



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF MERCER COUNTY

85ways

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The Boys & Girls Clubs of Mercer County opened its doors 85 years ago to Trenton-area youth. We're celebrating looking back at the 85 ways we've helped neighborhood kids thrive—after school, all summer, from one generation to the next. We've helped countless youth to the path of success in education, career, and life. This year, help us continue changing lives. Together we have. Tomorrow we will.

Volunteer – From teen mentoring and conducting workshops, to planning special events and working at our garden and bike exchange, there are many ways to get involved. Volunteers maintain, grow, and expand our programs and resources, so together we can improve lives of local youth.

Participate – From fundraisers and workshops, to conferences and events, you or your organization can engage to benefit youth and make lives better.

Give – You or your organization can contribute in so many ways with donations, an organizational grant, charitable distribution, or planned gift.

Changing Young Lives



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Growing and harvesting at our urban garden



Learning chess and life lessons from the game



Fostering leadership skills and role models with Youth of the Year



Outdoor education for learning and recreation



Exploring STEM careers and what's possible



Improving literacy with targeted and online curriculum



Expressing oneself through art



Planning for careers and college

DID YOU KNOW?

The Club provides:

- Language arts **support to all 600 youth** in our after school program weekly.
- **Social emotional learning** programming for all youth as an ACES (Adverse Childhood Experiences) informed organization
- **Over 200,000 meals & snacks** served each year.
- **Over \$3,000,000** in financial assistance each year, so no youth is turned away based on ability to pay.
- **Over 100** high school students with **internships** each year.

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After School Program Expansion Provides Much- Needed Support to Improve Lives

This past fall the Club opened six new after school sites at the Grant, Parker & Mott schools in Trenton, and at the Lore, Antheil and Parkway schools in Ewing. These new sites will help the Club support area youth recovering from a year of learning loss due to COVID, and help provide needed childcare for working parents. Your generous support enables the Club to serve 300 more youths a day.



Thinking about volunteering?



Our new and first Director of Volunteer Services can support you and your organization with opportunities to contribute and make a meaningful impact. Contact Ashley, anwanko@bgcmercer.org 609-392-3191 ext. 125



Our Incoming CEO, Reggie Coleman, a 20+ year veteran of the Club and former club kid himself, welcomes everyone in celebrating this important 85th anniversary. Your support means we can continue to change lives.

2022 is about new beginnings...

...and the new ways of reaching the youth of Mercer County. It's also about continuing with what's familiar. Our learning and literacy programs, career support, enrichment, and recreational activities have advanced Mercer's young people for 85 years. Your support will help us continue making positive impacts for another 85 years and beyond. Donate or consider volunteering at www.bgcmercer.org/85-ways or return the enclosed envelope.

