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## **Our Mission**

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

# 2018 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 Need in Our State

Every day 1,247,699 kids in California leave school with nowhere to go. <sup>1</sup>They risk being unsupervised, unguided and unsafe.

**Our Reach** 



**FIRE** 

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Boys & Girls Club Sites in Merced County

250 Volunteers

**2,723** 

Youth Served

**590** 

Registered Members

2.133

Youth Served Through Community Outreach

## **Member Demographics**

80%

Ages 12

and Younger

20%

Teens

**78%** 

Minority Races or Ethnicities

47%

Qualify for Free or Reduced-Price School Lunch 43%

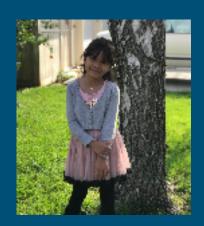
Live in Single-Parent Households My favorite thing about the Club is seeing my favorite staff and friends.

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## **Morgan Wilson**

Club Member - Age 7

Morgan has been a member at the Club since August 2017. She is a bright, bubbly, and busy club member. Morgan participates in an abundant amount of extracurricular activities outside of the club and school. Yet, she still finds the time to come to the Club. Since being at the club, Morgan has been recognized as one of our top three club members with Perfect Attendance. Which she was rewarded with an award and gift card. While at the club, Morgan participates in our SMART Girls Program: Skills Maturity and Retention Training. This program has aided her in enhancing her already great character and leadership skills. Morgan's bright and bubbly personality inspires staff and other club members to better their characters and be leaders within their community. Morgan has been and is a Club Rockstar!



## **Demonstrating Our Positive Impact**



## **The Need**

9% of young people in Merced fail to graduate from high school on time.<sup>2</sup>

## **What We Do**

Power Hour provides academic support to all youth, including extended learning opportunities through service learning projects in the Club and in our community.

## **Our Impact**

Among our teen-aged Club members, 62% expect to graduate from high school, and 50% expect to complete some kind of post-secondary educa-

#### The Need

22% of high-school youth in Merced County were involved in a physical fight in the past year.<sup>3</sup>

#### What We Do

Torch and Keystone Club work collaboratively to develop community service learning projects at the club and in our community to build character and leadership among our youth.

## **Our Impact**

**67%** of Club teen members volunteer in their community at least once per year, while **67%** volunteer in their community at least once per month.





#### **The Need**

46% of young people ages 9-14 in Merced County are overweight or obese.<sup>4</sup>

## **What We Do**

Through Triple Play: Mind, Body, & Soul, Healthy Habits, and our everyday Snack & Meal program, members engage in behaviors and disciplines to encourage consistent healthy life choices.

## **Our Impact**

56% 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 Merced County 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 Nellie McGeary, Interim CEO, Boys and Girls Club of Merced County, 209.722.9922. www.bgcmerced.org

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