



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF GREATER HAVERHILL

Club, 1925



Annual Report

2025

Dear Friends and Supporters,

For 125 years, the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Haverhill has proudly carried forward a tradition of serving youth in our community. Since 1900, our mission has been to provide meaningful experiences that shape young people into future leaders and engaged citizens. This commitment is not just a legacy—it's a responsibility we uphold every day.

Our History and Legacy

From our humble beginnings in a 10,000 sq. ft. building, we've helped develop business owners, CEOs, city officials, and even professional athletes. Programs have evolved from woodshop and shoe repair to innovative, award-winning programs, always meeting kids where they are and preparing them for what's next. We walk in the footsteps of giants—leaders like Budger Wysocki, whose dedication laid the foundation for generations of success. Knowing our history gives us strength and vision for the future.

Today's Impact

What truly defines the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Haverhill is the sense of belonging and possibility we create for every child who walks through our doors. Each day, we see young people discover their passions, build confidence, and form relationships that last a lifetime.

Whether it's a teen finding their voice through art, a child learning teamwork on the basketball court, or a student gaining the skills to pursue a dream career, these moments are the heartbeat of our mission. Behind every success story is a caring mentor, a safe space, and a community that believes in their potential.

Our greatest impact isn't measured in numbers—it's seen in the smiles, the breakthroughs, and the futures being built one day at a time.

Looking Ahead

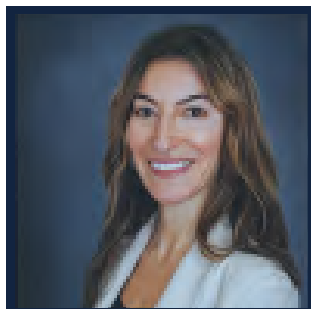
The future is bright. Soon, we will open a state-of-the-art facility designed to serve 500 youth each day—a transformational space that will stand as a beacon of hope and opportunity for the next 125 years. This new home represents more than bricks and mortar; it symbolizes our promise to continue building great futures for generations to come.

Thank You

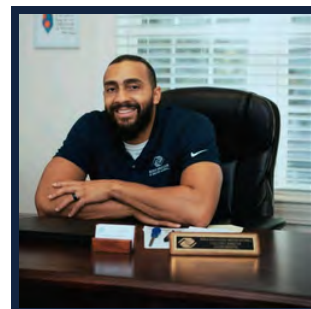
Thank you for being part of this incredible journey. Together, we honor the past, celebrate the present, and embrace the future with excitement and purpose.

With Gratitude,

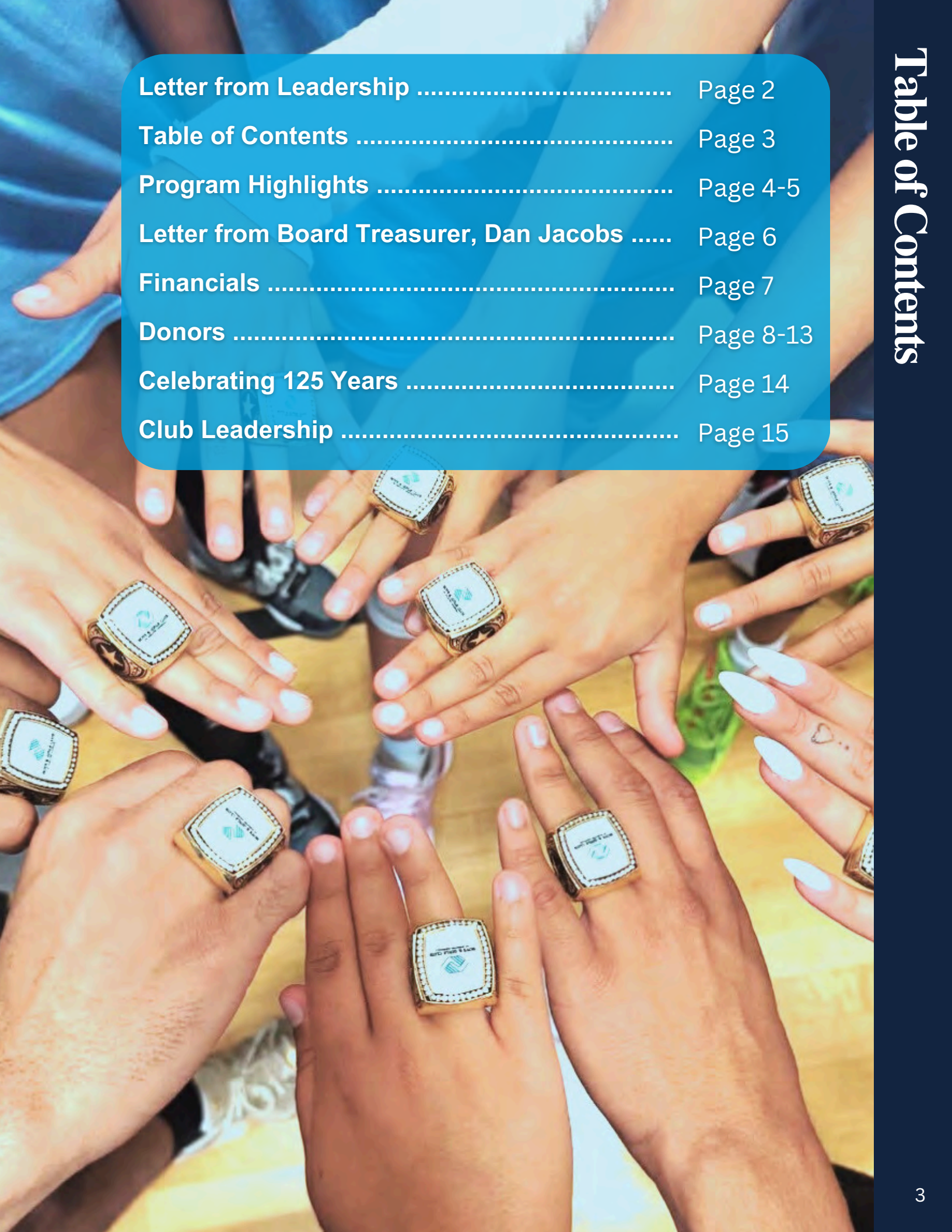
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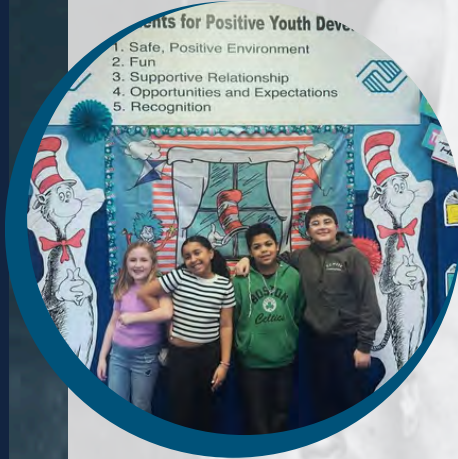


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Our Mission in Action

In 2025, the Haverhill Boys & Girls Club was buzzing with energy, curiosity, and growth. Every day after school, during school breaks, and throughout the summer, our Club provided a safe, welcoming space where youth could learn new skills, build friendships, and discover their potential. Through academic enrichment, leadership development, hands-on STEAM learning, health and wellness activities, and creative exploration, we proudly served youth of all ages while adapting to the evolving needs of our community.



Education & Academic Success: Learning That Feels Fun

Reading Foundations

In 2025, we launched the **NEW Renaissance Reading Program**, offered three days per week. Using data-driven instruction tailored to each child’s reading level, this program strengthened phonics, decoding, vocabulary, and comprehension skills. Members also practiced presenting and speaking in front of peers—building confidence that carried into the classroom and beyond. Through consistent practice, students gained academic readiness and developed a stronger love of reading.

Math Enrichment Program

Math came to life at the Club through our engaging **Math Enrichment Program**, designed to meet members where they are and make learning interactive and fun.

Every week 220 members participated in **Math Mondays**. Monthly themed challenges turned math into team-based games that encouraged creativity, collaboration, and problem-solving.

Our age-specific approach ensured every member felt successful:

- **Elementary youth** became *Number Ninjas*, mastering number sense and basic operations through hands-on games and activities.
- **Upper elementary and middle school members** used Khan Academy for personalized, self-paced learning with built-in progress tracking.
- **Teens and tweens** tackled real-world math problems, logic challenges, and collaborative projects that connected math to everyday life.



STEAM, Innovation & Hands-On Learning: Curiosity in Action

Garden Club & Hydroponics Program

Science grew literally through our **Garden Club & Hydroponics Program**. Each week, members rolled up their sleeves to plant, water, and harvest vegetables, herbs, and flowers. Youth also explored hydroponic growing methods, learning how plants can thrive without soil.

The garden became an outdoor classroom where biology, chemistry, and environmental science came to life. Along the way, members learned responsibility, teamwork, and patience while experiencing the pride of watching their hard work grow from seed to harvest.



NEW in 2025: Teen & Tween STEM Program

This year, we launched the Teen & Tween STEAM Program for youth ages 10–18, offering hands-on learning in an exciting, small-group setting.

Participants dove into interactive science experiments, engineering design challenges, coding basics, and real-world problem-solving. Beyond technical skills, youth practiced teamwork, leadership, and communication while learning about potential STEM career paths. The program sparked curiosity and showed members that science and technology can be both fun and meaningful.

**Character Development: Building Tomorrow's Leaders**

Leadership development remained at the heart of our work in 2025. Through **Torch Club**, **Keystone Club**, and **Youth of the Year**, members strengthened their voices, served their community, and grew into confident role models.

We proudly celebrated **Justice Deveau** as our **2025 Youth of the Year**. Justice's journey reflects resilience, determination, and growth. As Board President Thea Doherty shared, "*Justice is the embodiment of growth, resilience, drive, and purpose. Their ability to reflect deeply, speak with conviction, and rise above challenges shows not just who they are, but who they are becoming.*"

Bridge Program: Growing With Confidence

Our **BRIDGE Club** continued to expand, helping over 70 teens develop their workforce skills through activities such as resume writing, financial education, and career exploration field trips. In 2025 we established a partnership with the Gateway Academy, welcoming 22 students at our facility to participate in workforce programming as part of an alternative educational pathway.

Summer Programming: A Season to Remember**2025 Summer Camp Highlights**

Summer 2025 was filled with laughter, adventure, and discovery. We welcomed over 200 campers at Camp Tasker, and we were especially excited to welcome 5-year-olds to camp for the first time this year. Campers explored weekly themes like Carnival Week, All-American Week, Adventure Week, Splish Splash Week, and Disney Week.

Additional summer offerings provided engaging opportunities for learning, recreation, and connection. 80 youth entering grades 1 to 4 joined us for Kid's Club, our free summer academic program. Over 200 teens participated in our Summer Teen Nights and Sports Leagues in 2025, and enjoyed activities such as basketball, volleyball, video game tournaments and field trips.



2024 Audited Financials

Total support and revenues grew 13% to \$1.78 million driven by a 13% increase in contributions and grants and 21% increase in program revenues.

2024 was a year highlighted by a successful bid and acquisition of the club's future location, the kick-off of a multi-year capital campaign to fund the future construction of a new home and growth in program services provided. New programs added include a drama program, music lessons and the Workforce Development Program.

Philanthropy totaled \$1.43 million in 2024 which covered 70% of the Club's expenses that year.

Corporate support remained stable in 2024 through sponsorship of the Club's fundraising events - The annual Golf Tournament and Casino Royale – which together generated \$185 thousand for the club.

Contributions totaled \$332 thousand in 2024, up from \$264 thousand in 2023, primarily reflecting increases in donations related to the new building campaign and general club donations.

Program Service Fees increased \$245 thousand or 17% in 2024 which supported growth generated including previously mentioned addition of a drama program, music lessons and the Workforce Development Program. Increased service fees also relate to personnel additions for those programs and the Kids Club Licensed Childcare program.

Overall, expenses increased 16% in 2024. Primary drivers of the increase were payroll and programming related to funding the Club's direct services. The addition of staff and wage increases to stay competitive and retain quality staff to support growing program offerings and membership contributed to the increase in expenses. Successful funding supported new programs. Growth in existing programs and new ones added required additional supplies and new equipment to support them.

The balance sheet remained strong with net assets totaling \$9.2 million, reflecting an increase of \$829 thousand (10%) from the prior year as the Club's endowment grew \$260 thousand (5%) in 2024 to \$5.7 million. Liabilities totaled only \$197 thousand at the end of 2024.

Of the \$8.6 million in net assets at the end of 2024, \$3 million (35%) were Unrestricted, \$5.4 million (62%) were Permanently Restricted and \$224 thousand (3%) were Temporarily Restricted.

In conclusion, the Club's balance sheet remained strong at the end of 2024. Support and revenues demonstrated continued growth. Personnel additions supported expanded programs and services. Philanthropy, corporate support, contributions and grant funding continued to be supportive of the Club's growth and a reflection of the Club's experienced leadership and dedicated staff.

Statement of Financial Position

*Audit as of December 31, 2024

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents **\$579,796.00**
 Prepaid Expenses **\$1,525.00**
 Endowment Investments **\$5,694,661.00**
 Property and Equipment **\$1,859,126.00**
 Restricted Cash **\$418,788.00**
 Certificates of Deposit **\$630,888.00**

LIABILITIES & ASSETS

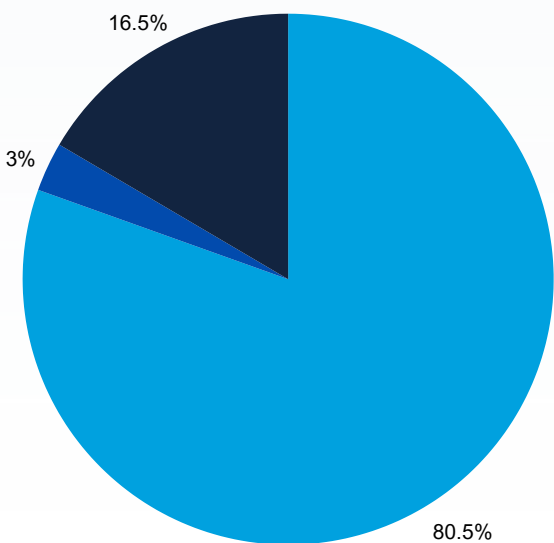
Accounts Payable **\$16,210.00**
 Operating Lease Liabilities **\$42,917.00**
 Mortgage Payable **\$138,181.00**
 Net Asset-Unrestricted **\$3,004,422.00**
 With Donor Restrictions **\$5,361,836.00**
 Designated by Board of Directors **\$224,038.00**
 for Camp Tasker

Total Liabilities & Net Assets \$8,790,392.00

Statement of Activities

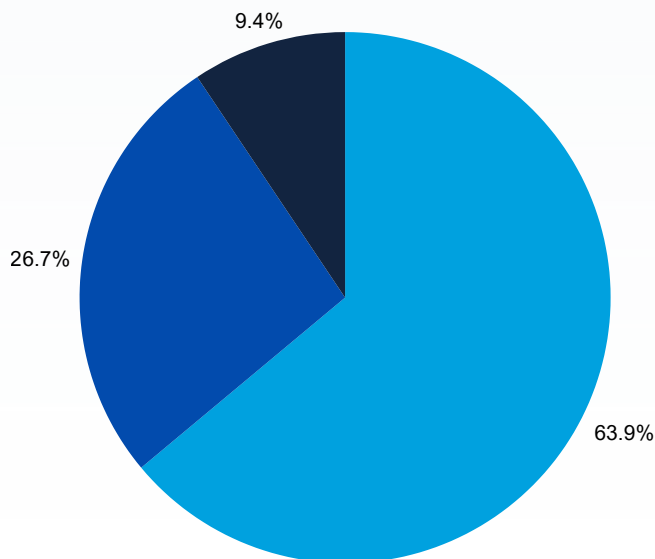
REVENUE

- Contributions and Grants **\$1,432,136.00**
- Special Event Tickets **\$53,344.00**
- Program Revenue **\$294,369.00**



EXPENSES

- Program Services **\$1,307,293.00**
- Supporting Services **\$545,211.00**
- Fundraising **\$192,215.00**



Thank you to our 2025 VIP Corporate Supporters!

This listing represents businesses that made a significant contribution of unrestricted support*, providing an important resource that allows us to meet our kid’s most current and pressing needs.

**Many of these businesses also gave additional dollars in 2025 towards specific programs and campaigns! Please see our full donor listing for their comprehensive giving figures.*



Diamond Level - \$10,000+

Bank of New England
Haverhill Bank
Monogram Foods
Pentucket Bank

Platinum Level \$7,500+

Market Basket
North Mechanical Services, Inc.

Gold Level - \$5,000+

Cedar’s Foods
Insurance Solutions

Silver Level - \$2,500+

Lowell Five

Donor Supported Programs & Projects

The following list highlights just a few of the many amazing donors who generously supported specific programs and projects in 2025.

Academic Programs – Funded by Education Comes First Inc., TD Bank Charitable Foundation, (Math & Reading) Nordson Corporation Foundation, City of Haverhill (STEAM)

Our math, reading, and STEAM programs thrived in 2025 thanks to these funders. From Khan Academy to Renaissance Reading, our core math and reading programs engaged learners of all ages with hands-on group activities and individualized learning tools. Our STEAM program expanded to include teens & tweens, with exciting programming geared towards older members.

Food Programs – Funded by Cedar’s Foods and United Way of Massachusetts Bay

During a time when food insecurity was especially heightened, we were so fortunate to have funders supporting our food programs. Cedar’s Foods continues to be one of our most generous food funders, providing a sponsorship for our Kids in the Kitchen program that teaches young people the basics of nutrition and proper cooking techniques. The United Way of Massachusetts Bay provided essential funding during the holiday season for a special meal distribution program – with weekend meal bags for our families that were stocked with grocery essentials + gift cards, and assembled by our tween and teen leadership Club members.

Community Partnerships

2025 was a banner year for incredible community partnerships! From Channel Building Company and A Day Fore Jay hosting summer golf tournaments that benefited our Club, to businesses like the 99 Restaurant-Haverhill, Shaw’s – Plaistow, and USI Insurance Services providing us with special donations, alongside countless members of the Haverhill community who stepped up by sponsoring our sports teams, donating soil for our garden club, contributing items for the silent auctions at our fundraisers, buying turkeys at Thanksgiving, or providing gifts for our families during the holiday season. We are so appreciative of the amazing citizens and businesses of Haverhill!

\$50,000+

Amelia Peabody Foundation
 City of Haverhill
 Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 MA State Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs
 U.S. Department of Labor - Community Project Funding

\$25,000-\$49,000

Boys and Girls Club of America
 Channel Building Company
 Edmund & Betsy Cabot Charitable Foundation
 Education Comes First, Inc.
 Edward S and Winifred G Moseley Foundation
 Nordson Corporation Foundation
 Vaughn Paddock
 Pentucket Bank
 State of New Hampshire

\$10,000-\$24,999

Bank of New England
 Cedar's Foods
 DCU For Kids
 Haverhill Bank
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\$5,000-\$9,999

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 Newburyport Bank Charitable Foundation, Inc.
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\$2,500-\$4,999

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**2025
Champion for Youth Philanthropy Awards**

At our 1906 Club* event in April, the following donors were recognized for significant contributions to our Club over the last year:

“Community Advocacy” award

Haverhill Police Department – for their exceptional efforts in serving the community’s youth

“Philanthropy in Action” award

Issa Zefta – recognizing his time, talents and creativity in serving our Club

“Business Champion for Youth” award

Haverhill Bank – in honor of their transformative impact on the Club’s youth programs

**The 1906 Club is a recognition society for all donors who annually contribute \$1,000 or more to the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Haverhill.*

To Our Donors – If your name is missing or not listed as you would like it, please contact Melissa deFriesse, Director of Development at (978) 374-6171 x102 or mdefriesse@haverhillbgc.org to that we may properly recognize your donations in the future.



Celebrating our 125th Anniversary

In 2025, the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Haverhill celebrated our 125th Anniversary! With the help of members of the Wysocki family, we compiled a 125-year timeline notating and documenting important moments in our Club's history.



1897

Mr. Elmer W. Welch, a printer, unofficially founded the Haverhill Boys Club. His home on the corner of Observatory Ave. and Washington St. became the first clubhouse.

1906

On January 22, the Club was incorporated in the State of Massachusetts and became affiliated with the Federation Boys Clubs of America.

1982

On May 16, 1982 a greatly enlarged gym and additional facilities were dedicated thanks to President Alfred J. Cirome and the Board of Directors.

1900

The Haverhill Boys Club officially became the 40th Boys Club in the United States.

1917

The Directors bought the property of Albert H. Whittaker at 57-59 Emerson St. for \$13,000, the same building the Club resides in to this day.

2009

The Haverhill Boys Club invited girls and became the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Haverhill.

The full timeline can be viewed at haverhillbgc.org/our-story

Alumni Weekend

On September 5th & 6th we held our first ever alumni event, inviting former club members, staff, and anyone in Haverhill who attended a Boys and Girls Club as a child to witness the unveiling of our brand new Club memorabilia case.



We also hosted a networking breakfast and a basketball tournament, bringing it back to the most historic of our programs at the Club.



Interested in viewing our memorabilia case? Contact the Club to schedule a time for a visit.

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