



COVID-19

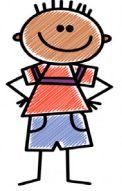
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**Whatever
It Takes for
Youth, Families
and Communities.**

April 30, 2020

Dear Supporters and Friends,

We want you to know we are closely monitoring the evolving situation with the COVID-19 crisis. Though our daily lives have been disrupted, our top priority at the **Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County** remains the same: the health and safety of the children we serve.



Keeping you informed is very important to us. We continue to do everything we can to ensure the well-being of our Club members, our staff and valued volunteers who work alongside us.

We remain in regular contact with our local, regional, and state health officials and continue to monitor regular updates. Though the situation remains fluid, our goal is to continue our mission — to serve those kids who need us most — both during the crisis and once it has eased.



What we are Doing:

Here are some of the proactive steps we are taking to continue to care for our members and our organization:

- Providing evening meals for pick up at our Club daily for kids 18 and under.
- Connecting virtually to kids with activities, helpful videos (handwashing, how to make oatmeal, etc.), and so they can stay in touch with their Club friends and staff members. You can view these on our Facebook Page and our website www.bgcdet.org
- Caring for our Club staff ensuring they have the necessary support during and after the crisis.
- Continue to identify what resources we can provide to our kids and families by staying in touch with them along with remaining aware of community resources available.
- Establishing a COVID-19 Relief Fund so we are able to continue to help our kids and their families, and prepare for our kids to safely return to our Clubs. This year, our **COVID-19 Relief Fund** will take the place of our Annual Campaign. Our goal is \$11,000.
- Beginning to plan for our Fall Bingo event to be held virtually if needed.



What Can You Do?

If you would like to support the Club's mission during this crisis, consider the following:

- Donate what you can to our **COVID-19 Relief Fund**. Please consider an extra donation at this time or perhaps sharing your stimulus check if you are able. With our goal being \$11,000, we can use your help.
- Ask your company if they would match your gift to support our **COVID-19 Relief Fund**.
- Continue to support us. Our kids — and their parents — need us throughout this crisis.
- Talk about and share the important work the Club does throughout the year and is currently doing.
- Like us on social media. Share, Click, Comment.



Thank you for your continued support and care of the **Boys & Girls Clubs of Polk County**,



Steve Davidson
Chief Executive Officer

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Advisory Committee Chair

