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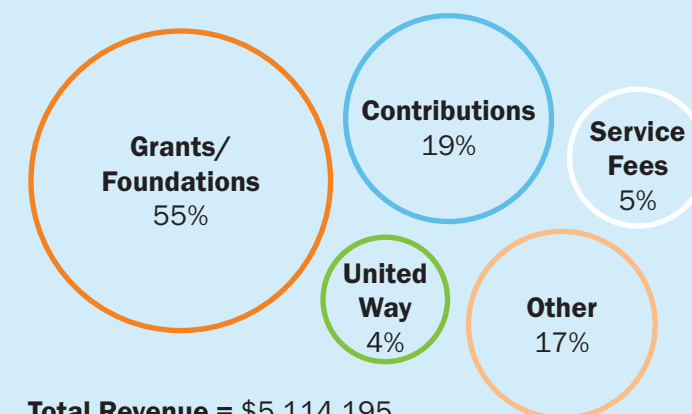
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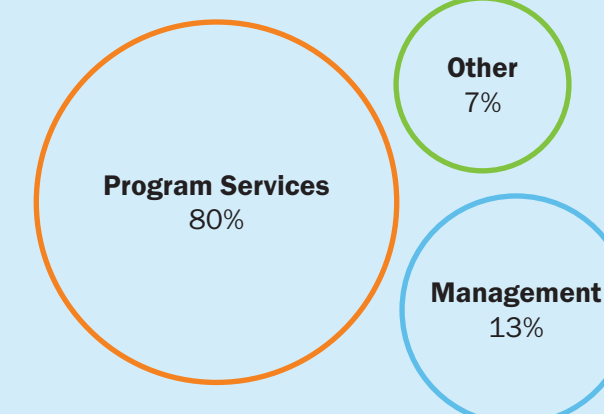
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## Revenue Breakdown



Total Revenue = \$5,114,195

## Expense Breakdown



Total Expenses = \$4,328,362

To view our full financials, visit [www.boysgirlsclubs.com](http://www.boysgirlsclubs.com).

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## Our Mission

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

2020  
ANNUAL REPORT



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
OF LANIER



Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier is grateful for the support of all our donors. Together we are opening doors of opportunity and changing lives. This list represents gifts given during the 2020 fiscal year (Jan. 1-Dec. 31, 2020).



# Letter from the CEO

**COVID-19 changed our world in 2020, but it did not change our commitment to do Whatever it Takes for our kids and families.** It was a year filled with unique challenges and opportunities that will not soon be forgotten. At the Club, we continued to provide kids and families with the help they desperately needed when they had nowhere else to turn. The organization was forced to rethink our approach across the board to continue our mission while making academic success, healthy lifestyles, and good character and citizenship a priority for young people.

It was not a simple task, but I am happy to say we did everything we could to stay connected with our members and families. From making check-in calls, to distributing meals and snacks, to providing a safe and positive place for youth to go for remote learning, **Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier continued to do Whatever It Takes during a time of crisis.** We were able to do this because people like YOU saw the need and trusted us to take charge. Thank you for doing Whatever it Takes to build Great Futures.

Sincerely,



Steven Mickens, Chief Executive Officer



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF LANIER**



## PLAYGROUND REBUILD

During the summer, the playground at BGCL's Positive Place Club was destroyed by arson. The playground provides a safe place to play for Club members, neighboring Fair Street International Academy, and the surrounding community.

Thanks to the Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation, generous gifts from supporters, and two special young members' lemonade and cookie sales, the playground was replaced with new equipment that our members enjoy.



## IN MEMORY

**Phillip Bond Sartain**  
(Feb. 19, 1958 - Dec. 28, 2020)

Phillip B. Sartain dedicated much of his life to give others hope for a better future. He spent decades volunteering his time and talents to many charitable organizations, including Boys & Girls Clubs of Lanier. From Club member to Board President, Sartain always did Whatever It Takes to build great futures for youth.

## HOLIDAY GOLF CLASSIC

The 22nd Annual Holiday Golf Classic raised a record **\$59,106** thanks to BGCL Advisory Board member, **Alex Laidlaw**, and his fundraising team.

## BE GREAT GALA

Presented by Northeast Georgia Health System

For the health and safety of all involved, we moved the 2020 Be Great Gala to an online platform. Attendees enjoyed hearing an inspiring message from 3X All-American athlete, Herschel Walker, along with 2020 BGCL Youth of the Year, Jonlyn Forest's story of how BGCL's caring staff and high-quality programming can help our youth navigate their journey to becoming responsible, caring, productive citizens.



## RUBBER DUCK DERBY

Presented by Northeast Georgia Health System

The 22nd Annual Rubber Duck Derby was held virtually on May 16, raising a record **\$181,567** for the Clubs.

Each duck adopted helps to provide thousands of kids with a safe, positive and engaging environment and programs that prepare them to succeed in school and in life. Plus, the first ducks to cross the finish line win great prizes for their adoptive parents.



## 2020 At-A-Glance



**167** employees served  
**1,657** youth across  
**15** Club sites

**500+** youth safely attended the Clubs every day

**68 tutors** provided  
**17,000+** hours of tutoring

**13 weeks**

of Club from Home packets distributed

**63,000+** meals and snacks served

**42**

youth connected virtually with a mentor



## Academic Success

### CLUB FROM HOME AND CLUB ACADEMY

When the COVID-19 pandemic shut down schools and Clubs, the BGCL team worked tirelessly to develop Club From Home, a free virtual program available to all. Club staff created a library of 96 unique videos and activity packets to keep kids engaged while the Clubs were closed.

The Clubs were able to reopen our doors while schools remained virtual. During the summer and periods of remote learning, Club Academy gave over 100 youth a safe, supervised place to go with the technological resources they needed to support remote learning and help them succeed in school.

## Good Character and Citizenship

### MENTORING

Club mentors remained committed to connecting with at-risk youth throughout the pandemic. Virtual meetings allowed mentees to have a voice during a time when they were socially disconnected from others. Youth had access to caring adults to help them process their emotions, address challenges, and make good choices to stay on the path to a brighter future.

## Healthy Lifestyles

### MOUNTAIN BIKING

With funding from the Schejola Foundation, the Clubs added mountain biking to our list of physical activities available to Club members in 2020. A pump track and perimeter trail were built at the Positive Place Club in the in the spring. Fortunately, the program was able to begin in the fall. Members learned that riding a bike is a healthy, fun, and low-impact form of exercise.