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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE RED RIVER VALLEY AWARDED \$43,300 TO SUPPORT YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITY

Fargo, ND. June 5, 2024 – Today, the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Red River Valley received a \$43,300 grant from the Taco Bell Foundation to support youth in our community. The funds will go toward supporting The CLUB Teen Center's STEAM curriculum and life skill programming. In today's complex and ever-changing world, it is crucial to cultivate critical thinkers and problem solvers who can effectively navigate and address the modern challenges we face. By incorporating science, technology, engineering, art, and math (STEAM) into our programming, we aim to equip our CLUB teens with the knowledge and skills necessary for systematic problem-solving, information analysis, evidence-based decision-making, and creative solutions.

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

The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Red River Valley are part of more than 450+ youth-serving organizations that will receive a portion of the nearly \$23 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.

"Our Community Grants program is unique, because the funds are dispersed back to organizations in the local community they are raised in," said Neil Borkan, Chairman of the Taco Bell Foundation. "We are so thankful for the generosity of our partners, customers and Taco Bell team members that make it possible for us to continue serving youth across the country."

About the Taco Bell Foundation

Taco Bell Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) public charity that helps America's young people pursue their educational goals and career aspirations. Since 1992, the Taco Bell Foundation has reached more than 5 million young people across the country and has awarded over \$188 million in grants and scholarships, focused on education and career readiness. For more information about the Taco Bell Foundation, visit tacobellfoundation.org.

About Boys & Girls Clubs of America

For 160 years, Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA.org) has provided a safe place for kids and teens to learn and grow. Clubs offer caring adult mentors, fun and friendship, and high-impact youth development programs on a daily basis during critical non-school hours. Boys & Girls Clubs programming promotes academic success, good character and leadership, and healthy lifestyles. More than 5,400 Clubs serve over 3.3 million young people through Club membership and community outreach. Clubs are located in cities, towns, public housing and on Native lands throughout the country, and serve military families in BGCA-affiliated Youth Centers on U.S. military installations worldwide. National headquarters are located in Atlanta. Learn more about Boys & Girls Clubs of America on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/bgca) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/bgca).

About Boys & Girls Clubs of the Red River Valley

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Red River Valley (BGCRRV.org) is a non-profit organization celebrating more than 50 years of serving Fargo area youth. Our youth development programs are offered before school, after school, and school-out days at 13 Fargo locations and two Youth Centers for youth in grades K-5, and after school and school-out days at The CLUB Teen Center for grades 6-12. BGCRRV programming helps youth achieve in three priority outcome areas: Academic Success, Good Character, and Healthy Lifestyles. Learn more about Boys & Girls Clubs of the Red River Valley at BGCRRV.org.