OUR MISSION

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro South is fueled by a mission “to nurture strong minds, healthy bodies, and community spirit through youth-driven, quality programming in safe and fun environments” to ensure every child has a positive place to spend their out-of-school-time hours.

OUR APPROACH

Through a combination of after-school, weekend, and summer camp programs Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro South serves boys and girls ages 4 to 18 at our Brockton and Taunton Clubhouses, Camp Riverside, and at several community-based extension sites throughout Southeastern Massachusetts. Our ultimate goal is to help young people reach their full potential and to do so we implement Boys & Girls Clubs of America’s “Formula for Impact” model to help drive three primary outcomes for our youth: Academic Success, Healthy Lifestyles, and the development of Good Character and Leadership skills. Our Clubs offer what young people need and want most - adults who respect and listen to them; safe environments where they can have fun and be themselves; and engaging programs that help set them on the path to a great future.

OUR HISTORY

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro South was formed in 2019 through the merger of the Boys & Girls Club of Brockton (founded in 1990) and the Boys & Girls Club of Taunton (founded in 1902) in order to maximize our impacts in each respective community and bridge service gaps in our region. With a shared vision, our Clubs and communities have come together to provide our members with more and even better programs.

OUR MEMBERSHIP

Each year we serve nearly 2,500 youth! Annual Club memberships cost families just $35 per child.

Ethnicity

Black (African-American, Haitian, Cape Verdean, etc.): 47%
Multiracial: 26%
Hispanic: 12%
Caucasian: 11%
Other: 4%

Gender

Male: 54%
Female: 46%

Age

4-12 year olds: 72%
13-18 year olds: 28%

Socio-Economic Status

- Our Clubs are located in areas with CDI (Community Disadvantage Index) ratings of 10 out of a maximum 10. The CDI measures risk factors that negatively impact children.
- 92% of members qualify for free or reduced lunches.
- 57% of members come from single-parent households.
- 40% live below the federal poverty level of $32,000 per year for a family of four.

Brockton Clubhouse
233 Warren Avenue
Brockton, MA 02301

Taunton Clubhouse
31 Court Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Camp Riverside
388 Harvey Street
Taunton, MA 02780
OUR VISION

Many families in our region struggle to make ends meet and face the difficult task of cutting “extras” from their budget, which too often includes after-school programs. In many cases, our members come to us having the desire to set and achieve goals but lacking the skills or support system needed to do so. Our Clubs provide a critical solution to this problem by inspiring our kids, raising expectations, and providing opportunities and support to ensure that our kids can achieve great futures regardless of their present circumstances.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro South is guided by our vision to ensure the greatest possible impact of our programs on the long-term positive trajectories of our members’ lives.

Our vision can only be realized by maintaining lifelong relationships with Club alumni to support them after high school, utilizing data to better understand and evidence the impacts of our programs, and through efforts to increase community awareness of Club resources to ensure and increase the accessibility of our programs.

OUR COMMITMENT TO YOUTH

Our Club is committed to developing our community’s youth by instilling a sense of:

**Competence** - Our members feel proud and confident when they can demonstrate new knowledge or skills acquired through participation in regularly scheduled Club programs.

**Usefulness** - Our members derive satisfaction and fulfillment knowing that they can make meaningful contributions and provide something valued by others through the completion of community service projects or by helping out around their Clubhouse.

**Belonging** - Our members learn that they are a part of something bigger than they are.

**Power and influence** - Our members know that their opinions are heard and that they have the ability to influence others.

OUR IMPACT

- **Members Served Annually:** 2,000+
- **ADA (average daily attendance at our two Clubhouses):** 350+
- **Hours of Educational Programming Offered Annually:** 1,000+
- **Healthy Meals Served to Youth Annually:** 100,000+
- **Community Service Hours Performed by Club Members:** 2,000+
- **Annual Hours Members Spend in Education Programs:** 50,000+
- **Annual Hours of Service by Community Volunteers:** 3,000+

In exchange, youth receive:

- A **healthy meal** each and every night
- **Caring mentors** who help them to develop character and leadership skills
- **Daily homework help** and tutoring
- **Daily access to quality elective programs** like our STEM Lab, creative arts, cooking classes, gardening, and team sports
- **Community service-learning opportunities**
- **College and career readiness** training, and personal finance classes
- A **safe place** to explore new things, hone their skills, and build new friendships

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