OUR MISSION

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

THE CLUB EXPERIENCE

Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach fills 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.

We believe that every child deserves a great future.

The cost to the Club to provide these nationally recognized programs, is $650 per child each year. An annual Club membership costs only $15, making it affordable for every family.

JOY WALLACE, 2019 YOUTH OF THE YEAR WINNER

Joy Wallace is an 11th grader who is attending Cabrillo High School during the day and then crosses the street to attend our Westside Center after school. When she first came to the Club, she described herself as being a “very confused teen,” as she moved from state to state throughout her childhood and spent many years of her early life without a home.

“To imagine my life without The Boys and Girls Club, it would probably be bleak. I would still be a girl stuck on the fact that her father didn’t want to be the father figure in her life. A girl still untrusting of everyone around her. A girl that pushed everyone away because she was scared of getting hurt. The club has been a safe place for me; you could even go as far to say, I really love my home away from home. I know that sounds clichéd, but you don’t appreciate having a home away from home until you haven’t had a home at all.”

Joy is looking forward to graduating from high school next year and has her sights set on attending the University of Pittsburgh while double-majoring in Pre-Med and Business.

BY THE NUMBERS

We increased the number of Club members from 3,153 to 3,562 CLUB MEMBERS IN 2019

Asian American 7%
African American 38%
Hispanic or Latino 39%
White 6%
Other 10%

90% Club members qualify for free or reduced-price lunches.
47% Club members live in single-parent households.
With your generous support, Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach will create opportunities to help more kids and teens in Long Beach achieve great futures.

To make a donation or to learn about other ways you can help, contact Don Rodriguez, Chief Executive Officer of Boys & Girls Clubs of Long Beach (562) 595-5945

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