



## Our Mission

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

2018

# IMPACT REPORT



“*The Club gave me HOPE! I was able to be happy again and excited for my future.*”

**Chanelle Williams**  
Asylum Hill Youth of the Year

A few months before joining the Club at age 12, my mom passed away. I was ready to unleash my grief and find a routine to help get some "normalcy" in my life. For the past five years, the Club has done that and more.

The Club is a place I can release stress and enjoy activities again. The Club helped me focus on something else about my future - and not to focus so much of what was happening at home. They enabled me to see all the opportunities I can have. The staff gave me hope again and excited for the future. It's a big part of who I am.

The Club taught me to be my own person. It inspired me not to be scared and show the world I am a strong girl who will do whatever it takes to be successful.

The Club is like a second home and the staff are an extension of my family.

## 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.



## The Need in Our State

Every day 109,150 kids in Connecticut leave school with nowhere to go.<sup>1</sup> They risk being unsupervised, unguided and unsafe.

## Our Reach



## Member Demographics



# Demonstrating Our Positive Impact



## ACADEMIC SUCCESS

### The Need

29% of young people in Hartford, CT fail to graduate from high school on time.<sup>2</sup>

### What We Do

Through programs like Power Hour, and after school homework assistance initiative, Club members have help and support to complete homework and get the extra assistance they need.

### Our Impact

Among our teen-aged Club members, **96%** expect to graduate from high school, and **86%** expect to complete some kind of post-secondary education.

### The Need

17% of high-school youth in Connecticut were involved in a physical fight in the past year.<sup>3</sup>

### What We Do

Club members engaged in Keystone Club are exposed to opportunities within the Club and in the community centered around academic success, career preparation and community service.

### Our Impact

**72%** of Club teen members volunteer in their community at least once per year, while **53%** volunteer in their community at least once per month.



## GOOD CHARACTER AND CITIZENSHIP



## HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

### The Need

16% of young people ages 13-18 in Connecticut are overweight or obese.<sup>4</sup>

### What We Do

Through programs like Triple Play, which promotes critical development in three main areas: Mind, Body & Soul, Club members learn how to make smart food choices and stay physically active.

### Our Impact

**55%** 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 Clubs of Hartford, Inc. 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 **Matthew Broderick, VP of Development, Boys & Girls Clubs of Hartford, 860.929.7665. [www.bgchartford.org](http://www.bgchartford.org)**

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

<sup>2</sup> Connecticut State Department of Education - [www.sde.ct.gov](http://www.sde.ct.gov)

<sup>3</sup> Centers for Disease Control - [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

<sup>4</sup> Obesity Prevention - [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)