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**LODI
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**



2025 Community Impact Report



MORE THAN A CLUB — A PLACE OF HOPE

Being a part of the Lodi Boys and Girls Club has truly been an honor. Before I became a board member at Lodi Boys and Girls Club in 2023, I only knew it as the after-school program for kids. However, it's so much more. It's a place for kids to learn, have fun, build friendships, and have a safe place with opportunities they normally might not receive.

As a donor, you don't always get to see behind the curtain, as they say. Serving on the board has given me more insight and the desire to continue supporting this organization. Some of these children are truly in need, and the Lodi Boys and Girls Club is the only place of comfort for them. Some don't have loving families to go home to, some don't have much money for food or clothes, and some don't even have a house to call home. It is so easy to take such basic needs for granted in our everyday lives. These are things most of us, fortunately, don't have to think about.

Places like the Boys and Girls Club are vital for the community to give these kids a fighting chance in the world.

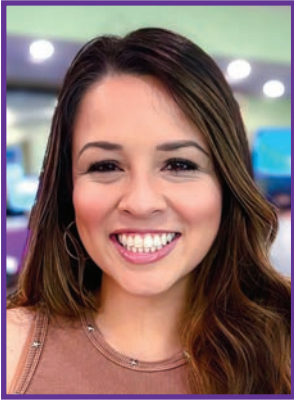
That's why places like the Boys and Girls Club are so vital. The Club gives kids more than just a safe space after school — it gives them hope, stability, and role models they can count on. In my work with the End It Alliance and the San Joaquin Family Justice Center, I see firsthand the importance of positive influences on youth. The Boys and Girls Club embodies that, offering kids not just structure but also reassurance that their lives matter and that brighter possibilities are within reach.

Without the amazing staff at the Lodi Boys and Girls Club, the Club would not be what it is today. The kids are always the number one priority for staff, as they should be. The staff annually receive days of training developed by the National Boys and Girls Club. The training helps the staff handle a variety of situations that might arise. There are children from all walks of life and backgrounds who attend the Club, so they need to know how to care for each child individually.

Donor support also makes a visible impact. In just the past year, contributions funded numerous upgrades and repairs: recoating the gym floor, fixing ceiling tiles, resealing windows and doors, repairing leaks, replacing carpet, upgrading internet and solar panels, and enhancing security cameras and fire monitoring. These improvements don't just maintain the facility — they ensure the Club remains a safe, welcoming environment where kids feel valued and secure. And that is only a portion of what your donations fund!

The Club extended its hours on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Fridays, "Friday Nights at the Club" for teens to have a safe place to hang out. Some of the structured activities offered include educational activities, computer, lab, arts and crafts, physical fitness, games, and special activities for children of all ages.

Just stepping inside the Club, you can see your donations at work. This is one organization where you truly see the money going straight to the children. Children are our future; we must ensure we are giving them every opportunity to succeed in life. Donations don't always come in the form of money; it can also be time volunteering at one of our three annual fundraisers, donating food, clothing, or an experience for the kids to attend (concert, play, game, etc.). These children just need to feel seen, valued, supported by people who care about them. So, you for making a difference for these children. generosity truly makes a difference, and it means world to these kids – and to me.



Rachel Crusenberry
CEO, JSG Trucking



CHILD SAFETY IS OUR TOP PRIORITY

The safety of every young person who enters the Lodi Boys & Girls Clubs is our top priority. When youth feel secure—mentally and physically—they are better positioned to learn, grow, and thrive.

There is nothing more important to us than keeping children safe and protected. We pursue this goal with vigilance, compassion, and a proactive approach that informs every facet of our operations—from daily routines to special activities, programs, and events. Our safety framework is clear, actionable, and measurable, ensuring real protection for every child.

Lodi Boys & Girls Club maintains a zero-tolerance stance toward any conduct that could harm a young person, physically or emotionally. This commitment is reflected throughout our organization—from policies and staffing structures to ongoing staff, volunteer, and partner education.

Key elements of our safety approach include:

- **Comprehensive policies and procedures:** Clear rules for acceptable conduct, a documented reporting process, and transparent accountability.
- **Rigorous staff training:** Continuous, evidence-based instruction on trauma-informed care, child protection, safeguarding, and healthy relationship boundaries.
- **Supervision and environment:** Safe, age-appropriate spaces with appropriate supervision ratios, secure access controls, and regular safety drills.
- **Social-emotional learning:** Programs that build critical thinking, empathy, resilience, and healthy decision-making to empower youth to make safe choices.
- **Open communication channels:** Safe avenues for youth and caregivers to report concerns, with timely, confidential handling and follow-up.
- **Collaborative partnerships:** Engagement with families, schools, and community organizations to reinforce safety beyond the Club and share resources.

Our commitment goes beyond policy on paper; it guides daily practice. We continuously assess risks, seek feedback from youth and families, and adjust strategies to meet evolving safety needs. By prioritizing prevention, education, and a culture of care, we aim to create an environment where every member feels valued, protected, and empowered to succeed.



Margot Aguilar
Program Director

DONOR SPOTLIGHT



Steve & Jill Mann

The Boys and Girls Club has been a part of Lodi for longer than we can remember. It has always been more than a place for kids to hang out. We know it's where kids belong; a safe and welcoming environment where kids can be kids. The Club has always been a positive influence on Lodi's youth. For generations, and generations to come.

But we've also found the Club to be much more than that. It is a place where today's youth can share their joys and problems with adults who really care. It's a place where kids are welcomed regardless of their race, color, creed, or status. It's a safe haven for young people to learn new things, to explore, and to develop new interests that may change their lives.

We support the Lodi Boys and Girls Club because the organization meets kids where they are, at their level. Club staff know every child and their particular circumstances. We appreciate that and try to focus our financial support where it's most needed.

We want to put our resources where they will change lives. That's why we give to the Lodi Boys and Girls Club.



TOMORROW’S LEADERS ARE AT THE LODI BOYS & GIRLS CLUB TODAY!

Tomorrow’s leaders are already among us. Every afternoon, they walk through the doors of the Lodi Boys & Girls Club. Inside, they are safe, active, and inspired — exploring new skills, building friendships, and discovering their potential. These young people are preparing to become the scientists, innovators, artists, athletes, and community change-makers we need to carry our nation forward.

Yet too many kids never get that chance. Across the country, 1 in 2 young people lacks access to after-school programs, and 1 in 7 are left alone when the school day ends. For them, the hours after class — hours that should be filled with learning, growth, and connection — become a time of risk and disconnection.

That’s why Boys & Girls Clubs matter. Across the nation, our doors are open. While parents and caregivers work to provide for their families, kids are inside our Clubs finding mentors, making friends, and gaining the tools they need to build bright futures.



OPENING THE DOOR TO GREAT FUTURES

Every time we open our doors, kids discover more than a safe place. They find belonging, guidance, and opportunity. They’re learning to lead, to serve, to create, and to dream big. They are not just our future — they are our now.

At a time when our nation faces challenges in education, mental health, and belonging, Club Kids are the answer. Resilient, creative, and compassionate, they’re building the future we all need.

JOIN US IN KEEPING OUR DOORS OPEN

America needs Club Kids. And Club Kids need you. Your support opens the door to safety, belonging, opportunity, and possibility for every child who walks into the Club.

When you give, volunteer, or advocate, you help shape the next generation of leaders. Because when you open the door to a Club, you open the door to a better future — for all of us.

“ I came out of retirement to help our Lodi Club regain its stability and direction. Originally, I discussed working for a few months. It has now been six rewarding years watching our staff mentor and motivate hundreds of Lodi youth. God willing, I hope to continue this rewarding journey for several more years. To everyone who has supported our mission in the past, I give you my sincere thank you.”

Roger Coover
Executive Director



A STORY OF IMPACT

Jordon’s story is one of thousands happening in Boys & Girls Clubs every day.

When he first arrived, Jordon was a quiet boy falling behind in school. His mom, working two jobs to provide for their family, worried about him being home alone after school. At the Club, Jordon discovered more than a safe place — he found caring mentors who helped him with homework, encouraged his curiosity, and introduced him to our robotics program.

With support and guidance, Jordon’s confidence grew. He began earning higher grades, making friends, and even stepping up to lead his robotics team in competitions. Today, Jordon is talking about becoming an engineer. Most importantly, he believes in himself.

Jordon’s story is proof of what’s possible when a child walks through an open door at the Club.



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“ The Boys & Girls Club is my safe place;
there is always a happy vibe at the club.
The club is like a second home to me.”

Daniel Ortiz



“I have been coming to the club for 8 years. I love coming to the club because the people here make me feel welcomed and cared for. I love doing all activities.”

Kaya

“I have been coming to the club for 5 years. The Club means a lot of things, but most importantly, it means a place to be me and feel comfortable in my skin.”

Saul

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TOGETHER, WE'RE BUILDING GREAT FUTURES — ONE CLUB KID AT A TIME.

In these times of rising costs and economic uncertainty, it's not always easy for families and businesses to give as they once did. That's why we feel especially grateful for the generosity of our community. Most of our support comes from caring local individuals and businesses, and this past year, we were also blessed with grants from the wonderful foundations and companies listed on this page.

These gifts go straight to what matters most — the people who make a difference every day in the lives of our Club kids. Two-thirds of this year's grant funding helped us keep trained, caring staff in place to mentor, guide, and inspire our members. The remaining support allowed us to improve our building and provide the tools and equipment needed to create a safe, welcoming, and engaging environment.

Simply put, we could not do this work without you. Every child who walks through our doors benefits because of the generosity of foundations, businesses, and families who believe in our mission. We are deeply thankful for the support we've received this year and for the ongoing commitment of those who have stood with us year after year.

Together, we are building great futures.



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“I don't know where I would be without the Boys & Girls Club. They help my grandkids with homework and teach them self-respect. When I am sick, they call me and check on me to see if there is anything they can do to help. When I was in need of things for my grandkids, they were on it right away. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for all you have done for my family.”

Regina Ortiz





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As you think about what type of legacy you want to leave for your family, and in our community for kids and families, please consider local non-profits in your planning. If you have already included the Lodi Boys & Girls Club in your will or estate plan, please let us know so we can properly recognize your generosity now.

ENDOWING OUR LONG-TERM FUTURE

The Lodi Boys & Girls Club has an endowment fund generously established a few years ago by the Bo Katzakian Family. The Club cannot spend from the core principal of the endowment and is limited to taking a maximum 4% each year from its earnings. The fund is managed through the Community Foundation of San Joaquin. Building a large endowment fund helps ensure operating funds will be available for the long-term future and will lower future fundraising burdens on the community. Consider donating to help build our endowment.

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Call Executive Director Roger Coover for Details

VOLUNTEERING

While we can utilize a small number of volunteers, our child safety policies and laws require volunteers to pass background screening, drug screens and TB testing before working directly with youth. If you have a passion for helping youth within a strict safety environment, contact our office.

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