

Spring Into Impact at the Club!

Every day, young people walk through our doors looking for a place to belong—and because of you, they find it. This spring, we're celebrating the growth, joy, and life-changing moments happening inside the Club.

A Message From the CEO

“As the Club moves into a new season, we are filled with gratitude and excitement for the growth already taking place. Every day, something powerful is happening within these walls—and even bigger things are on the horizon.

Because of you, our Club remains a place of safety, belonging, and possibility. Thank you for continuing to invest in the lives of the youth we serve.” – Stephanie Reed, CEO



Inside the Club



Building Strong Leaders

We launched Passport to Manhood and SMART Girls, empowering young men and women with confidence, character, and life skills.



Growing into Spring

As spring blooms, so does our Master Gardeners program, a Club Kid favorite, where Club kids learn how to plant, nurture, and grow. This Spring, they planted potatoes!



Cooking Up Confidence

Club Kids practiced hands-on cooking, creating both practical meals and sweet treats like apple donuts.



STEM In Action

Our partners from Liberty University College of Osteopathic Medicine visited the Club to lead engaging STEM projects that sparked curiosity and learning.

Staff Spotlight

Kalayah Wells, our Club Director, has been a dedicated leader at the Club for over a year and a half and has spent nearly 10 years working with youth.

Recently promoted to Club Director, Kalayah continues to lead with passion, care, and a deep commitment to every child who walks through our doors.

“My favorite part is the relationships built with kids—learning their personalities, helping them shine, and being part of the family dynamic of our staff.”

From the moment kids walk in, Kalayah is often greeted with smiles and stories from their day. She creates a space where youth feel safe, heard, and supported—whether they’re celebrating a win or working through a tough moment.



Kalayah Wells
Club Director

Get to Know A Club Kid!

Camille, 8

What is your favorite program at the Club? "Triple Play! I love playing Sharks and Minnows with my friends."

What do you want to be when you grow up? "A nurse to help people."

Who is someone you are thankful for? "My mom, for birthing me."

If you had a superpower, what would it be? "Be invisible, so I can sneak another snack."

What is something you want to be known for? "Being Kind."



A Look Back on the Big Game 5k!

This year's Big Game 5K was an incredible success! Community members came together in support of our mission, creating an energetic and inspiring day for all involved. Some of our beloved club kids were even there to say a few words of thanks!

The race welcomed 200+ participants, and welcomed the community!

A special thank you to our sponsors and everyone who ran, walked, and cheered us on—you made this event unforgettable!

The results and pictures from the event can be found at <https://runsignup.com/Race/VA/Lynchburg/BigGame5K>.



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Join the Club Impact Circle!

When you join the Club Impact Circle, you help ensure that a child has consistent access to the programs, meals, mentorship, and support they need throughout the year.

Your monthly gift sponsors real Club kids, providing:

- Daily healthy meals and snacks
- Homework help and academic support
- Mentorship and positive role models
- Leadership and character-building programs
- A safe place to belong after school

Scan here to donate!



When you sponsor a Club kid, you are investing in their future and helping them grow into confident, capable leaders in our community.

The Encourager

\$10/month

Sponsors 3 Club kids
each year

The Mentor

\$40/month

Sponsors 12 Club kids
each year

The Champion

\$80/month

Sponsors 24 Club kids
each year

Don't Miss Out: NAPE Tax Credits still available!

There is still time to take advantage of NAPE Tax Credits—but they are limited and must be used before the deadline in June.

This is a unique opportunity to support the Club while receiving significant tax benefits. We encourage you to act soon and share this opportunity with others who may be interested.

Contact us at www.bgclyh.org/get-in-touch to learn more today.

Thank You to Our Recent Grantors!



We're grateful to Pacific Life for their generous grant supporting academic success and helping our youth reach their full potential.

Thank you to all of our community partners and friends who support Boys & Girls Club of Greater Lynchburg.

Because of your generosity, lives are being changed every day inside the Club. Thank you for being part of this mission and helping create a brighter future for the youth in our community.



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