



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF BENTON COUNTY

2009 ANNUAL REPORT

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OUR MISSION

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
FAMILY AND
COMMUNITY WE COMMIT
TO PROVIDE
PROGRAMS, SERVICES, AND
FACILITIES
TO ENABLE AND INSPIRE
OUR YOUTH TO REACH
THEIR FULL POTENTIAL



2009 FROM THE TOP

2009 has been a tough financial year for many of our kids and their families. Local families now have a greater need for support than ever before. In 2009 our services and resources extended to assist families with food security, school supplies, and the number of scholarships given to kids for after school and summer development programs tripled. We have experienced record attendance in all areas of developmental programming from alcohol and drug resistance training to nutrition education. The positive

outcomes you will see in the following pages are possible because of the time invested by our volunteer board of directors and dedicated staff and through community involvement and investment. I would like to say thank you to all of our Corporate Partners, Donors, Volunteers, and Staff for providing support for the kids in Benton County. It is my privilege to work and live in a community that sees each and every child as a building block to the future.

Jacob Hutson
Chief Professional Officer

2009 QUICK REVIEW

Members: **3,480**

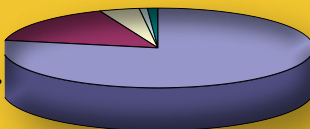
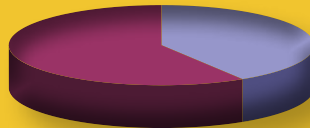
Average Daily Attendance: **518**

Gender: **41%** Female **59%** Male

Ethnicity: **78%** Caucasian **16%** Hispanic

4% African American **1%** Asian

& **1%** Native American



2009 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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2009 LOOKING BACK



January 24th — 3rd annual **Texas Hold'em Tournament**, sponsored by Degree, held at the Bentonville Plaza with over 80 participants. The final 9 players won some fantastic prizes. All of the attendees had a great time and were able to raise funds for kids' programs & services at the Boys and Girls Club of Benton County.

February 21 — 15th annual **Ladies Auxiliary Winter Ball** held at the Clarion Hotel in Bentonville. The whimsical theme attracted more than 400 community members. Attendees dressed in Vegas attire and bid on auction items including a wall art masterpiece created by our very own Club Kids.

March 5 — **2009 Youth of the Year Banquet** recognized Andrew Endicott. Seventy-five people gathered at the McKinney Unit to celebrate this exceptional youth. Andrew gave a speech on his life and how the club helped him to become the outstanding person he is today. He is now giving back by working as a staff member at the Boys and Girls Club and pursuing a degree in architecture at the University of Arkansas.

August 7-8 — **15th Annual Summer Classic Golf Tournament** held at the Kingsdale Golf Complex in Bella Vista. The Exxon/Mobil sponsored event was a huge success with

nearly 500 golfers. The participants enjoyed attending the Sony PlayStation sponsored Beach Party held at the John Q. Hammons Center. More than 400 partygoers attended the event and enjoyed listening to TJ Scarlett and bidding on auction items donated by local businesses.

October 8 — The first **Family PLUS Cook-Off** sponsored by Kimberly-Clark & Boys and Girls Clubs of America. Families throughout the county submitted their favorite dish to get a chance to compete in the Cook-Off. Four families were chosen for the Cook-Off. The Alvarado family made the winning dish & moved

on to compete at the national level in Dallas.

December 12 - **Bikes, Trikes, and Toys for Tikes Bike Run** at the Fairgrounds attracted over 150 kids and their families. Pig Trail Harley Davidson collected two gifts for each child. Santa Claus made a grand entrance on a Harley Davidson while kids lined up to tell him of their Christmas wish list. Each family received a box of food that included a turkey.



SUPPORT FOR LEARNING

2009 BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB ACTIVITIES IN SUPPORT OF IN-SCHOOL LEARNING

913 kids attended the Power Hour homework help sessions in 2009.

- 37% of these kids were minority children
- 51% of them were male

RESULTS:

- Boys and Girls Club Kids have a commitment to school at an average rate of 35% higher than their Benton County Peers.¹

- Boys and Girls Club Kids felt a risk of school failure at an average 28% less than their Benton County peers.¹
- 98% of Boys and Girls Club children plan to remain in school¹ (School completion rate for the 5 districts we serve range from 58% to 85%²).
- 100% of kids passed to the next grade on time.³

38 KIDS READING BELOW GRADE-LEVEL ATTENDED THE SUMMER READING

Grades K-3 children participating in the Summer Reading Camp had an overall average improvement of 63% in post-assessments over pre-assessments in the indicators of Unknown Letters, Unknown Sounds, Sight Words, and Reading Passages.⁵

Grade 4-9 children participating in Summer Reading Camp had an average Reading Fluency improvement of 7% when comparing post-assessments over pre-assessments scores and had a slight increase in reading grade level compared to a normal national average summer loss in reading grade-level and fluency⁴.

Power learning is made possible in part through funding from the Winthrop Rockefeller Foundation, the Carl and Alleen McKinney Foundation, the Bank of America Foundation and Walmart Foundation.

¹ Information gathered from 138 children participating in the 2009 Summer and Fall Boys and Girls Club Needs Assessment and Outcome Survey compared to information from the 2008 Arkansas Prevention Need Assessment Student Survey for Benton County cohort

² EdWeek.org w/funding from the Annie E. Casey Foundation
³ 2009 response of 118 parents on the 2009 Caregiver Needs Assessment and Outcome Survey

⁴ Cooper, Nye, Charlton, Lindsay, & Greathouse 1996 and Maryann Mraz, Timothy V. Rasinski, May 2007

⁵ Comparison of average pre-test scores to post-test scores





2009 BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB SMART MOVES

Our children have high risk for early initiation and use of alcohol and drugs:

- 8% report being drunk or high at school
- 13% report having used an illegal drug in the past 30 days
- 10% report “binge drinking”
- 23% report friends using drugs

SMART Moves is made possible in part by the Arkansas DHS - Alcohol & Drug Abuse Prevention

SMART Moves is a 10 session age appropriate training that gives children skills to resist antisocial behaviors.

443 children attended SMART Moves in 2009

RESULTS:
SKILLS TO MAKE POSITIVE CHOICES

- Reducing risk for antisocial behaviors
- Children participating in SMART Moves showed a 17% gain in resis-

tance skill when comparing average pre-test scores to post-test scores.

- Boys and Girls Club children were less likely to use drugs at a rate of 13% less, use alcohol at a rate of 14% less, and had the intention not to use drugs at a rate of 33% greater than their peers.¹
- 71% of parents agreed that there was an observable improvement in their children’s behavior.³
- Club children report having the skills

to make positive choices at a rate 25% greater than their peers.¹

SOCIAL PROTECTIONS

- Club children report opportunities for pro-social involvement at a rate of 38% greater than their peers.¹
- Club children report having positive peer associations at a rate of 13% greater than their peers.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

KEYSTONE CLUBS/ TORCH CLUB

Keystone and Torch Club provide leadership development opportunities for targeted age groups. Within these clubs, members elect officers to plan and implement their own activities and community service projects.



Ages 11 - 13



Ages 14 - 18

- Leadership and Service Clubs meet weekly and provide positive association and pro-social activities
- 95 Kids attended Torch and Keystone Leadership Clubs

Benton County children have a need for social protections:

- 40% of Benton County children report interacting with "antisocial peers".
- Only 52% of Benton County children report community opportunities for pro-social involvement.

Benton County Boys & Girls Club children had more positive associations and opportunities to participate in positive activities.

- Boys and Girls Club children are 13% more likely to have a positive influence on their peers.¹
- Boys and Girls Club children are 38% higher to have opportunities for positive activities than their peers.

Keystone and Torch Club members gave 2,235 hours in service to Benton County communities.

HEALTH & PHYSICAL FITNESS

TRIPLE PLAY

Through Triple Play: A Game Plan for the Mind, Body and Soul, kids learn how eating right, keeping fit, and forming positive relationships create a healthy lifestyle.

- Arkansas ranks worst in the nation in percentage of children who are overweight or obese
- Arkansas ranks 44th (worst) in the nation in overall health indicators.
- Our region has seen a 77% increase in obesity from 1991 to 2000. Obesity has continually increased by an additional 25% from 2000 to 2008.

Triple Play is made possible in part by the General Mills Sales Champions and the Unilever Foundation.

Dental screenings were made possible through support of the Johnson & Johnson Corporation.

308 children attended Healthy Habits, a formal nutrition education course

1,322 children participated in daily group fitness challenges

336 children were provided dental screening

795 children participated in organized basketball leagues

783 children participated in organized football leagues

120 children participated in organized volleyball leagues



HIGH RISK MENTORING

Youth that have a positive relationship with a caring and responsible adult outside the home or school tend to:

- Have a sense of competence and confidence in themselves and their abilities.
- Delay the initiation of sexual activity
- Have an increase in academic performance
- Abstain from using drugs and other antisocial behaviors

From a 2009 caregiver response outcome survey, caregivers identified the following:

- 75% of their children improved in school
- 88% of their children avoided negative behaviors
- 100% observed improvement in their child's attitude
- 100% observed improvement in their child's confidence

58 high-risk children were in supportive individual mentoring relationships with a caring adult in the Club Buddies Program.

FAMILY SUPPORT & OUTREACH

The Boys and Girls Club, true to mission, partners with a variety of civic and community organizations to meet familial needs of our children. In 2009 the Club partnered with:

- The cities of Bentonville and Rogers to provide 82 of the 602 total scholarships to kids from low-income families. This represents 28% of all memberships to the Boys and Girls Club
- AARP to assist 717 families prepare tax returns and 132 families apply for 1040A Stimulus funds
- USDA to provide Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program education to Latino families
- Goizueta Foundation to provide outreach and support to the local Latino community
- Payless Shoes to provide shoes to 75 families
- 831 Volunteers to provide service and support

VOLUNTEER

To volunteer contact Mandy Jayne (479) 273-7187 or email: mjayne@bgcbentoncounty.org

**GIVE THE MOST PRECIOUS GIFT-
YOUR TIME AND TALENT**

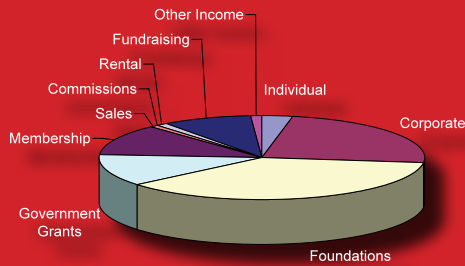


FINANCIALS

2009 Revenues Amount

Individual.....	\$ 59,639
Corporate.....	534,248
Foundations.....	811,808
Government Grants.....	261,924
Membership.....	264,206
Sales	26,648
Commissions	842
Rental	17,355
Fundraising	189,490
Other Income	29,085

Total\$2,195,248



2009 Expenses Actual

Management & General... \$	360,923
Program.....	1,479,359
Special Events.....	132,104

Total\$1,972,386

2010 Expenses Budget

Management & General... \$	232,045
Program.....	1,253,342
Special Events.....	130,031

Total \$1,615,418

Our 2008 IRS form 990 can be seen at guidestar.org

SUPPORT

To provide the programs and services that achieve these results the Boys and Girls Club of Benton County relies on the support of the community. One opportunity can make a lasting impact in a child's life. One person can help fulfill a child's dream of a brighter tomorrow. Unlike other investments, an investment in our children can only grow over time. Your investment can create an opportunity or fulfill a dream; you can be the voice of the future! An investment in any amount can make a long-term difference for our kids.

TO DONATE BY MAIL

PO Box 448, Bentonville, AR 72712 or for other options visit our website at bgcbentoncounty.org.

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AWARDS

The Boys and Girls Club of Benton County was the sole recipient of the national Will Rogers Be Healthy, Be Fit, Be Great Award for its approach to child health and wellness.

Pat Kunnecke, 15 year Board Member, was awarded the 2009 Southwest Region Champion for Youth Award from Boys and Girls Club of America.

Terri Allen, past Board President, was awarded the Friend of the Youth award.

Jacob Hutson, Chief Professional Officer, was awarded the 2009 Rookie of the Year Award for the Southwest Region of the Boys and Girls Club of America.

Drew Collom, 2009 Board President, was the Board Member of the Year.

John Sampson, Board Member, was awarded 2009 Rookie of the Year.

Michelle Serfass, Board Member, was awarded 2009 Unsung Hero.

Kari Fletcher, Recreation Coordinator, was awarded the 2009 Above and Beyond Award of Benton County Boys and Girls Club representing all four locations.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to these recipients, Wal-mart Foundation and our supporters for their continued service to provide thousands of children in Benton County with a positive place to go afterschool and during the summer.

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