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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE RED RIVER VALLEY AWARDED \$19,330 GRANT
TO FUEL YOUNG PEOPLE'S BOLD AMBITIONS**

Fargo, ND - August 11, 2022 – Boys & Girls Clubs of the Red River Valley received a \$19,330 grant from the Taco Bell Foundation to support teens in our community. The funds will go toward the MindWorks "Think Big!" Academic Success, Mentoring and Tutoring program, and other programs that educate and inspire the next generation of leaders. Our desired outcomes for this project include 100% grade progression of our teen members, an increase in program participation, and increased interest by the teens to continue their education.

"It's a privilege to partner with the Taco Bell Foundation in educating and inspiring young people nationwide," said Robin Nelson, CEO of Boys & Girls Club of the Red River Valley. "Together, we are working to break down barriers to education for future leaders."

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Red River Valley is one of more than 400+ youth-serving organizations that will receive a portion of the \$7 million in Community Grants presented by the Taco Bell Foundation this year. The grants are an example of the Taco Bell Foundation's mission to break down barriers to education and fuel young people's boldest ambitions.

"We are proud that the work we do through our Community Grants program connects young people with the resources and opportunities they need to learn and drive change," said Jennifer Bradbury, Executive Director of the Taco Bell Foundation.

Taco Bell Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt public charity that educates and inspires the next generation of leaders through programming like the Live Más Scholarship and the Local Grants Program. Since 1992, the Taco Bell Foundation has reached more than 5 million young people across the country and has awarded more than \$130 million in grants and scholarships, focused on education and career readiness. In 2015, Taco Bell and the Taco Bell Foundation launched the [Live Más Scholarship](#), a program aimed at fueling the bold ambitions of America's future leaders. In May 2022, the Taco Bell Foundation awarded \$8 million in Live Más Scholarships to 772 students. For more information, visit TacoBellFoundation.org.

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Red River Valley is a non-profit organization celebrating 50 years offering youth development programs for before school, after school, and school-out days for youth grades K-5 at 13 Fargo locations. We also operate The CLUB Teen Center, providing after school and school-out programming for teens in grades 6-12 at our BGC Midtown location.

Our Mission: To provide a safe, caring, and fun environment for youth to learn, grow, and prepare for a great future. Learn more about Boys & Girls Clubs of the Red River Valley at BGCRRV.org, [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#)

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