

COVID-19 IMPACT REPORT

Thanks to your support, the doors to Boys & Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley (BGCTNV) have remained open, while our schools have closed. We have extended services to include children of essential workers as well as extending our service hours. We have continued our services and met the needs of our members and their families when they needed us most.



Virtual Learning Offered at BGCTNV

“Should I send my child back to school or opt for virtual learning?”

This is the question that many parents found themselves asking when making the decision between virtual learning or in person classroom learning for their children. Boys & Girls Clubs of the Tennessee Valley understood the concerns of parents and collaborated with school systems to offer virtual learning pods at local Boys & Girls Clubs. Currently, four Club locations are offering virtual learning pods: DeBusk Family Club, Fort Craig Club, Haslam Family Club University, and Middlebrook Club.

Providing this service has been beneficial to students and their families in many ways. Parents of Club members have been able to continue to work, secure in the knowledge that their child was in a safe environment that allows them the opportunity for success. For students, coming to the Club each day provides a sense of normalcy in these highly stressful times.



The students who attend the virtual learning pods receive technical and educational support from trained staff members, as well as enjoying the social support of other students. Instead of being at home all day with only their siblings, they get to spend their break times playing with other kids their age. Members are provided with breakfast and lunch, something many families rely on during the school year. Attending virtual school also helps the students continue to have the structure and routine that they would have in school, which helps reduce stress and increases learning, since they are better able to focus on their schoolwork.



Serving Youth at Clinton Elementary School

We are delighted to announce BGCTNV has collaborated with Clinton City Schools to operate an after-school program at Clinton Elementary School. The new Club opened on August 17 and will help meet the needs of the community, which saw its after-school program capacity cut in half due to COVID-19. The Club utilizes various areas of the school, and serves members a nutritious snack each day. In addition, staff provide members with homework help, to ensure they stay on track with their education, which is critically important after missing almost three months of school last school year due to the pandemic.





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Clubs are open

Haslam Family Club
University

Regal Entertainment Group
Teen Center

DeBusk Family Club
(formerly Halls/Powell)

Vestal Club

Northridge Crossing Club

Middlebrook Club

Montgomery Village Club

Walter P. Taylor Club

Western Heights Club

Northwest Middle Club

Norwood Elementary Club

South Knoxville Elementary
Club

Lonsdale Elementary Club

Fort Craig Club

Loudon County Club

Lake City Club

Clinton Elementary Club



964 new

members, many of whom are children of essential workers. **For a total of 2,328 members served.** 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:

- **Character Club** that focused on skills like teamwork, patience, trustworthiness, communication, and friendship that help build resiliency in youth.
- **Fitness Club** which promoted conversations about physical, mental, and emotional wellness.

218

- The SEWI team has directly served **218 Club members.**



110,088

Breakfast, lunch, and afternoon snacks served to Club members.

867

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



Effective programs to keep Club members actively engaged in learning and career development when they might not be otherwise. Our **College & Career Readiness Initiative** provides academic counseling and support, as well as career exploration activities and camps.

Pipeline

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**Statistics are based on services and programming from March 13 – August 31, 2020.*



YAI

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

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