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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF SOUTHEAST LOUISIANA

Westbank Unit

Our Mission

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

2018

IMPACT REPORT



“ I love coming to the Club. I get to see all my friends and do my homework. ”

Biore - Age 9
Club Member

The Westbank Club has built consistency in attendance and Club programs. The Club served 370 kids in 2018 and over 300 more in outreach. With events such as Elfrid Payton Holiday Celebration, Westbank 500 Club and the annual honor roll pizza party sponsored by Huey P's, we have gained a great deal of support from the community. Club members experienced a ton of new and exciting activities and programs, including attending sporting events, concerts, and theater. They are prepared to be promoted to the next grade on time and work toward having a plan beyond high school. The Westbank community continues to be instrumental in the Club's success and ensuring that GREAT FUTURES START HERE.

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 147,333 kids in Louisiana leave school with nowhere to go.¹ They risk being unsupervised, unguided and unsafe.

Our Reach



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Boys & Girls Club Site in Gretna



Member Demographics

81%

Ages 12 and Younger

19%

Teens

83%

Minority Races or Ethnicities

85%

Qualify for Free or Reduced-Price School Lunch

60%

Live in Single-Parent Households



Demonstrating Our Positive Impact



ACADEMIC SUCCESS

The Need

24% of young people in Jefferson Parish fail to graduate from high school on time.²

What We Do

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Our educational programs help ensure kids will be successful in school, keep them learning throughout the summer months and prepare them to be globally competitive graduates.

Our Impact

Among our teen-aged Club members, **99%** expect to graduate from high school, and **95%** expect to complete some kind of post-secondary education.

The Need

31% of high-school youth in Louisiana were involved in a physical fight in the past year.³

What We Do

Our leadership and volunteer service programs empower youth to make good decisions and refrain from altercations. Club members report that they are better equipped to resolve conflict.

Our Impact

92% of Club teen members volunteer in their community at least once per year, while **34%** volunteer in their community at least once per month.



GOOD CHARACTER AND CITIZENSHIP



HEALTHY LIFESTYLES

The Need

34% of young people ages 10-17 in Louisiana are overweight or obese.⁴

What We Do

Our programs help youth engage in positive behaviors that nurture their well-being. Club members learn how to manage stress, demonstrate good teamwork, eat right and keep physically fit.

Our Impact

62% 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, Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeast Louisiana 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 **Will Giannobile, Unit Director, Westbank Unit, 504.368.3434. www.bgcseela.org/westbank**

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

² <http://www.louisianabelieves.com>

³ <http://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/data/yrebs/results.htm>

⁴ <http://datacenter.kidscount.org>