

BGCMW BULLETIN

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metrowest Quarterly Newsletter



Back-To-School

After a summer of fun, our Fall Drop-In Program is up and running again! Our three clubs in Hudson, Framingham, and Marlborough, offer a variety of age appropriate experiences for our Club Kids. Each day, the clubs serve over 700 youth through academic and extracurricular programming. This summer, campers participated in The Summer Brain Gain program that helped to bridge the learning gap between the end of last school year and the start of the upcoming year. After a year of remote learning and a summer of adjustment, our Club Kids are ready to take on the school-year!



Another Successful Gala

On October 21st, more than 150 households gathered virtually to celebrate our Club heroes during the 16th Annual Bids for Kids Auction & Gala. Throughout the evening, we heard from 6 year old Solomon, 7 year old Larissa, alumna Clarabelle, and our Board Chair, Cary Corkin. Three awards were presented that evening: the Michael C. Sullivan Memorial Award to Larissa Thurston, the Community Partner for Youth Award to the Foundation for MetroWest, and the inaugural Alumni Impact Award to Jordan Poirier. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped raise \$140,000 for critical programming. Missed the event? Check out the video at <https://www.bgcmetrowest.org/bids-for-kids-auction-gala/>



Look Ahead to Festival of Trees

After a successful event last year, we are excited to bring back our Festival of Trees & Holiday Craft Fair! This year, on December 4th, the Hudson Clubhouse will host this free, festive event featuring more than 50 decorated trees, wreaths, and kissing balls, along with 20+ local craft vendors. We are inviting the community to join us for a chance to win the decorated trees, wreaths, kissing balls, and more raffle items. We are excited for this opportunity to join with the community and spread some holiday cheer!



Tree, wreath, & kissing ball raffle last year.

BNY Mellon - The Alice P. Chase Trust and BNY Mellon is supporting our youth this fall with their academic achievement this fall. BNY Mellon and the Alice P. Chase Trust have invested \$25,000 in our PowerHour program - a homework and tutoring program that helps youth feel confident going into the next school day and promote strong work habits.

Donor Highlights



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Avidia Bank - Be A Champion for a Child Campaign - Avidia Bank has partnered with J.C. Jackson and 98.5 SportsHub for their Be A Champion for a Child Campaign, benefitting the Boys & Girls Clubs of MetroWest. Avidia Bank will donate \$1,000 to the Clubs for every defensive interception and defensive recovery all season long, up to \$30,000.

Massachusetts Medical Society and Alliance Charitable Foundation - The Massachusetts Medical Society and Alliance Charitable Foundation has supported the Club's mental health awareness for youth programming for the last two years. At a time when mental health and emotional wellness is so important, the Foundation has stepped up.

