



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
MASSACHUSETTS ALLIANCE

Our Mission

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

2018

IMPACT REPORT



The Club Experience

Boys & Girls Clubs fill 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.



The Need in Our State

Every day 213,966 kids in Massachusetts leave school with nowhere to go.¹ They risk being unsupervised, unguided and unsafe.

Our Reach



83

Boys & Girls Club Sites
in Massachusetts



10658

Volunteers

175722

Youth Served



72794

Registered
Members



102928

Youth Served Through
Community Outreach

Member Demographics

71%

Ages 12
and Younger

29%

Teens

52%

Minority Races
or Ethnicities

47%

Qualify for Free
or Reduced-Price
School Lunch

36%

Live in
Single-Parent
Households

“It is so much more than a title... It is a mission I am proud to embody.”

Destiny Santalucia

Massachusetts Youth of the Year

Destiny Santalucia, a member of the Boys & Girls Club of Watertown has been named Massachusetts Youth of the Year. The Youth of the Year title is a prestigious honor bestowed upon an exemplary young person in recognition of leadership, service, academic excellence and dedication to live a healthy lifestyle. Destiny has been a member of the Club since 2007, and describes herself as intuitive and inquisitive about the world. Destiny is pursuing a degree in Physics at RPI (Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute) with a career path to become an Astrophysicist.

When asked about her Club experience, Destiny shared the following, "No amount of words can fully encapsulate my Club experience and the incredible impact it has had on my life, and the role it has played in shaping my future."



Demonstrating Our Positive Impact



ACADEMIC SUCCESS

The Need

21% of young people in Massachusetts fail to graduate from high school on time.²

What We Do

Our Power Hour, Project Learn, and STEM programs help kids develop good study habits and spark their interest in science and math.

Our Impact

Among our teen-aged Club members, **95%** expect to graduate from high school, and **89%** expect to complete some kind of post-secondary education.

The Need

20% of high-school youth in Massachusetts were involved in a physical fight in the past year.³

What We Do

Our leadership and volunteer service programs, youth for Unity and Keystone Club, empower youth to become good leaders with a passion for helping others.

Our Impact

75% of Club teen members volunteer in their community at least once per year, while **53%** volunteer in their community at least once per month.



GOOD CHARACTER AND CITIZENSHIP



HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

The Need

31% of young people ages 10-17 in Massachusetts are overweight or obese.⁴

What We Do

Our Triple Play, Intramural Sports, SMART Moves Programs enable kids to be healthy in mind, body, and soul.

Our Impact

55% of Club members ages 9 and older report getting at least an hour of physical activity on five or more days per week.

How You Can Help



With your generous support, Massachusetts Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs will create opportunities to help more kids and teens achieve great futures. To make a donation or to learn about other ways you can help, contact **Jennifer Aldworth, Executive Director**, Massachusetts Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, 413.610.0194.

GREAT FUTURES START HERE.



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¹ America After 3PM, Afterschool Alliance, <http://afterschoolalliance.org/AA3PM/>

² U.S. Department of Education, ED Data Express, <http://eddataexpress.ed.gov/>

³ Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, <http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/data/yrbs/results.htm>

⁴ KIDS COUNT Data Center, <http://datacenter.kidscount.org>