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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF HENDERSON COUNTY**

It is four months into a global pandemic, and so many folks are tired. Weary of news headlines, disruptions and the uncertainties of the future. But in June, Club doors re-opened to members after the statewide stay-at-home order. And then our spirits began to lift. Gap toothed smiles, coloring pages made with care slipped under office doors, conversations about how to move through life and navigate changes. We all need a little good in our lives. And that's what this booklet is, all the joy, love, and happiness that is the Boys & Girls Club of Henderson County. Stories of what you have made possible.

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Randy Hunter, presents 2020 Youth of the Year, Xzavier Jacobs with a College Aid award.



Tom Hunter, presents a check for \$30,000 to Executive Director, Julia Hockenberry, shortly after the statewide stay-at-home order was announced in NC.





D'NAJA, AGE 9

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LUNA, AGE 12



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PRISCILLA, AGE 10

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ARIANA, AGE 13

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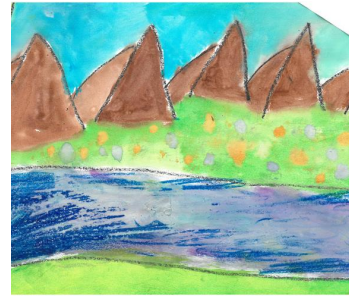


KATALINA, AGE 10

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SYDNEY, AGE 11

I was lucky enough to be accepted into the boys and girls club. And in case you are wondering what we do at the club and what it means to me here is a list of what we do!

We make friends, learn life skills, have fun, and learn how to deal with people you don't like and how we get rewarded for what we do. Also they tutor kids.

The Boys and Girls Club means to me that my mom can go to work and know that I am safe and happy. Also I have learned many of many useful life skills, and made very strong friendships and I have been here for less than 4 years. It helps me in over a million ways.

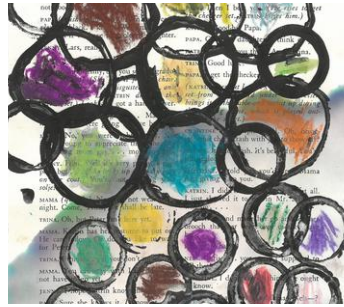
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JAMARIA, AGE 12

From Jamaria

The boys and girl club is the best because everybody around us has Fun. But the boys and girls club isn't all about Fun & making friends. we can make friends at anything like sport, art and craft, playing game, or doing homework, and lots more. That's why everybody how goes to the boys and girl club has Fun. no matter whats in your way or so hard or not we drill with it together

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MARCELLA, AGE 16, JR. STAFF

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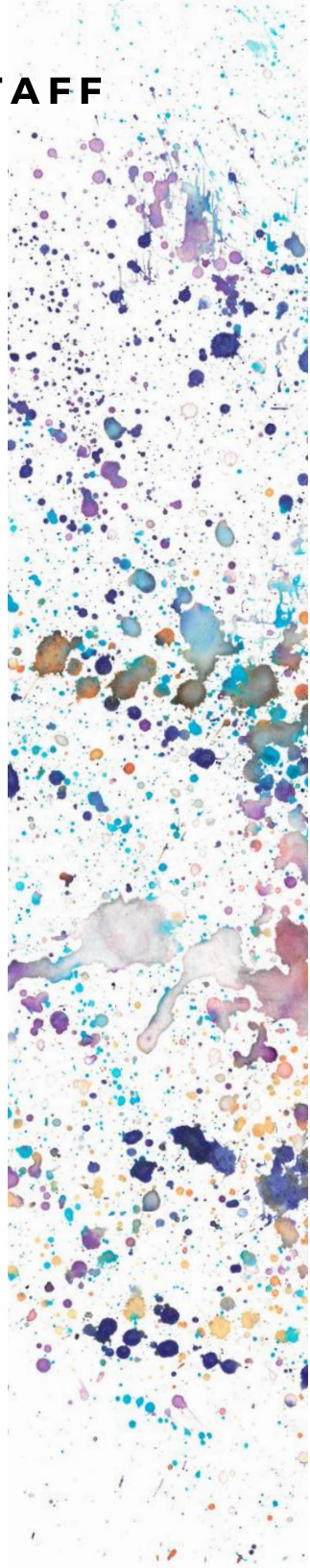
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LILLY, AGE 9

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AAMEYAH, AGE 11

I love the boys and girls club. Its fun and peaceful you can play games on a computer, have fun, watch movies and you can meet many friends. Staff P will keep you safe at all times. You get rewards. You will have a club card it will have a lot of positive choices you can make. Being here a boys and girls club is joyful. Everyone will feel ^{accepted} accepted. When you make a mistake your teacher will help you fix it. You should come!!!!

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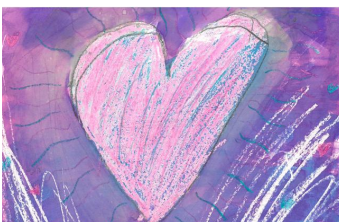
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SARAH, AGE 18

How has the Club prepared you for college/adulthood? The Club has taught me not to be afraid of the future and to embrace and take control of it instead. The Club has taught me that I am the author of my own story and that I don't have to follow in the footsteps of those before me. Some programs that have helped me to prepare for college and adulthood are Career Launch, Enterprise, Junior Staff, SMARTgirls, Keystone, and Youth of the Year. I've learned to speak up and be a leader, to pay attention to detail, to problem solve, to love myself, and choose my own path. I've learned time management, money management, responsibility and how to prioritize. All of these things will help me to be a great student in college and to be a responsible adult who gives back what she's been given.

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MARIAH, AGE 12

Boys & Girls Club

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All our stories and art were created by our Club kids. **All because OF YOU.** YOU are the promise that allows our Club members to grow and flourish. **Thank you!!**

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We can't wait to see you at our next Celebration Dinner, but for 2020, we hope these stories show you just how important you are. Thank you for continuing to support these transformation stories!



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