



City of Merced Parks & Community Services- Youth Center Activity Report

Organization Name	Boys and Girls Club of Merced County
Organizational Mission	To enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible adults.
Activity Report Quarter 1 (7/1- 9/30)- Due by 10/15 Quarter 2 (10/1- 12/31)- Due by 1/15 Quarter 3 (1/31- 3/31)- Due by 4/15 Quarter 4 (4/1- 6/31)- Due by 7/15	Quarter 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Quarter 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quarter 4 <input type="checkbox"/>

Youth Center in Operation	27 th & K	McCombs	McNamara Park	Stephen Leonard
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Cost or Required In-kind for Participation (Indicate- daily, weekly, monthly, or annually)	
After School Membership	Special Camps
\$20 Annually	\$75/WK or Scholarship

Duration Program/Center was Open this Period		
Days Open for Programming	Hours Per Day	Total Hours
58	4	232
Special Events/ Camp Hours		80
Total Hours Open for Service in the Reporting Period		312

Participants Served Afterschool (unduplicated)	
At the Youth Center	293
Outside of Youth Center but in City of Merced (List Location(s) served)	0
Participants Served through Special Events/Camps	
At the Youth Center	278
Outside of Youth Center	252
Total Number of Service Contacts	
Number of youth x times they were served	530

Demographic Information of Youth Served Afterschool (number of youth in each category if available)						
Ages	Preschool age (0-5)		School Age (6-17)		Young Adults (18-24)	
	16		277		0	
Ethnicity	African American	Asian	Hispanic	White	Mixed	Other/ Unknown
	51	13	109	43	36	41
Zip Code of Participants	95340	95341	95344	95348	Other/ Unknown	
	55	91	0	36	111	

Staff Structure to Support Program	
Employed Staff	Merced=24/All others=32
Interns	
Volunteers	28

Success Narrative- please describe any progress your program has experienced over the reporting period. This could include experiences with member recruitment, facility needs, partnerships formed, funding streams acquired, the addition of key staff or volunteers, or success stories of program participants. This narrative should be reflective of the data presented on page 1.

Having the mayor visit the Boys and Girls Club of Merced County to read to the students and then engage in a game of pool with them was truly a memorable and special moment. It's a testament to the strong community support and partnership that the club fosters, as well as the commitment of local leaders to invest in the well-being and development of our youth.

The mayor's presence not only brought excitement and joy to the children but also reinforced the importance of education, literacy, and positive recreational activities in our community. By taking the time to interact with the students in such a meaningful way, the mayor showed that they are valued and supported by their city's leadership.

Moreover, the experience of playing pool together created a unique opportunity for connection and camaraderie between the mayor and the students. It fostered a sense of inclusivity and belonging, highlighting that regardless of one's background or position, everyone can come together to share in the simple joys of play and fellowship.

Overall, the mayor's visit exemplified the spirit of collaboration and community engagement that defines the Boys and Girls Club of Merced County. It left a lasting impression on both the children and the broader community, inspiring a sense of pride and unity as we work together to build a brighter future for our youth.

Barrier Narrative- please describe any barriers or modifications required over the reporting period. This can include any partnerships or funding lost, the loss of key staff or volunteers, or additional internal or external complications. This narrative should be reflective of the data presented on page 1.

As the attendance of children at the Boys and Girls Club of Merced County increases, it's natural to encounter new challenges, particularly regarding issues and employment. Here's how we might address these:

Staffing Challenges: With more children attending, there may be a need for additional staff to maintain proper supervision and provide quality programming. To address this, the club could focus on recruitment efforts, seeking out dedicated individuals who are passionate about working with youth. This might involve reaching out to local colleges, universities, and community organizations to attract qualified candidates.

Training and Development: As the staff grows, it's essential to ensure that all employees receive adequate training and professional development opportunities. This might include workshops on child development, behavior management techniques, and program implementation. By investing in staff training, the club can maintain high-quality standards of care and programming for its increasing number of attendees.

Behavioral Issues: With more children in attendance, there may be an increase in behavioral issues that staff need to address. The club could implement proactive measures to promote positive behavior, such as implementing clear rules and expectations, offering incentives for good behavior, and providing support and guidance to children who may be struggling.

By proactively addressing these barriers, the Boys and Girls Club of Merced County can continue to fulfill its mission of providing a safe, supportive, and enriching environment for children and teenagers in the community, regardless of the challenges that may arise.

