



**2019**

# 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 Boys & Girls Club really helped me find my inner self and true passion*”

**Maureen Ferrer**  
Youth of the Year

The Club provided a safe place to go after school and stay out of trouble. The Club taught Maureen how to overcome the worst, while also being her best.

Serving as President of Torch Club and Keystone, she actively serves as a role model for younger kids. Maureen says joining these programs helped boost her self-esteem, leadership skills and the ability to speak in public.

Maureen has also served as a junior counselor, art teacher, and a SMART Girls and STEM Mentor. Diplomas2Degrees helped her learn about college and different career paths. Each program Maureen participated in taught her something useful for her future.

Maureen graduated from Stamford High School in 2019 and will be attending Central Connecticut State University in the fall.



## The Need in Our State

Every day 109,150 kids in Connecticut leave school with nowhere to go.<sup>1</sup> They risk being unsupervised, unguided and unsafe.

## Our Reach



## Member Demographics



# Demonstrating Our Positive Impact



## ACADEMIC SUCCESS

### The Need

11% of young people in Stamford fail to graduate from high school on time.<sup>2</sup>

### What We Do

We provide homework and tutoring programs that help kids develop good study habits. Diploma2Degree and Career Launch also assist teens explore careers and make plans to achieve their goals.

### Our Impact

Among our teen-aged Club members, **99%** expect to graduate from high school, and **95%** expect to complete some kind of post-secondary education.

### The Need

24% of high-school youth in Stamford were involved in a physical fight in the past year.<sup>3</sup>

### What We Do

We empower youth to become good leaders in the community with a passion for helping others through programs like Torch Club, Keystone Club, Youth of the Year, and 5th Quarter.

### Our Impact

**75%** of Club teen members volunteer in their community at least once per year, while **41%** volunteer in their community at least once per month.



## GOOD CHARACTER AND CITIZENSHIP



## HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

### The Need

25% of young people ages 10-17 in Connecticut are overweight or obese.<sup>4</sup>

### What We Do

Our programs help youth engage in positive behaviors that nurture their well-being. Triple Play, Sports Leagues, Healthy Habits, Dance, SMART Girls, and Passport to Manhood all promote that.

### Our Impact

**50%** 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 Club of Stamford 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 **Sam Gordon, Director of Development, Boys & Girls Club of Stamford**, [sgordon@bgcastamford.org](mailto:sgordon@bgcastamford.org) or donate now at <https://www.bgcastamford.org/donations-2>

## GREAT FUTURES START HERE.



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

<sup>2</sup> [portal.ct.gov/sde](http://portal.ct.gov/sde)

<sup>3</sup> [cdc.gov/healthyyouth/data/yrbs/pdf/2017/ss6708.pdf](http://cdc.gov/healthyyouth/data/yrbs/pdf/2017/ss6708.pdf)

<sup>4</sup> <https://datacenter.kidscount.org/data/tables/9700-children-and-teens-overweight-or-obese-by-gender?>