the heartbeat of the Club stayed the same: young people finding mentors who believe in them, friends who feel like family, and experiences that open their eyes to what's possible.

None of this happens by accident. It happens because of you. Our Board of Directors, donors, volunteers, team members, and community partners each bring a piece of the vision, strengthening an organization that has served generations — and will continue to serve generations still to come.

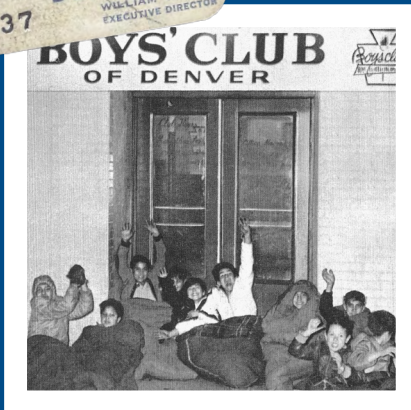
Sincerely,



Brian McDonald
Chair of the Board of Directors



Erin Porteous
Chief Executive Officer





Our promise

At Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver, our philosophy is rooted in a simple truth: when kids have safe places, caring mentors, and meaningful opportunities, they thrive — and our entire community grows stronger.

In the following pages, you'll see how our work comes to life — who we serve, where we operate, and the measurable difference we make across Metro Denver with support from community members like you. Every data point represents a child or teen discovering their potential — and a community coming together to ensure kids across Metro Denver have every opportunity to succeed.

For 65 years, this commitment has been our blueprint: doors that are always open, a place young people can depend on during the critical hours outside of school, and a partner parents trust to support their families. Decades later, that promise remains unchanged. In a city that continues to grow and evolve, our community knows it can count on us—today and for generations to come.



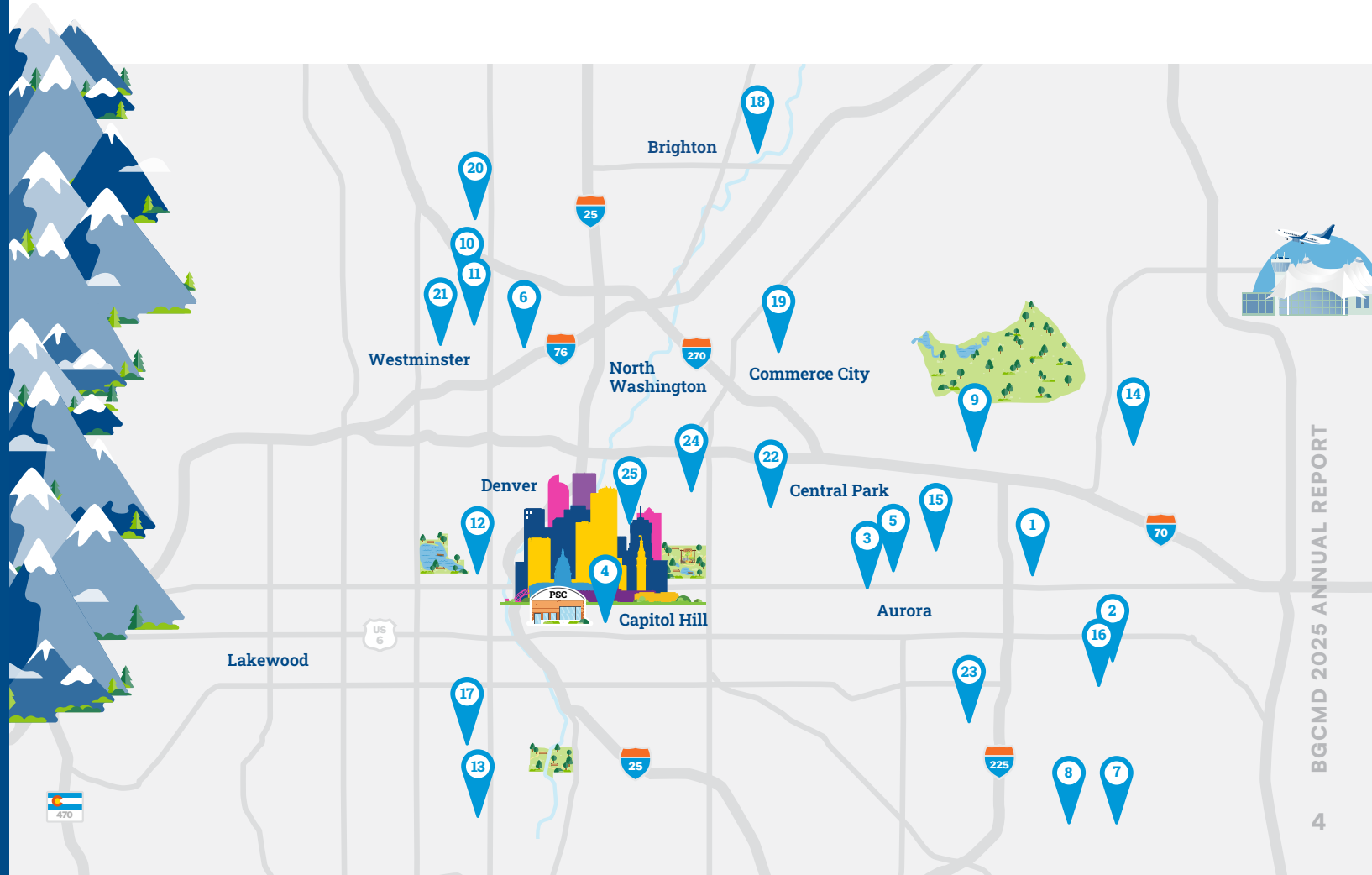
92%

of active participants returned month over month during the 24-25 school year, a reflection of the Club as a place kids want to be, and families trust to keep their kids safe.

Doors open across Metro Denver

From a handful of neighborhood Clubs in the 1960s, we've grown into a network that spans Metro Denver through community-based Clubs and partnerships with multiple school districts.

- 1 Altura
- 2 Aurora Quest
- 3 Boston
- 4 William E. Cope
- 5 Crawford
- 6 CSLA
- 7 Dalton Elementary
- 8 Dartmouth Elementary
- 9 Denver Broncos
- 10 Hidden Lake
- 11 Josephine Hodgkins
- 12 Arthur E. Johnson
- 13 Johnson Elementary
- 14 KIPP Green Valley Ranch
- 15 Montview
- 16 Mosley
- 17 J. Churchill Owen
- 18 Robert M. Shopneck
- 19 Suncor
- 20 Sunset Ridge
- 21 Tennyson Knolls
- 22 Jack A. Vickers
- 23 Virginia Court
- 24 U Prep Steele Street
- 25 U Prep Arapahoe Street
- PSC** Program Support Center

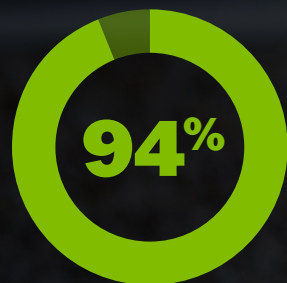


Mental Health Program

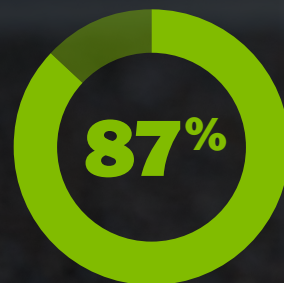
Youth mental health is a top priority for Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver. Through our comprehensive, trauma-informed approach, our full-time mental health professionals cultivate environments where Club kids feel safe, supported, and empowered to explore their emotional growth. These professionals help members understand their emotions, navigate challenges, and connect families with bigger needs to appropriate resources.

Thanks to you and other caring supporters, Club kids don't have to face life's challenges alone. Our trained professionals create safe spaces where kids can talk about how they feel. We give them tools to handle life's toughest moments with courage and hope, and we partner with families and schools to meet kids' needs holistically.

Your Impact in Action



of Club
members feel
cared for by
adults



Feel safe being
themselves





Belonging Comes First

One young person who grew stronger with the tools she learned at the Club is Jaslene. When she first came to the Club as a middle-schooler, she was struggling with anxiety and self-doubt. Through our social-emotional learning activities, she learned to recognize her emotions, build healthy routines, and lean on caring adults when she needed support.

“The Club helped me feel in control when I used to feel out of control. It’s a place where I could have fun, be myself, and learn to cope when things got hard.”

Today, Jaslene’s thriving in college—and studying psychology so she can one day help other kids like her build resilience and joy.

4,910
social emotional
learning experiences

Healthy Lifestyles Program

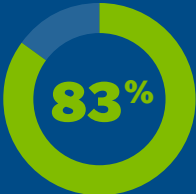
Club kids of all ages learn healthy habits for their minds and bodies at the Club. Our programs combine nutrition, physical activity, outdoor adventure, and preventive education—creating an environment where healthy choices become natural choices.

When you support the Club, you help make healthy choices possible for thousands of kids every day.

Your Impact in Action



of Club members gain confidence through sports



avoid risky behavior

327,202 meals served
4,743 nutrition education experiences





Growing Strong

Curious, creative, and kind—those are the words staff at the Denver Broncos Boys & Girls Club use to describe sixth grader Evangelina. Since coming to the Club, she's found a powerful way to grow through cooking, turning time in the kitchen into both a creative outlet and a source of calm.

"When I'm stressed out, I love to bake or cook. You can focus on cooking more than what is stressing you out."

At the Club, Evangelina is building practical skills—from learning how to measure ingredients to following recipes step by step—while gaining confidence with every class. Her growth doesn't stop when she leaves for the day; inspired by what she's learned, Evangelina even baked a cake at home to bring back and share with the Club community.

"I like the community. The people who come here are nice. We learn a lot of things."

Through experiences like these, Evangelina is growing healthy habits, confidence, and connection—one recipe at a time.

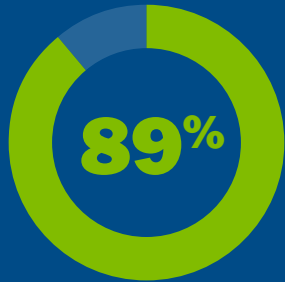


Academics Program

We cultivate a love of learning through innovative, targeted academic programming that makes education accessible and fun. Building off skills learned during the school day, our STEM and literacy programs equip Club kids with the foundational skills needed to succeed in life.

Thanks to you, Club members have access to the tools and experiences that help learning stick.

Your Impact in Action



of Club members
enjoy learning
new things



57,105
books read



Skills That Stick

At the Jack A. Vickers Boys & Girls Club, the STEM lab buzzes with energy—and often, right at the center of it, is Adrian.

A curious and tech savvy third grader, Adrian visits the STEM lab every day, drawn to challenges that let him think, build, and problem solve. Math and science are his favorite subjects, and his confidence shines brightest when he's helping others navigate computers.

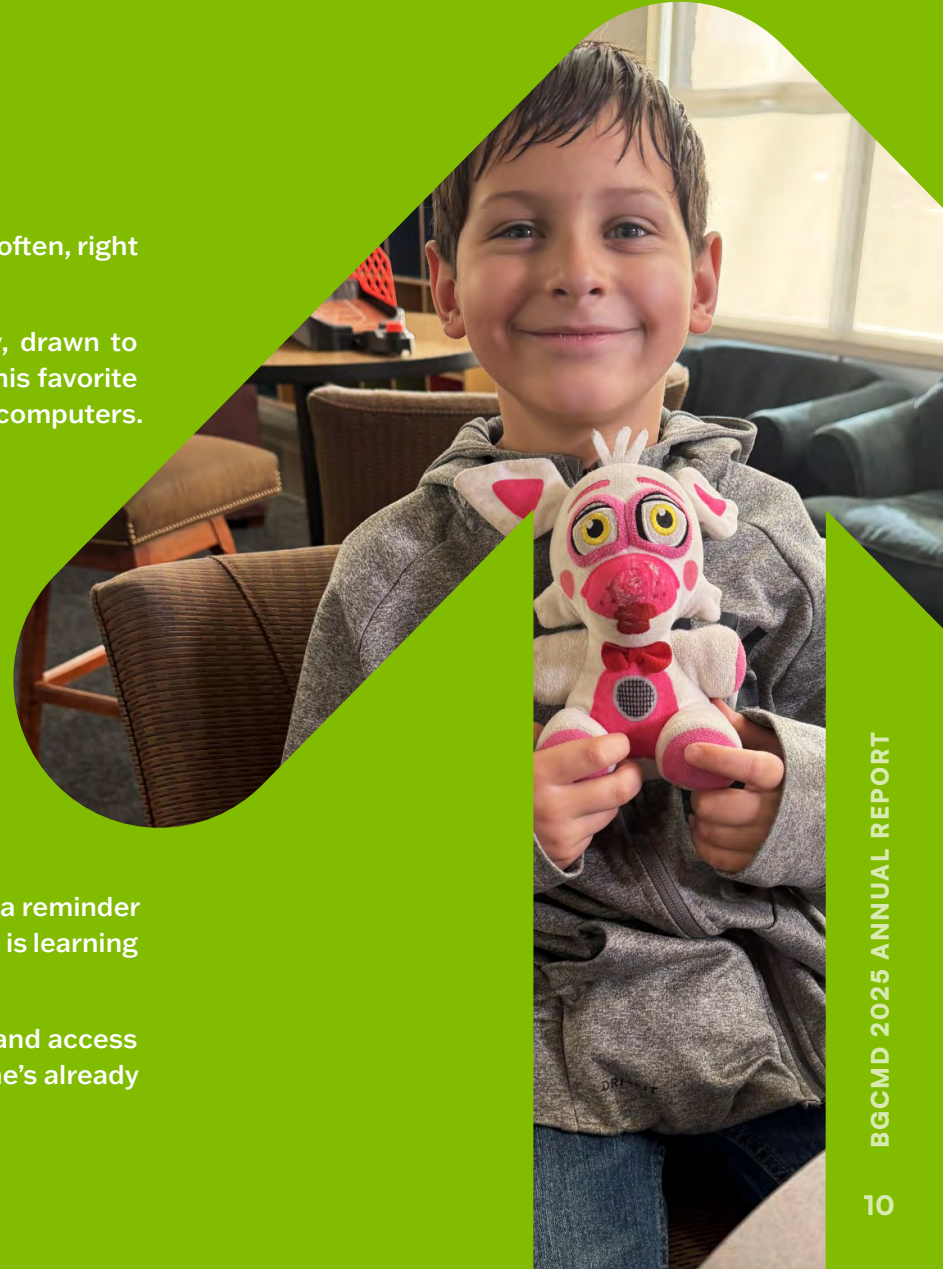
“I’m more of a tech guy and help people here with computers,” he shared proudly.

Through hands on projects and daily practice, Adrian is building skills that stick—problem solving, persistence, and confidence he carries with him beyond the lab. Each experience brings his future into clearer focus.

“I want to make things with robots when I grow up,” he said, his excitement unmistakable.

In his photo, Adrian holds a small doll named Foxey—a gift from his cousin and a reminder of the people who believe in him. It's a fitting companion in a space where Adrian is learning to believe in himself, too.

Kids like Adrian are why our Academics Program prioritizes hands on learning and access to tools that spark imagination. Every hour in the STEM lab strengthens skills he's already beginning to use—and lays the foundation for what comes next.



Character & Leadership

We nurture the spark of leadership in every Club kid—amplifying their voices, building confidence, and empowering them to create positive change. Through the hands on leadership experiences, service opportunities, and mentorship your support makes possible, young people develop the skills to shape their own futures and strengthen their communities.

From early leadership opportunities like peer mentoring to signature programs like Youth of the Year, Torch, and Keystone Clubs, kids and teens build skills in advocacy, teamwork, and service—growing into confident leaders ready to lead with purpose today and into the future.

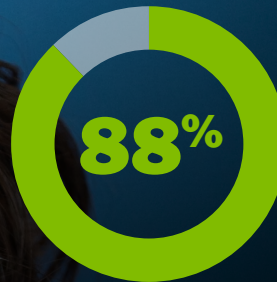


**Your Impact
in Action**



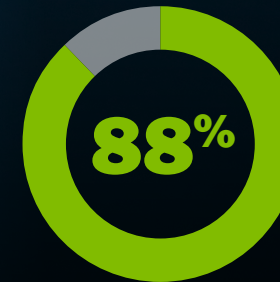
98%

of Club seniors
graduate



88%

have a career
in mind



88%

feel prepared
to get a job

Ready to Lead

Seventeen year old Josh is a familiar face at the William E. Cope Boys & Girls Club. Over the past eight years, he's grown alongside the Club—steadily stepping into leadership roles through Keystone Club and learning what it means to lead by example.

Those leadership skills don't stop at the meeting room. They've even "dribbled" onto the basketball court, where Josh is often found helping younger kids refine their free throws and three pointers, offering encouragement as readily as coaching.

As he looks ahead to life after high school, Josh plans to pursue a degree in mechanical engineering. He credits the Club with helping him prepare—not just academically, but personally—for the future he's working toward.

"During my time at the Club, I've learned to respect adults and myself."

Through programs like Keystone Club, Josh has built the confidence, character, and leadership skills that will guide him well beyond the Club's doors—ready to take on college, career, and the responsibilities that come with shaping his own future.



Community Impact, Decades in the Making

The impact of Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver extends far beyond our walls. Through family events, community traditions, field trips, volunteers, partnerships, and shared celebrations, nearly 40,000 young people each year connect with the people and places that make a city feel full of possibility.



+ CORPORATE PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

A partnership that feeds more than appetites



To help address food insecurity, childhood obesity, and gaps in nutrition education faced by many families, we partnered with Simply Good Foods to “cook up” a multi year collaboration: the Spark & Spoon Project.

At the heart of the partnership is the *Spark & Spoon Family Cookbook*, a collection of recipes submitted by Boys & Girls Club families from Mexico, Brazil, Venezuela, and beyond.

More than a cookbook, it’s a celebration of cultural diversity, family traditions, and the powerful role food plays in bringing people together. Each recipe tells a story—of heritage, connection, and the shared experience of gathering around a table.

The Spark & Spoon Project brings communities together while supporting essential Healthy Lifestyles programs that help kids across Metro Denver grow healthier, stronger, and more confident.

In 2025, cookbooks were made available for purchase at select King Soopers locations, with 100% of proceeds benefiting Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver’s Healthy Lifestyles Program—turning every page into an investment in kids and families.

Partnerships like this—combined with support from people across our community—expand what’s possible for kids and families.



+ CLUBHOUSE SPONSOR HIGHLIGHT

Making a Difference for Decades



In 2025, the Suncor Boys & Girls Club in Commerce City celebrated a meaningful milestone: 10 years of empowering young people. This decade of impact was made possible by the partnership and generosity of Suncor Energy, U.S.A. What began as a shared vision—to create a safe, welcoming place for kids—has grown into a vibrant community hub that has served more than 3,000 young people over the past decade.

Suncor's commitment to Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver runs even deeper. For nearly 20 years, Suncor has stood alongside the organization, helping it grow and show up for kids and families with heart. They are more than funders—they're family. From serving as a Clubhouse Sponsor to rolling up their sleeves as volunteers at summer camp, Suncor's partnership has left a lasting imprint on the Club, the community, and the young people who walk through the Suncor Boys & Girls Club doors every day.

Huge Thanks to All of Our Clubhouse Sponsors

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A COMMUNITY THAT OPENS DOORS

We're deeply grateful to the generous individuals, families, companies, and foundations who invest in kids and make possibility real behind our blue doors. **Explore our donor community**—and join those helping more young people grow, belong, and thrive.

Transparency & Accountability



Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver is proud to be recognized among the nation's highest-rated nonprofit organizations by GuideStar. We have earned GuideStar's Platinum Seal of Transparency by voluntarily sharing the measures of progress and results that advance our mission. For 65 years, our commitment to financial stewardship, accountability, and openness has helped make us one of Colorado's most trusted youth-serving organizations.



Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Denver is proud to be highly rated by Charity Navigator. Charity Navigator evaluates nonprofits across Impact & Measurement, Accountability & Finance, Culture & Community, and Leadership & Adaptability. This recognition reflects our commitment to strong stewardship, meaningful results, and creating brighter futures for kids across Metro Denver.



Our 2025 Financials

Revenue

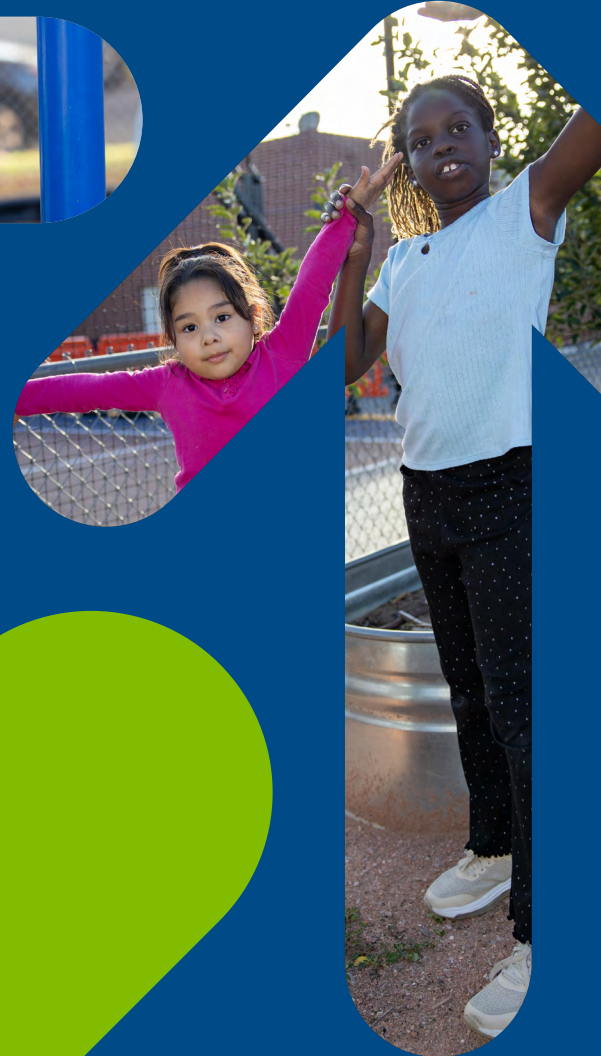
Contributions	\$7,839,437.42
Investment Income, net	\$6,383,091.37
Government Grants	\$2,863,863.09
Special Events	\$1,745,568.62
Contract Revenue	\$3,155,924.25
Raffle Revenue	\$4,089,755.00
In-Kind	\$3,109,895.39
Membership Dues	\$181,535.53
Federal Stimulus	\$1,920,409.26
Other	\$377,252.86
Total Revenue	\$31,666,732.79

Expenses

Programs for Kids	\$19,565,412.00
Raffle Expenses	\$3,228,884.00
Fundraising	\$2,345,870.00
Administration	\$3,106,642.00
Total Expenses	\$28,246,808.00

Sources of Contributions

Corporations	\$3,403,603.24
Foundations	\$2,190,773.03
Individuals	\$2,244,983.38
Total Contributions	\$7,839,437.42



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