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3 New Clubs Opening Doors

Grand opening celebration marks new opportunities for Glendale's youth

Three new Clubhouses join the BGCMP family, which currently brings hope and a brighter future to more than 32,250 Valley youth. The new Clubs will introduce hundreds of new members to the opportunities offered at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix!

At the *Swift Kids Club* hundreds of kids, with bright smiles and squeals of excitement, proudly showed off their new Club as they celebrated the official grand opening of the branch, located in the City of Glendale. The celebration was held on October 20, and was attended by family, friends, community leaders, and even the Phoenix Coyotes mascot, Howler!

Our Clubs impact the lives of youth and teens each and every day. By providing a safe, positive environment, quality programs and nurturing, dedicated staff, our Clubs offer a future full of possibilities and a pathway to accomplishment and self-worth. Our programs and services not only impact the youth we serve, but their families as well, who appreciate the safe and nurturing environment the Clubs provide.

The *Swift Kids Club* is the first of three new Branches that the BGCMP is opening this year.

"We are so proud to bring three new Clubs to the youth of the Glendale and



TEENS ENJOY THE NEW VIRGINIA G. PIPER TEEN CENTER CARLOS SAMANO/BGCMP

Phoenix communities," said Amy Gibbons, President and Executive Director of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix. "Now more than ever, it is so important that we are able to provide even more youth with the chance to succeed and to reach for their dreams."

The *Ed Robson Family Branch* grand opening is scheduled for December 3 in the Palomino area of Phoenix. *The Jerry Colangelo Branch*, located in the area of 35th Avenue and McDowell Road in Phoenix, is scheduled to be completed early in January 2009.

"Our promise to youth is to provide a safe, positive place, and to have a significant impact on their lives, says Jeff Goulder, Chairman for the Board of Directors. Positive youth engagement has never been more critical – and our programs are proven to work. Fifty-seven percent of the Club alumni said the Club *saved their life*."

Thank you to our donors, volunteers and family members for your commitment to help us keep our promise to our community's youth.

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Letter from Leadership

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The importance of the Clubs to our community a growing need and slowing economy pose new challenges

This year has been a time of celebration for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix with the opening of the Swift Kids Branch in Glendale and Ed Robson Family Branch in north Phoenix. Final preparations are also taking place for the Jerry Colangelo Branch, which will open its doors in central Phoenix this February.

Amidst this growth, our existing 10 Clubs, dental clinic and outreach services continued providing a safe haven for more than 32,250 Valley youth. The need for these affordable and life-changing services has never been greater – kids now face dangers many of us never imagined growing up, including a rise in gang violence, the use of automatic weapons and the proliferation of deadly and addictive drugs.

The economic downturn also impacted many kids as more parents sought additional jobs in order to make ends meet, leaving youngsters at home without parental supervision. In most of our Clubs, more than half of the kids we serve live with only one parent. It's even harder for them.

While the challenges we face are great, the generosity and commitment of our employees, donors and volunteers ensures the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix stands poised to continue providing

hot, nutritious meals and caring adult role models both now and in the future.

In order to map out our strategy for the near future, our leadership and staff outlined several specific goals in a strategic plan through 2012, including:

First, planned and managed growth while continuing to impact Club members' lives. This includes establishing Teen Centers at all branches, expanding service capacity at the dental clinic and considering future expansion when resources allow.

Second, building a stronger overall organization by identifying increased and diversified revenue streams and emphasizing employee and volunteer job satisfaction.

Third, expanding our influence by way of greater engagement by staff and volunteers in local professional, civic and community associations; as well as increased influence, civic engagement and community involvement through the Clubs' Keystone and Torch Clubs.

Fourth, build even greater public trust by ensuring that safety continues to be at the forefront of all our Clubs and through recognition of Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix as a trusted and ethical non-profit, maintaining the highest stan-



AMY GIBBONS AND JEFF GOULDER WITH CLUB MEMBERS

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dards of integrity, stewardship and accountability.

The generosity of our donors and the leadership provided by the volunteer members of our Board of Directors, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix Foundation, Executive Council and Branch Development Board, friends and family members like you ensure that the Clubs can continue providing critical services to Valley youth – both now

and into the future! Thank you!

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Valley Youth Overcomes Tooth Decay

The Club's dental clinic changed the life of Yaretzi Fregoso

Smiles now come easily for 14-year-old Yaretzi Fregoso, and she doesn't think twice when biting on a crunchy apple!

This was not always the case due to eight misery-causing cavities riddling Yaretzi's molars.

Luckily, Yaretzi's mother learned about the Dave Pratt Dental Clinic – a program providing low-or-no-cost dental care to economically disadvantaged children not qualifying for dental insurance.

After 10 visits to the Clinic, Yaretzi's molars were fixed and she was finally pain free!

“My molars would sometimes hurt for a couple of hours at a time,” Yaretzi explained.

One of the ways the Clinic helped both Yaretzi and her sister was to



YARETZI FEELS CONFIDENT ABOUT HER NEW SMILE WITH HELP FROM DR. GISE

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teach them proper oral hygiene.

“They taught me the right way to brush my teeth,” she said. “I thought I knew how, but they showed me the best way to do it.”

Yaretzi will be returning to the Dave Pratt Dental Clinic this year for her next regular check up – the next step in a lifelong commitment to oral healthcare!

Health Programs

These initiatives help youth achieve healthy lifestyles

CAVITY-FREE ZONE

aims to improve the oral health of Club members through oral health education. Developed in response to the silent epidemic of oral disease, especially among disadvantaged youth.



HEALTHY HABITS

incorporates healthy living and active learning in every part of the Club experience, emphasizing good nutrition, regular physical activity and improving overall well-being.



NETSMARTZ

teaches Internet safety skills such as personal safety, shopping safety, and ethical use of the Internet, through engaging multimedia activities and offline interaction in age-appropriate modules.



SMART MOVES

(Skills Mastery and Resistance Training) prevention-education program addresses problems such as drug and alcohol use and premature sexual activity through a team approach involving Club staff, peer leaders, parents and community representatives.



SMART GIRLS

designed to encourage healthy attitudes and lifestyles that will enable girls to develop to their full potential.



PASSPORT TO MANHOOD

promotes and teaches responsibility while reinforcing positive behavior in male Club members through small-group sessions concentrating on specific aspects of manhood.



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Club Kid Discovers That Being A Bookworm Isn't A Bad Thing

Homework assistance program helped transform student grades from D's to A's

One quick conversation is all it takes to realize Sergio Jimenez is no ordinary 9-year-old. The young man possesses a confidence, vocabulary and poise that would make him the envy of many teenagers.

A transformation has taken place during Sergio's time at the Woodrow C. Scoutten/Tolleson Branch, according to Education Coordinator Tim Boyer. Through reading and vocabulary drills and spending time on a variety of educational websites, Tim has helped Sergio's grades change from "D's" to "A's" while his love for reading has blossomed.

A smile lit up Sergio's face as he explained, "When I got into the library

with Tim, it was like I found a whole new me!"

Tim added: "During the time I've been here, Sergio's reading ability has gone up at least two grade levels. Now he's not afraid to get up

and read to other kids. His confidence level has just soared."

When Sergio isn't using the library himself, he

The 2008 After School Excellence Award from the Arizona Center for Afterschool Excellence was awarded to Angela DiCiccio, Education Coordinator from the Harry & Sandy Rosenzweig Branch.



SERGIO ENJOYS READING AT THE CLUB

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often helps out the staff by shelving books and assisting younger club members on the computers.

Perhaps other educational "transformations" will occur because of him!



Helping Youth Create Aspirations for the Future

Programs that provide opportunities for career exploration and educational enhancement

CAREER LAUNCH

is a career exploration and mentoring program for teens that explores career options, identifies training or college requirements, seeks out financial aid and more.



MONEY MATTERS: MAKE IT COUNT

created with the Charles Schwab Foundation, this financial literacy program was designed to help teens expand their knowledge of money management.



GOALS FOR GRADUATION

introduces members to the concept of academic goal setting by creating achievable "Know-I-Can" goals, more challenging "Think-I-Can" goals and yearly "Believe-I-Can" goals, and creating achievement action plans.



POWER HOUR: MAKING MINUTES COUNT

this comprehensive homework help and tutoring program is designed to raise the academic proficiency of Club members.



JUNIOR STAFF

is a program that assists Club members in exploring a career in youth or human services, particularly Boys & Girls Club work.



INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

helps immerse youth in a variety of cultures, exposing them to diversity, tradition, and developing cultural sensitivity.



PIZZA WITH THE PROS

a new spin on the classic "career day" with kids sharing pizza and hearing about career options from leaders in various professions.



READ TO ACHIEVE

year-round campaign that encourages young people to develop a life-long love for reading.





Discovering A New Canvas at the Club



Club member honed skills at the club and has found new voice in arts

As schools across the country cut down their funding for art related programs, kids are often left without a vehicle to discover and appreciate the arts. Those same budget cuts have made the Arts programs at the Club more and more important to kids like 13-year-old Grace Baez.

When Grace first joined the Harry & Sandy Rosenzweig Branch five years ago all she knew about

art she had learned from playing with her crayons at home. But one thing was clear, she knew this was something that made her happy.

In the Club's Art room, Grace found a place where she was free to create...to experiment... to find her voice in ways she never had before. She discovered that there was a structure and a process within the Arts. She participated in ArtWeb workshops where she received mentoring by a professional artist and she was able to immerse herself in the Arts daily.

The Art program has helped shape Grace's natural talents. She has won several awards for her work and one of her pieces is even featured in the National Arbor Day calendar! And, thanks to an opportunity at the Club, Grace has been nominated for a prestigious national scholarship to pursue her aspirations as a professional artist through fashion design.

GRACE FOUND A NEW PASSION IN ARTS AT THE CLUB

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For the last ten years BGCMP Club members have been representing the state of Arizona in the **Pathway of Peace**. Kids decorate tree ornaments to be hung around the National Christmas Tree in Washington D.C.

Having found her voice, Grace credits the hope, generosity, and security that the Club provides as her main source of inspiration.

Arts Programs

Programs help develop multicultural appreciation, and skills in crafts and visual, performing and literary arts.

DIGITAL ARTS SUITE AND FESTIVALS

teaches members how to create computer-generated art through programs such as Web Tech, Design Tech, Photo Tech, Music Tech and Movie Tech.



DRAMA MATTERS

encourages young people to develop a life-long love for the performing arts.



IMAGEMAKERS: NATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY PROGRAM

encourages youth to learn and practice photography, expressing themselves in creative and innovative ways. ImageMakers provides local, regional and national recognition through an annual photography contest.



MUSIC MAKERS

encourages Club members to have fun exploring music and learning to play drums and guitar.



NATIONAL FINE ARTS EXHIBIT

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Club Member Finds Wonderland at Club

Jasmen Gilmore develops into community leader thanks to opportunities at the Club

Jasmen Gilmore's life is a tremendous example of caring and community service – two traits the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix seeks to pass on to every member. A 'Club Kid' for more than 13 years, Jasmen has spent countless hours organizing community events while becoming a leader at the Jerry & Helen Wisotsky/Peoria Branch.

ple full-time jobs to keep the family afloat. In her mom's absence, Jasmen says the Club has provided a wealth of guidance and opportunities including new clothes for school, the chance to attend Summer Camp and opportunities to travel, through the Keystone Club.

"The Club is basically my wonderland; I truly treasure it," she says.

Jasmen's amazing level of commitment includes more than 240 hours of community service in 2007-08 alone. As president of the Peoria Keystone Club, a small group leadership development program for Club teens, she helped organize everything from Thanksgiving dinners for needy families to "Tweens" – a program helping younger Club members transition into their teens.

Jasmen's giving heart shines through despite challenging obstacles. Jasmen's mother has consistently worked multi-

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix receives the **Outstanding Agency Award** in 2008 from Valley of the Sun United Way.



JASMEN WORKS WITH OTHER TEENS TO IMPROVE THEIR COMMUNITIES CARLOS SAMANO/BGCMP

Developing Tomorrow's Leaders

Programs help youth become responsible, productive, and caring citizens

KEYSTONE CLUBS

are chartered small group leadership development clubs for young people ages 14 to 18. Keystoneers elect officers, choose their own activities, plan and implement community service projects as well as participate in regional and national Keystone conferences.



TORCH CLUB

is a small-group leadership development program targeted to youth ages 11 to 13. Members elect officers and plan and implement their own activities and community service projects.



YOUTH OF THE YEAR

is designed to recognize service to Club and community, academic performance and contributions to family and spiritual life.



FSN ARIZONA CHARACTER COUNTS KID OF THE MONTH

recognizes the character and leadership of members. Each month a Club member is chosen based on achievements, teamwork, service to the Club and others, and overall good character. The selected youth is recognized on air during one of FSN Arizona's post-game shows.




THE HERITAGE CLUB

is an association of friends of the Boys & Girls Clubs from all across the country, helping to ensure that the future needs of our youth are met by including the Clubs in their estate plan. This planning includes:

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Sports Are More Than Just Fun and Games

Club member gains self-esteem and leadership skills through sports

It's easy to find Ernesto Palomo at the Harry & Sandy Rosenzweig Branch. Just follow the bouncing ball. Baseball, basketball, rugby, indoor soccer... If there is a sport being played, it's a good bet Ernesto will be playing it!

Another good bet – he won't be alone. Ernesto personifies the phrase "Actions speak louder than words." While he's extremely quiet, fellow Club members flock to him for leadership during any type of athletic competition.

"I think I give other kids confidence," Ernesto said. Bobby Pacheco, the Health & PE Coordinator at the Rosenzweig Branch, added Ernesto's "...fight to the end spirit is infectious."

"Ernesto has the great ability to make others around him better," Pacheco said.

Ernesto's pursuit of excellence isn't limited to the gym. A good student and avid reader, he spends considerable time inside the Branch library.

It's clear how important the Club is to Ernesto. The mentoring he receives from Pacheco, the enjoyment he receives from Club sports and the educational support he is receiving are all helping Ernesto reach his full potential.



ERNESTO AT THE CLUB

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Healthy Kids Live Healthy Lives

Programs help develop fitness, social and interpersonal skills, and reduction of stress

TRIPLE PLAY: A GAME PLAN FOR THE MIND, BODY AND SOUL

is a dynamic wellness program that demonstrates how eating right, keeping fit, and forming positive relationships add up to a healthy lifestyle. The program increases the number of hours youth participate in physical activities and strengthens their ability to interact positively with others.



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recognizes members for demonstrating Sportsmanship, Team Spirit, Achievement and Responsibility in recreation programming. One outstanding youth who best embodies these characteristics is honored and becomes eligible for national MLB® S.T.A.R. Award competitions.



FSN ARIZONA BASKETBALL LEAGUE

through a partnership with FSN Arizona, this program allows kids to participate in non-competitive, co-ed basketball leagues regardless of their skill level.



REVIVING BASEBALL IN INNER CITIES (RBI)

in collaboration with Major League Baseball this program has established a number of baseball leagues at the Clubs and incorporates a condensed version SMART Moves prevention/education program designed to teach players to avoid alcohol and other drug use and premature sexual involvement through participation in baseball.



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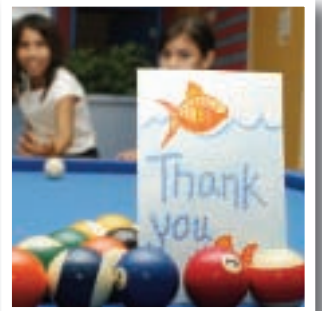
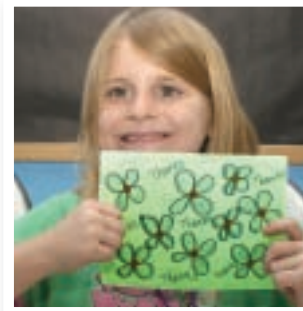
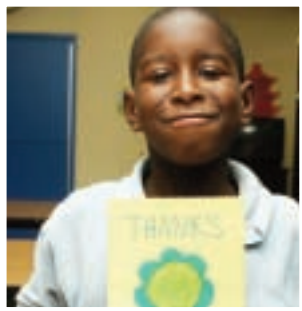
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Thank you.

Operating Budget:
\$9,514,933
32,250 Youth Served

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metropolitan Phoenix Statement of Activities 2007-08 Fiscal Year *unaudited financials*

Membership

Breakdown:

Gender

57% Male

43% Female

Ages

8% Age 5 and 6

66% Age 7-13

22% Age 14-17

4% Age 18

Ethnicity

42% Hispanic

25% African American

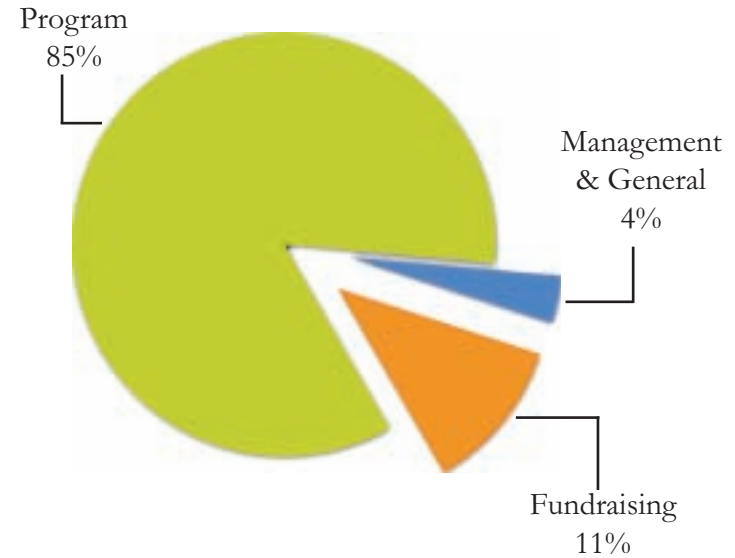
20% Caucasian

13% Other

Total Revenues

United Way	10%
Dues & Program Service Fees	10%
Investment Income	-3%
Government Fees & Grants	14%
Donated Materials & Services	10%
Change in Foundation net assets	-11%
Special Events	25%
Contributions	45%
Total	100%

Total Expenses



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