BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF THE SIOUX EMPIRE



2025
ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT



A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

2025 was a transformational year for the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire, one defined not only by growth, but by meaningful impact across the Sioux Empire.



This past year marked the grand opening of Sioux Falls' first out-of-school time facility at George McGovern Middle School, showcasing our commitment to innovation and community partnerships. We also expanded kindergarten through fifth grade enrollment with new program sites and improved programming quality.

Throughout this period of growth, one truth remained clear: **the Sioux Empire needs Club kids and Club kids need a community that shows up for them.** Today's young people are navigating increasingly complex challenges, and families are seeking safe, supportive, and enriching environments for their children. In response, we have continued to expand access to high-quality care, welcoming additional elementary school partners and ensuring more children have the opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive beyond the school day. Our growth is intentional, it reflects both rising community need and our commitment to meeting it with care, consistency, and excellence.

Central to this impact is our dedicated staff. Their expertise, compassion, and unwavering commitment create the foundation for everything we do. Each day, they provide not only care, but mentorship, stability, and encouragement helping young people build confidence, develop skills, and realize their potential. Their work is both demanding and deeply meaningful, and we are profoundly grateful for the role they play in shaping the future of our community.

As we look ahead, we remain focused on deepening our impact, expanding access, and continuing to respond to the evolving needs of the Sioux Empire. Together, we are building a stronger foundation for the next generation. Thank you for your continued support and for believing in the potential of every child we serve.

With gratitude,

Stacy E. Jones

> **"This progress would not be possible without you. Your support through financial contributions, in-kind gifts, and ongoing partnership makes this work achievable and sustainable. You are an essential part of the impact reflected in this report."**

— Stacy Jones
CEO
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire



2,900+

Youth served annually from 4 weeks to age 18.

Locations:

Early Learning Academy:

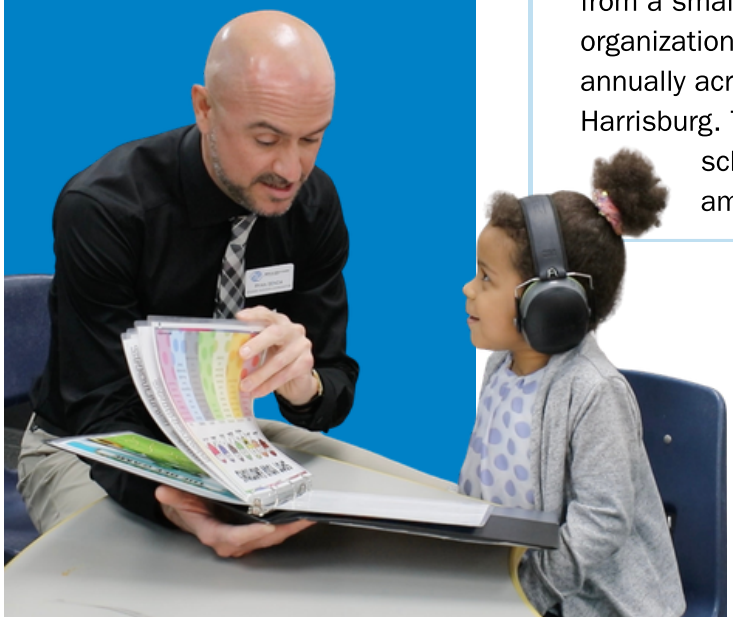
- 57th St. Learning Center
- Empower Campus Learning Center

Kindergarten - 5th Grade (K-5):

- Anne Sullivan
- Rosa Parks
- Eugene Field
- Susan B. Anthony
- Laura B. Anderson
- Harvey Dunn
- Marcella LeBeau
- Cleveland
- John Harris
- Brandon
- Robert Bennis
- BV Intermediate
- Fred Assam
- Inspiration
- Journey
- Explorer
- Adventure

Teens:

- George McGovern Middle School
- Ben Reifel Middle School
- Empower Campus





GREAT FUTURES START HERE IN THE SIOUX EMPIRE

For nearly 70 years, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire (BGCSE) has supported children and families by adapting to the ever-changing needs of our communities. Serving Sioux Falls, Brandon, and Harrisburg, we provide programs for children from as young as 4 weeks through age 18.

Every child deserves a safe, supportive place to grow, learn, and thrive. At Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire, we're building stronger futures here—one child at a time.

MISSION

The mission of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire is to nurture, educate, and enrich children and youth for lifelong success.

ROOTED IN COMMUNITY. GROWING FUTURES.

Founded in 1957, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire has grown from a small community program to one of the largest youth-serving organizations in the region. Today, we serve over 2,900 youth annually across 21 chartered sites in Sioux Falls, Brandon, and Harrisburg. Through strong community partnerships with local school districts and government entities, we are able to amplify both our impact and reach.

"BGCSE staff have been instrumental in my daughter's success. They listened, adjusted, and made sure my daughter felt safe and cared for. They truly see her — and that has made all the difference."

- Club Parent of Enrolled Youth

MEETING A COMMUNITIY NEED -
HOW THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB CAME TO BE

In 2010, a desire to address a service gap for youth led to the decision to become a chartered member of The Boys & Girls Clubs of America organization. The addition of an affordable drop-in program, combined with exceptional early childhood and out-of-school time care, created a unique entity in Sioux Falls serving children from 4 weeks of age to 18 years.

The Clubs provide developmentally appropriate programs for children of all ages that enable each child to grow and learn at their own pace. Children and youth are given the opportunity for individual development and exploration through an environment that is creative, stimulating, and nurturing. The Boys & Girls Clubs work to prepare children for the future seamlessly allowing them to move through the organization's programming from infancy to high school graduation.



21 SITES!

PROGRAMS PROVIDED AT



Early Learning Academy
(4 Weeks - PreK)

Our Early Learning Academy prepares children for a confident and successful transition to kindergarten, starting from 4 weeks old through Pre-K. We focus on nurturing the whole child with intentional, play-based learning aligned with the Creative Curriculum™ and South Dakota Early Learning Guidelines.



Kindergarden - 5th Grade

Our K–5 Program offers more than childcare — it's a safe, nurturing, and inspiring space where kids grow emotionally, academically, physically, and socially. Our caring, trained staff guide each child through structured, STEAM activities that build curiosity, confidence, and a lifelong love of learning.



Teens

Our Teen Program provides an environment where middle and high school youth can discover their passions, develop essential life skills, and prepare for their futures. Through hands-on learning, mentorship, career development opportunities, and meaningful partnerships, teens gain confidence and a sense of belonging that empowers them to thrive inside and outside of school.



The Club
at George McGovern Middle School

In a groundbreaking collaboration, BGCSE and the Sioux Falls School District built Sioux Falls' first out-of-school time Club at George McGovern Middle School. McGovern was chosen due to the unique needs of the students and families. With around **70% of McGovern students qualifying for free or reduced lunch,** compared to 47% within the Sioux Falls School District, many families struggle to afford extracurricular activities.

Our Clubs At-A-Glance

2,900+
Youth Served Across The Sioux Empire in 2025

K-5 Enrollment **1,676**

Teen Enrollment **801**

Early Learning Academy Enrollment **467**

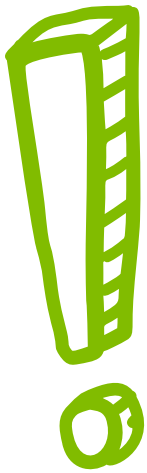
Sites Total **21**

K-5 Sites **16**

Teen Sites **3**

Communities Served **3**

Early Learning Academies **2**



Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire is one of the region's largest out-of-school-time providers.

We are proud to have a vibrant and diverse Club that welcomes individuals from all races and ethnicities. Our programs cater to youth as young as 4 weeks old, extending up to age 18.

In 2025, the Club provided vital nutrition support, serving:

173,399 Meals
312,370 Snacks

ENROLLED YOUTH DEMOGRAPHICS

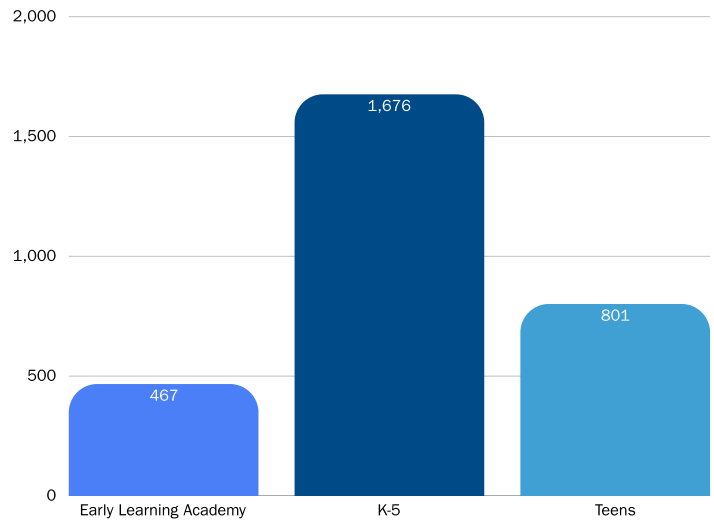
Our Club reflects the rich diversity of the Sioux Empire, with **nearly 40% of our members identifying as people of color.**

Furthermore, our programs encompass a wide range of socioeconomic backgrounds, including participants from single-parent and low-to-moderate income households, as well as more affluent families. We value this diversity, as it enriches the perspectives of our attendees and mirrors the communities we serve.

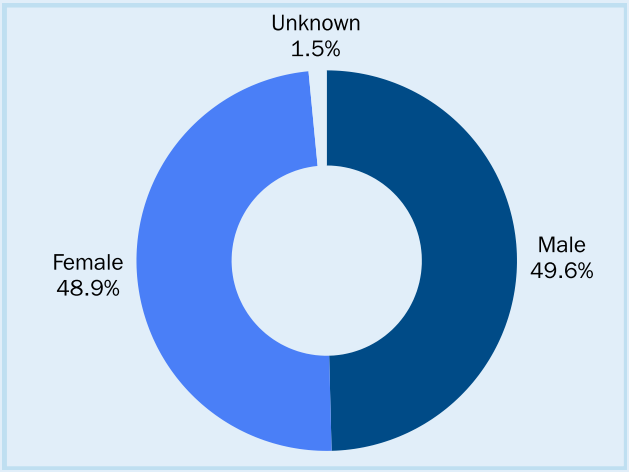
Our K-5 program boasts the highest enrollment, and we take pride in being the region's largest provider of childcare and out-of-school time programs while also catering to such a broad age range. In fact, many young people begin their journey with us as infants and continue to engage with our organization for many years.



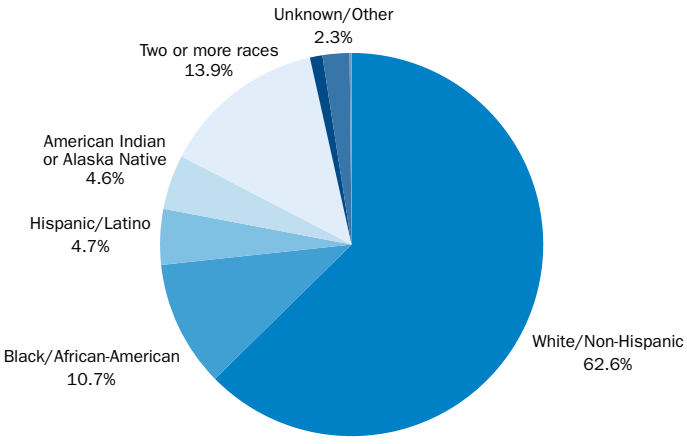
PROGRAM ENROLLMENT



GENDER



RACE/ETHNICITY OF ENROLLED



22%

of youth served are at or below the federal income poverty guidelines.

EARLY LEARNING ACADEMY (ELA)

The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire is unique in that we are one of only a handful of Clubs across the country that enroll youth as young as 4-weeks old. We take pride in helping educate and enrich the minds of our little learners.

The ELA program is focused on four core developmental areas:

- Social-emotional development
- Physical development
- Cognitive development
- Language and literacy development

Participation in the program has proven to be successful with the following strong outcomes reported:

- **89%** of youth achieve proficiency in social-emotional skills
- **97%** achieve proficiency in physical development
- **95%** achieve proficiency in cognitive skills
- **90%** achieve proficiency in language and literacy

Childcare Scholarship Impact

With the help of generous support from the Sioux Empire United Way, we offer scholarships to families to help make our childcare services affordable.

In 2025, we assisted 81 families and 96 youth.

"As a single mom it's tough. Tough to find help, support, and honestly enough money to help cover the day to day. Having a scholarship has helped my family by relieving some of that pressure. I have support here with my daycare bill, which means I have enough for my family's other needs."

- ELA Parent on the impact of scholarships

Childcare Scholarship Totals

2023	2024	2025
$227,977.60	$176,685.84	$243,916.59



Parent Testimonial

"What stood out to me most was the Boys & Girls Club's mission: 'Our mission is to nurture, educate, and enrich children and youth for lifelong success.' I knew what my children learned here would help them in the future. I've been impressed by the classroom schedules, planned activities, and amazing staff, who are always open-minded, communicative, and supportive. The Boys & Girls Club provides age-appropriate learning, play, and social activities in a safe, structured environment where my children learn, grow, and have fun."

- Olivia
Early Learning Academy Parent

KINDERGARTEN - 5TH GRADE (K-5)



Great Futures Start Here: K-5 Staff Testimonial

Our Student Success Team is a behavioral management team at the Clubs, similar to behavior specialists in public schools. The team works to help give our staff and teachers the tools to intervene when a child is having a behavior issue and to work with youth in a tiered behavioral intervention system. They recently worked with a K-5 student and shared the below testimonial.

"Mary was transferred to one of our Sioux Falls K-5 site locations and found the transition to a new school and program challenging at first. For a month, she slowly made new friends and began to open up about her interests. She then began participating in activities, and even her mother has noticed that our program has helped her daughter's attitude improve."

- Club Staff Member

K–5 programming includes activities and experiences across key areas such as:

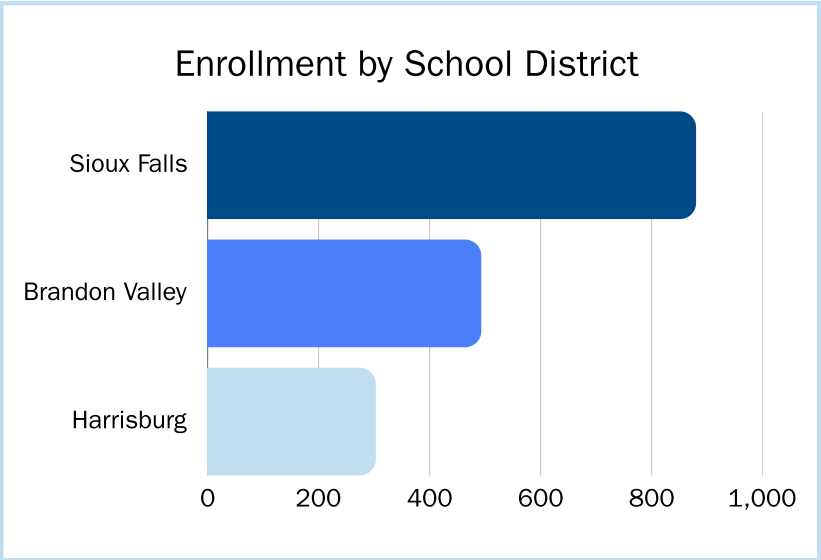
- Arts and creative expression
- STEM exploration and hands-on learning
- Health and wellness
- Sports and recreation
- Social-emotional learning and behavior support
- Homework help and academic enrichment
- Before-, after-,school-break, and summer programming

The program is strengthened by community partnerships that bring additional opportunities in literacy, engineering, nutrition, environmental education, leadership, recreation, and cultural engagement. Support is also reinforced by the Student Success Team, which helps staff and youth through social-emotional supports and community-based partnerships. We also provide summer enrichment programming annually.

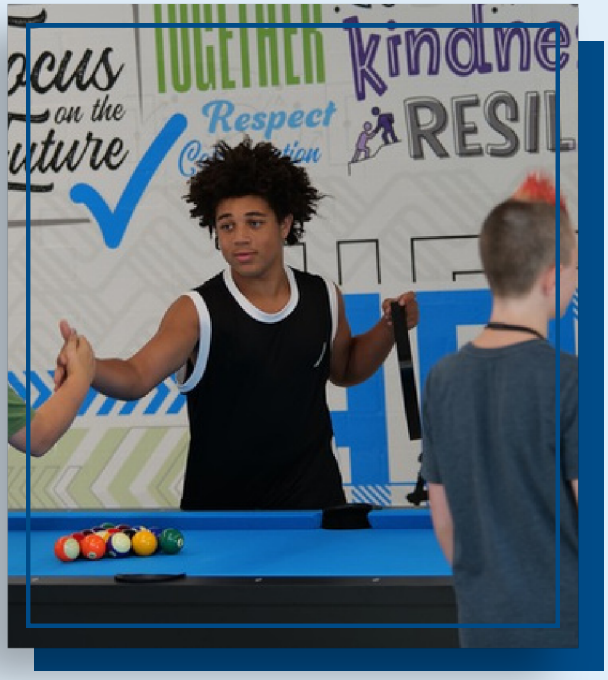
Our K-5 enrollment continues to grow. We provide out-of-school time care at Marcella LeBeau Elementary School, the newest elementary school in Sioux Falls. LeBeau is located adjacent to the McGovern Club, helping create a pipeline of Club members into the future.

The Need in Our Community

1-in-2 kids lack access to afterschool programs. They risk being unsupervised, unguided and unsafe. Boys & Girls Clubs get kids ***Future Ready***.



TEEN PROGRAM



Member Spotlight: Liam and Alice

Liam and Alice are two members who have benefitted from attending the teen program at the Boys & Girls Club at George McGovern Middle School that was opened just this school year.

The Club prides itself on being a place where teens can become. Liam describes the Club as a place that feels comfortable - almost like home and says that the teachers feel like parents and his fellow students feel like siblings.

Alice found a love for ping-pong and you can find him at the ping-pong table every day. He also credits the Club with helping him make a number of new friends.



"It feels very comforting knowing that I can come here and tell people stuff without them saying 'That's not my problem."

- Liam
McGovern Club Youth

Our Teen Porgram offers both middle and high school students unique experiences and programs centered on STEM, culinary, healthy lifestyles, tutoring, athletic camps, community partnerships, volunteering, workforce development, mentorships, homework help, and so much more.

Teen programming includes experiences in:

- Arts and creative expression
- STEM and career-connected learning
- Financial literacy and workforce exposure
- Health and wellness
- Leadership and service
- Sports, recreation, and community engagement

Teen programming is also offered during the summer months, Monday-Friday from 8 am through 7 pm.

Partnerships

Our Teen Program thrives through partnerships that expand learning, leadership, wellness, and real-world experiences for youth. Education, STEM, and Career Exploration Partners such as Citi Bank, the Home Builders Association, SDSU Extension, Sanford Aspire, and other local professionals help youth explore financial literacy, construction, health care, science, and workforce pathways. Health, Wellness, and Culinary Partners such as SDSU, local chefs, and wellness-focused organizations help youth build healthy habits, culinary skills, and confidence in the kitchen. Character, Leadership, and Service through partnerships with organizations such as Axis 180, Summit Oaks, DakotAbilities, Sunny Crest Village, law enforcement partners, and community mentors, youth participate in service, leadership, and volunteer experiences that strengthen connection and purpose. Sports, Recreation, and Culture Partners such as GreatLIFE, First Tee, InSports, SD Game, Fish & Parks, SFPD, and Groove Drumline help youth access sports, outdoor education, cultural engagement, recreation, and mentorship opportunities.

Impact

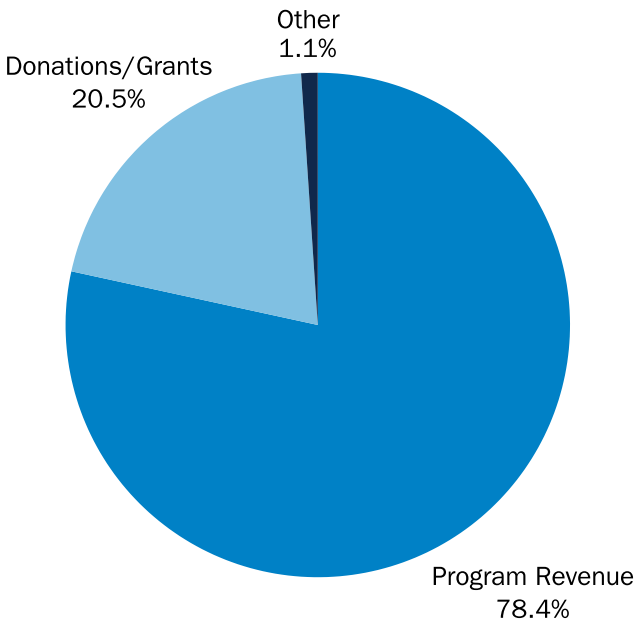
The Clubs and our staff's positive influence on them is incredible. According to our annual survey results:

- **96%** of Club members said they expect to graduate from high school.
- **88%** of members said the adults at this Club care about me
- **87%** of Club members said, "When I grow up, I can have any job I want to have."

SOURCES OF OUR FUNDING

Our organization has experienced steady financial growth, with total assets, revenue, and overall financial resources continuing to increase, bringing our operating budget to nearly $11 million. This growth reflects the continued strength and sustainability of our organization, as well as the essential role philanthropic support plays in expanding our impact and serving more youth throughout our community.

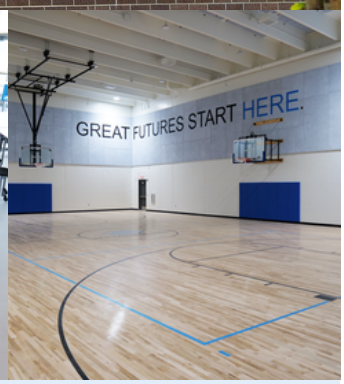
2025 Financials











Financial Highlights:

The biggest highlight of 2025 was the opening of the 16,000-plus square foot Boys & Girls Club at George McGovern Middle School. With over 500 teens enrolled, it's proven to be incredibly successful. Our resource & development team was able to work with our incredible donors, supporters, and community partners to help raise over $7.5 million to help in the construction and opening of Sioux Falls' first out-of-school time club attached to George McGovern Middle School.

Top Grant Awards for organization in 2025:

- **$107,921** FEMA for Empower Campus Updates
- **$100,000** Boys & Girls Clubs of America Childcare Grant
- **$50,000** MidAmerican Energy Foundation STEM Lab at McGovern Club
- **$46,000** Border Foods/Taco Bell for Teen Program Workforce Development
- **$25,000** Sioux Falls Community Foundation McGovern Teen Club

- *Funds raised for the McGovern capital project are excluded from the fundraising totals shown in this graph.*

YOUTH OF THE YEAR (YOY)

Youth of the Year

Founded in 1947, the Youth of the Year program, facilitated by the Boys & Girls Clubs of America, is a comprehensive leadership initiative. Each year, one remarkable youth, aged 14 or older, is honored with this prestigious title. This youth then participates in the annual state Youth of the Year event in Pierre, where they refine their oral communication skills by delivering a speech. As a highlight, they have the chance to meet and take a photograph with the Governor.

This innovative program also opens doors to scholarship opportunities for further education after graduation. Moreover, it cultivates essential leadership skills in areas such as communication, goal-setting, and teamwork, ensuring that participants are well-prepared to embark on their future endeavors.

Youth of the Year Celebration

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire Youth of the Year, Miguel, with Senior Director of Teen Operations Erika Kruggel and Senior Director of Operations Lane Peterson at the state YOY competition in Pierre, South Dakota.





Member Spotlight: Miguel

Miguel, our Youth of the Year for the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire, truly embodies the values associated with this prestigious title. Having been a member of the Clubs since he was just one year old, we have had the privilege of witnessing his growth. Miguel values the Clubs for the friendships he has formed, including a particularly special friend who has inspired him to persevere, regardless of the challenges he faces. Additionally, he has built strong relationships with the staff, who have listened to him, assisted with his homework, and helped him master subjects like math while also providing mentorship.

"My call to action is simple: believe and listen to young people, because when they feel seen and understood, they become the people they're meant to be."

- Miguel
Sioux Empire Youth of the Year

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Serving as a board volunteer for the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Sioux Empire (BGCSE) is an honor and responsibility. You need to have a passion for our mission, influence in the community and the means to personally support our organization. Calling upon their distinct skills and networks, board volunteers come together to help the BGCSE build on existing successes and lay a foundation for greater impact on location children and youth.







GREAT FUTURES START HERE.

Partner with us in changing futures -

We'd love to meet with you, schedule a Club tour, and share more about how your investment can directly impact youth across the Sioux Empire.

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