



Frequently Asked Questions

What is the mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of Indianapolis?

Boys & Girls Clubs of Indianapolis believes that every young person deserves to live a life filled with hope and opportunity. Because we care about our young people, we provide a safe, educational, and positive atmosphere where they can prosper and reach their full potential.

Who does BGCI serve?

Boys & Girls Clubs of Indianapolis serves more than 5,800 youth at 10 different sites across Indianapolis, ages 5-18 annually. 51% of member households have an income of \$25,000 or less, and 79% of our members are eligible for free and reduced lunch.

How long have the Clubs been serving youth in Indianapolis?

Since 1893! The Newsboys Home (then Boys Home and Employment Association) opened in 1893. In 1991, the board of directors voted to admit girls into membership thus becoming the Boys & Girls Clubs of Indianapolis. BGCI is currently celebrating 126 years of service to the Indianapolis community.

When are the Clubs open?

Individual Club hours vary during after school programming; however Clubs are open between the hours of 3pm-9pm. Clubs are also open during summer months and school breaks. Please view BGCIIndy.org for specific Club locations and hours.

What does it cost to be a member of the Clubs?

The Clubs keep membership fees affordable for all youth, the cost is only \$25 for a school year.

Is BGCI a United Way Agency?

What other forms of Funding does BGCI receive?

Yes, BGCI is a United Way agency. BGCI is funded by a combination of government, foundation grants, private individuals, and business donations and events.

Can I Volunteer?

Yes! We are always looking for volunteers to help with tutoring, mentoring, and spending time in the Clubs with our members. To learn more about volunteering with BGCI, email volunteer@bgcindy.org.

How are contributions used?

Donations allow us to keep our program services affordable for the families we serve. Although our membership fee is \$25 per year, on average it costs us over \$600 a year to serve one child. Donations help to fill that funding gap, which will keep our services affordable for the thousands of youth we serve annually.

Are you a certified non-profit organization?

Yes! Boys & Girls Clubs of Indianapolis is a certified 501(c)3 non-profit organization.