

COVID-19 RESPONSE, RECOVERY, & REOPENING IMPACT REPORT.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

COVID-19 has changed our lives in such a short time.

While all of our lives are impacted, some are affected more than others. With schools out and essential workers hard at work, childcare is a critical need for these families. Boys & Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley has eight Clubs, in four counties, open 10+ hours a day to care for the children of essential workers. We have plans to reopen three of our public housing sites in late May.

At our Clubs, members receive breakfast, lunch and afternoon snacks daily. In addition, members enjoy fun activities under the supervision of caring, trained adults as well as academic support utilizing resources from local school systems.

With safety as our top priority, Clubs are operating on a 9:1 ratio and will continue to adjust based on CDC and Knox County Health Department recommendations.

In the face of COVID-19, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley has been flexible in its service to families who need us most, while also being a steady refuge for young people who walk through our doors.

We're showing up so they can show up.

“Boys & Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley is committed to providing the very best to our members of essential workers during this time. Through the power of community partners, we are able to continue our services and meet the needs of families at a time when they need us most.”
– President & CEO,
Bart McFadden



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OF THE TENNESSEE VALLEY

**Whatever
It Takes to
Build Great
Futures.**



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Clubs are open to children of essential workers

Haslam Family Club
University: 6 am – 6 pm

Regal Entertainment
Group Teen Center:
6 am – 6 pm

Halls/Powell: 6 am – 6 pm

Vestal: 7 am – 6 pm

Northridge Crossing:
7:30 am – 6:00 pm

Ft. Craig (Blount County):
7 am – 6 pm

Loudon County:
6 am – 6 pm

North Anderson County:
7 am – 6 pm



We have plans to reopen

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public housing sites on May 18th to continue to serve children of essential workers and to welcome back our regular members.



17,956

Serving breakfast, lunch, and an afternoon snack to Club members.

450

Family food boxes provided for our members and their families for the weekend.



Effective programs to keep Club members actively engaged when they might not be otherwise while utilizing the academic resources from local school systems.



YAI

Our **Youth Arts Initiative** is offering virtual, digital, and on-site programming for our members.



VBDC

Our **Virtual Blue Door Club** is open to help keep our members engaged and on track with weekly updated content.



52 new

members who are children of essential workers. We are working with **UT Medical Center, Blount Memorial Hospital,** and the **Knox County Sheriff's Office** to provide childcare for their employees.



SEWI

Our Social & Emotional Wellness Initiative works to:

- Promote social and emotional development; including competencies like teamwork, self-awareness, coping strategies, self-control, empathy, and perseverance.

During the COVID-19 response we have continued these efforts with activities including:

- Creating Glitter Bottles that can be used as a tool to practice deep breathing and mindfulness.
- Making and sending gratitude cards to first responders, Club Staff, and other essential workers.
- Art therapy projects to identify protective factors, and conversations about managing frustrations and other challenging emotions.

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- The SEWI team has directly served **83 youth** across our Clubs with focused programming.