Dear Boys & Girls Club Family:

As we all know, 2009 was a very difficult year for all Americans. Many families suffered from the economic downturn as parents were laid off from work and found it difficult to keep sending their children to the Boys & Girls Club. However, we at the Club felt it was important that these children continue to have access to our programs and the safe, healthy environment that the Club provides. With this wish in mind, we worked harder than ever to keep providing scholarships for families in need, and we were able to do so thanks to the response of the many people and corporations who shared in this wish with us by supporting efforts like our Annual Dinner & Auction.

Though this year presented many challenges and financial difficulties for the Club as well as for our supporters, we held to our commitment of providing high quality programs for our children. We did not cut back on quality, but spent many days working out a budget that met the new challenges. We found fundraising for our Capital Campaign much more difficult, but this only pushed us to work even harder and I am proud to report we are meeting our goals. We have you to thank for all of this, and we pledge to continue making children and the work we do for them our number one priority.

When I see what a tough time we’ve come through, I have a great sense of pride in what the Boys & Girls Club family, which you are an important part of, has accomplished together. More than 8,000 children from Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley and the surrounding communities benefited from the Club’s outstanding programs in 2009. I’d like to share with you some of the results of a recent member survey that illustrate the good your support is doing for our community’s kids:

• 76% of our members feel better about themselves since they started coming to the Club.
• 62% say they do better in school because of the Club and the homework help it provides.
• 68% of members say being part of the Club gives them a place they feel like they belong.

68% of members say they have found a positive role model or mentor in our caring staff and volunteers.
• 83% have found an adult they can go to for help with their problems.
• 80% of kids have made new friends at the Club.

Belonging. Positive relationships with adults and peers. Improved self-esteem. Greater success in school. These are amazing gifts that you have helped give to our community’s children. Thank you.

It is the Club’s wish to keep striving to do better in order to meet the needs of our community’s children and families. That is why we are working steadily towards building a new Boys & Girls Club on the campus of Golden West College. This new site will serve up to 2,500 children per year and will be California’s first Boys & Girls Club on a college campus. We are thrilled to have broken ground on the site’s Child Development Center for children ages 6 weeks to 5 years old and I look forward to sharing news of the Center’s opening with you in 2010.

The Club also continues to work towards raising the remaining $4 million required to build the new facility’s school age youth center and gymnasium. Even in this challenging economic climate, we know we can succeed with this ambitious project. Why? Because you and thousands of others in our community believe that the needs of our community’s most disadvantaged children and families are a top priority and you know the families in our community need the affordable childcare and youth programs the new Club will provide.

We thank you for so much this year...Thank you for making our community’s kids your priority. Thank you for helping us make their wishes come true so children’s lives are changed for the better.

With gratitude,

Shirley Dettloff
President, Board of Directors
OUR MISSION IS...

TO INSPIRE and ENABLE the HEALTHY development of all YOUNG PEOPLE, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as PRODUCTIVE, RESPONSIBLE, and CARING members of our community.

MISSION Statement

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PHOTO REVIEW 2009

JANUARY
Club members participate in the annual Surf City Half Marathon.

FEBRUARY
Club launches the "Million Gifts for Kids Campaign" asking everyone in the Boys & Girls Club family to give $6.37.

MARCH
Teen members of the Torch Club put on the Club's first eco-friendly fashion show, called "Be Cool, Be Green!".

APRIL
Club preschools celebrate the Week of the Young Child with special events.

MAY
AVP Players & Crocs representatives visit the Huntington Beach Branch and provide each member with a free pair of Crocs.

JUNE
Club celebrates Boys & Girls Clubs Day for Kids.

JULY
RBH Club baseball team celebrates the end of the season with a banquet and game at Angel Stadium.

AUGUST
The Shoe Project gives 100 kids new school shoes.

SEPTEMBER
Club partners with local service Club to take kids shopping for new school clothes.

OCTOBER
More than 650 people come together to support kids at our 31st Annual Benefit Dinner & Auction.

NOVEMBER
Building Dreams Campaign builds momentum.

DECEMBER

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF HUNTINGTON VALLEY
The start of a new week means an early start for my family. My brother, sister and I are up before the sun on most days. We have to get up early because our mom works in L.A. and our dad lives far away. It is rough getting up and it takes us a long time, so we usually get breakfast on the way.

Here we go again. As a single parent, the first day of the week is always a tough transition for our family. Once I am up, I hurry to get ready and then wake the children. When the kids are up and ready, we are out the door. Usually, breakfast is McDonald’s as we drive to the Club. What would I do without the Club? Because I commute to L.A. every day, the Club has been our savior.

After we pick up breakfast, our first stop is the Club’s Learning Center Preschool, where we drop off my little sister. She’s 3 1/2, and is always excited to spend her day at the Club. The whole ride, she’s been chattering about how Miss Judy said that they would do creative movement today. She’s been practicing her colors, too, and telling me all the different colors of cars we see on the road. Later this morning, she’ll take a Club bus from her preschool to the ClubHouse Academy and take a ballet class with Miss Allison. Her dance classes make Mondays one of her favorite days of the week and she’s been holding her bag with her ballet shoes tight. When we get to the Learning Center, Mom walks her to her classroom and I see my sister run up to her teacher and give her a big hug.

When we get to the Club, the staff are there, ready and waiting for us. For my brother and me, our first stop is the café. As soon as we are finished with our breakfast, we are off. I like to hang out in the Education Center while my brother plays in the gym. We only get an hour of time to play before we get on the bus to go to school.

As I drive to work, I know my children are in great hands at the Boys & Girls Club. My kids will be bused to school in the morning and picked up and taken back to the Club after school. The staff is wonderfully attentive and caring. Their consistency gives me peace of mind on my long commute and over the course of my long work day.

Well, there is the 2:50 p.m. bell, and that means school is out. I am very excited because I get to go back to the Boys & Girls Club. When I get to the Club, I go straight to the Education Center to do my homework in a program called Power Hour. Our mom wants me and my brother to get our homework done right away before playing. My brother is already finished and playing. Once I finish my homework, it’s right to the art room for me. I think of the art room as my home away from home. My favorite staff, Ms. Tanya, runs the art room and has lots of wonderful projects for us to do. We do things like crafts, melting beads, coloring, painting, and much, much more. We also get to work on projects for the Fine Arts Exhibit and Image Makers, which are national programs for the Boys & Girls Clubs of America. Both of these programs teach us how to use different art mediums. When we finish our projects, we get to submit them to the Boys & Girls Clubs of America for national recognition. Two years ago, someone from our Club won 1st place in a national competition for water colors, and this year someone won regional recognition for acrylic painting. Maybe someday it will be me. As you can probably guess, when I grow up I want to be an artist.

While I am having a great time in the art room, my brother is out on the playground or terrorizing in the gym. He is such a sports oriented kid. In the gym, his favorite games are dodge ball, capture the flag, run the torch and basketball. When he’s not in the gym my brother is outside playing soccer, flag football, stealing the bacon or just being a monkey on the playground equipment. He is such a good kid and always gets Kid of the Week. As it gets close to 6:00, another day at the Club comes to an end. Our mom will be here soon with our little sister and we need to get ready to go home.

As I arrive at the Club after a long day of work, I am immediately rewarded when I see my children. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley has been and continues to be a safe haven for my children to have a great time and grow. My kids have developed physically, socially and emotionally. The Boys & Girls Clubs have been a life saver for me and my family.
Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley has been hard at work raising funds to build new facilities on the Golden West College campus in Huntington Beach with the Building Dreams capital campaign. Once completed, this incredible project will serve up to 2,500 kids a year with nearly 70% of those kids coming from low to moderate income households, inspire generations of kids to go to college and help parents do the right thing - go back to school and go to work to provide for their kids!

The Building Dreams campaign is building momentum! In the last few months, more than $1.4 million has been raised from sources like the Orange County Children & Families Commission, Kingston Technology, Hurley International, Huntington Beach Firefighters Association, local service organizations and numerous private donors. This brings the current total to $3.5 million. The Club is tremendously grateful for the significant support shown by these community leaders! If you’d like to join them in supporting this innovative and exciting project, use the enclosed envelope to make a contribution or call 714-593-0753 for more information.

To learn more please visit www.buildingDreamscampaign.com

These are challenging times. Many local charities are struggling to maintain their supporter base and some are even canceling fundraisers due to lack of participation. Yet, Boys & Girls Club supporters rallied for the kids this October! More than 650 people came together to support Club kids at “Wishes,” Boys & Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley’s 31st Annual Benefit Dinner & Auction, and hundreds of local businesses and individuals contributed as sponsors and donors. Thanks to the generosity of these community members who realize that struggling children and families need their support more than ever, the Club was able to raise $385,000 to sponsor disadvantaged children’s participation in the Boys & Girls Club’s programs. We give special thanks to Kingston Technology, The Robert Mayer Corporation, JMG Security Systems and David & Angela Lee for their exceptional generosity, and we thank all who contributed to this tremendous outpouring of community support as volunteers, guests, and donors. With the help of these generous supporters, the Boys & Girls Club can continue to make children’s wishes for bright futures come true!
REVENUE
Program Related Revenue $3,852,802
Contributions $510,018
Special Event Fundraising $429,435
Membership Dues $62,192
Total Revenue $4,854,447

EXPENSE
Program Services to Youth $3,793,718
Management & General Operating $582,463
Capital Improvements & Repairs $218,334
Depreciation Expense $179,808
Fundraising $127,947
Total Expense $4,902,270

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MEMBERSHIP TOTAL: 8,087

program services to youth
management & general operating
capital improvements & repairs
depreciation expense
fundraising

program related revenue
contributions
special events fundraising

AGE OF MEMBERS
14-18 years 11%
11-13 years 23%
8-10 years 27%
6-7 years 17%
5 years 22%

ETHNICITY OF MEMBERS
Caucasian 43%
Hispanic/Latino 16%
Asian/Pacific Islander 23%
Other 12%
African American 6%

More than 130 trained individuals comprise the professional staff. Listed below is our administrative leadership team. Not included are our Program Directors, Preschool Teachers, Recreation Staff, Office Managers, Office Assistants, Bus Drivers, League Coordinators, Sports Referees, Special Projects Staff, Contracted Performing and Fine Arts Instructors, and Facility Related Support Staff.

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