

The POSITIVE Place



GREAT FUTURES
START HERE!



Helping 7,589 children achieve their
full potential as productive, responsible
and caring citizens.



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF GREATER OXNARD AND
PORT HUENEME



PROOF POSITIVE*

One child at a time, the BGCOP helps build a stronger society and a better future for us all.

Club Kids Graduate High School.

- ♦ 96% of BGCOP youth graduate high school
- ♦ 62% of Oxnard youth graduate high school

Comparing BGCOP high school graduates with dropouts, Club kids' combined earnings per year will be \$106,586 more each year and \$3,045,306 more over their lifetime. (Data based on educational attainment and average annual earnings).



Club Kids Don't Have Kids.

- ♦ 0% of Club members give birth
- ♦ 14% of Oxnard teen girls give birth

Taxpayer savings: \$308,448 in childbirth expenses and \$12,788,307 over a lifetime of social services on average, for a teen mom and her children. Teen moms are less likely to finish high school, more likely to need public health care and welfare. Their children are more likely to do poorly in school and are at greater risk for abuse and neglect. Sons of teen moms are 13 percent more likely to commit violent crimes and go to prison.



Club Kids Steer Clear of Crime.

- ♦ 3.1% of Club members have been arrested
- ♦ 9.1% of Oxnard youth have been arrested

Taxpayer savings in juvenile justice system costs: \$21,384,000 per year.

Members Behave Better at Home and School.

- ♦ 94% of parents said their child is more confident
- ♦ 95% of parents said the greatest improvement was their child's enjoyment of school



Members Improve Their Academics.

- 95% of parents saw improvement in their children's scores
- 90% of students say the BGCOP after-school program is helping them with school work



The Clubs Provide a Safe Haven for Kids.

- 89% of parents need the after-school program to keep their children safe while they are working
- 89% of parents said they have no other safe option to send their children

Club Kids Make Healthier Choices.

- 71% of Club parents agree their children are now making better food and beverage choices
- 90% of Club parents agree their children are more interested in physical exercise

**All data cited are based on independent studies conducted by Dr. Jamshid Damooei, director of the Center for Leadership and Values at California Lutheran University. Complete documentation is available at www.positiveplace4kids.org.*



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The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Oxnard and Port Hueneme serve every child, age 6 to 18, who wants to belong. There is an annual membership fee of \$15, though the generosity of our donors ensures the fee is never a barrier.

All members have access to all programs which feature:

- Education and career opportunities
- Character and leadership development
- Health and life skills
- Fitness and recreation
- Arts, including photography and videography
- Special initiatives such as Peace Thru Music, Resisting Aggression Defensively for teen girls, Voices of Hope Choir and Orchestra, Network for Teaching Entrepreneurship, College Bound and the SkillsTutor Technology program

Besides being fun and friend-making, our programs feature a line-up of nationally recognized, tested and proven ways to engage youth while addressing today's most pressing youth issues including childhood obesity, alcohol/drug abuse, teen pregnancy, bullying, gangs, violence and crime.

Our membership:

African American 5%, Asian 3%, Hispanic 77%, Native American 1%,
Caucasian 10%, Multi-racial 4%

Boys 59%

Girls 41%

Average daily attendance: 2,247 children per day across 18 sites





At Schools and in Clubhouses

BGCOP supports kids' positive development through on-site after-school programs, and in our full-service clubhouses. These programs give children after-school snacks, homework help and tutoring, structured fun time and mentoring.

Three full-service clubhouses with specialized staff feature:

- Tech labs with computers and limited/monitored internet connection
- Tutoring rooms with academic resource materials
- Arts and crafts rooms with a multitude of supplies
- Games rooms with board games, ping-pong, billiards and more
- Gymnasium, equipped for basketball tournaments and other activities and events
- Music room, with a variety of instruments including keyboards, drums, guitars plus band and orchestra instruments.
- A separate clubhouse "The Club," for teens complete with a college and career center, weight/fitness room and recording studio.
- Commercial kitchen that serves snacks and dinners each school day.

"THE AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM PROMOTES BENEFITS TO SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY, IT TIES TO WHAT GOES ON IN SCHOOL DURING THE DAY. IT'S A COHESIVE PROGRAM, STUDENTS FEEL IS A SAFE, PROTECTIVE ENVIRONMENT, WHICH ALLOWS THEM TO EXPERIENCE NOT ONLY ACADEMIC BUT SOCIAL SKILLS."

- MARLENE CARABELLO-DALTON,
PRINCIPAL, TIERRA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Clubhouses

Martin V. Smith Youth Center

1900 W. Fifth Street, Oxnard

Harriet H. Samuelsson Branch

126 E. Seventh Street, Oxnard

Port Hueneme Branch

590 E. Pleasant Valley Road, Port Hueneme

After-school Program Sites

Nine Campuses, Rio School District

Four Campuses, Ocean View School District

Squires Public Housing Unit

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AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS HAVE DEVELOPED
A SET OF ABSOLUTES WHICH HAVE CREATED
MEANINGFUL TUTORING AND INTERVENTION
OPPORTUNITIES AROUND THE ESSENTIAL
STANDARDS..."

-JEFF TURNER, PRINCIPAL, RIO LINDO SCHOOL





Incarcerated Youth Chart a New Course.

BGCOP was first in the nation to establish a Club inside the walls of a youth detention center. With focus on the same core program areas as our other clubhouses, children enrolled in the program are prepared before and mentored after their release into the community, creating a better future for them and our society.

Repeat offense rate:

Among Club youth is 15 percent.

National rate is more than 60 percent.

The Club makes the difference. BGCOP inspires these at-risk youth and teaches them valuable life skills. Eighty-four percent of participants stay in school and earn academic credentials that will help them become employed, and 87 percent say the program taught them useful job skills. Thirty-six percent of participants are employed. All youth who responded to an evaluation survey said the program made them more hopeful about their lives and changed the way they deal with their problems.



MAKE A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE FOR KIDS!

YOU WILL HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON A YOUNG LIFE...

when you support the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Oxnard and Port Hueneme. Join our effort to reach every child in the Oxnard and Port Hueneme area.

We help 7,589 children achieve a better life, but we need to reach more, and we can only do it with your help.

DONATE—86% of all donations go directly to programs that reach children.

VOLUNTEER—Be a coach or mentor and share your expertise with Club members. There are many ways to become involved as a volunteer.

CONNECT—Help the Club's message, Great Futures Start Here, reach more youth, more donors and more volunteers. Help BGCOP expand its reach and positive impact in our community.

JOIN—Involvement opportunities include special event and program sponsorships, Corporate Champions, the Young Professionals Network, the BGCOP Alumni Association, special committees for events and projects.

Visit www.positiveplace4kids.org to meet some great Club kids, learn more about our programs and sign-up to make a positive impact on a young life, because...

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OUR MISSION:

To inspire and enable all youth, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, responsible and caring adults.