



Our Mission

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

2021

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.

“ Without the Club, it's very possible that I'd either be dead or in prison. ”

Alvin Loggins
Boys & Girls Club of Joliet Alum

In January of 2016 Alvin's father passed away. The loss of his father was the loss of everything he had believed in and aspired to be. Alvin had no friends or family to turn to - he felt scared and he felt alone. That's where the Boys & Girls Club of Joliet stepped in - the friendships Alvin had developed with the mentors and other members helped him get back on his feet.

"Without the Boys & Girls Club of Joliet, it's very possible that I'd be in one of two places - dead or in prison. They sure have kept me out of trouble and helped me become the man I am today. I can't thank them enough for that."

Alvin, now 22 years old, has been a member of the Boys & Girls Club since he was six. He is now a Club Alumni member who remains in touch with the Boys & Girls Club of Joliet to this day.



The Need in Our State

Every day 282,249 kids in Illinois leave school with nowhere to go.¹ They risk being unsupervised, unguided and unsafe.

Our Reach



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Boys & Girls Club Site in Joliet, IL



Member Demographics



Demonstrating Our Positive Impact



ACADEMIC SUCCESS

The Need

30% of young people in Joliet, Illinois fail to graduate from high school on time.²

What We Do

To keep our members on track for graduation we offer the following: Power Hour Homework Help, Academic Supplementary Assistance, My.Future Computer Skills Program, and a Teen Job Fair.

Our Impact

Among our teen-aged Club members, **80%** expect to graduate from high school, and **60%** expect to complete some kind of post-secondary education.

The Need

24% of high-school youth in Joliet, Illinois were involved in a physical fight in the past year.³

What We Do

To promote good character and citizenship among our members we offer a Youth Mentoring Program, Member of the Month awards, and a Youth of the Year Program.

Our Impact

90% of Club teen members volunteer in their community at least once per year, while **50%** volunteer in their community at least once per month.



GOOD CHARACTER AND CITIZENSHIP



HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

The Need

33% of young people ages 10-18 in Joliet, Illinois are overweight or obese.⁴

What We Do

Healthy lifestyles for our members are assured by our Health & Welfare Program, in-house sports leagues, as well as the Northern Illinois Food Bank Healthy Eating Program.

Our Impact

85% 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 Joliet 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 Kahlil Diab, Executive Director, Boys & Girls Club of Joliet, 815.723.3434. Please visit www.bgcjoliet.com/donate to make a

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

² <https://www.dosomething.org/us/facts/11-facts-about-high-school-dropout-rates>

³ http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/youthviolence/schoolviolence/data_stats.html

⁴ <http://kff.org/other/state-indicator/overweightobese-children/?currentTimeframe=0>