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## LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT & CEO

Dear Club Champion,

As we reflect on the fourth quarter of 2024, I am filled with deep gratitude for the continued support and remarkable achievements that have shaped this year at Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston (BGCGH). With each event, partnership, and milestone, we are making strides toward empowering our youth and creating brighter futures for the next generation of leaders in our community.

This quarter, we saw incredible community engagement, including our highly anticipated Tootsies Holiday Celebration, which raised \$90,000 for our programs. The generosity of all who attended will make a lasting impact, helping us provide safe spaces, enriching programs, and opportunities for youth across Houston. We also celebrated our annual Rise & Shine Breakfast, where our youth voices, led by Junior Youth of the Year Leo G. and Club Alumni Tomari G., reminded us of the power of resilience and leadership.

We also had the privilege of hosting our Pulga en el Club Hispanic & Latino Heritage Celebration, which brought our community together to celebrate heritage, family, and culture in the most joyful way. Our teens enjoyed a fun-filled day with music, dancing, and food, and we were grateful to hear heartfelt words from our Board Chair, Pedro Caruso, who continues to inspire us with his leadership.

This quarter also marked a powerful moment for our teens at the Chevron Meet & Greet, as we kicked off the journey for our 2025 Youth of the Year program, supported by Chevron mentors. The mentors are instrumental in guiding our teens through the application process for the Julius Young Youth of the Year award, which is a symbol of our youth's leadership, service, and academic achievements.

As we approach the new year, I want to extend my deepest thanks to our donors, partners, volunteers, and staff. Your unwavering support makes these milestones possible and enables us to continue inspiring and empowering the youth we serve. Together, we are helping shape the leaders of tomorrow.

Thank you for believing in the power of youth and for being a champion of their futures.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin Hattery".

Kevin Hattery  
President & CEO

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## Pulga en el Club Hispanic & Latino Heritage Celebration

Our Pulga en el Club Hispanic & Latino Heritage Celebration was a day filled with vibrant energy and community spirit! Club members showcased their talents through stunning art displays, while energetic dance performances had everyone on their feet. The event also featured live music that celebrated culture and pride, exciting Lotería games, and delicious food that brought everyone together. We were inspired by heartfelt remarks from our Board Chair, Pedro Caruso, who helped make the day even more special. A huge thank you to everyone who joined us as we celebrated heritage, family, and community in true style. ¡Viva nuestra cultura!



## Thank You for Supporting the 2024 Rise & Shine Breakfast

The 2024 Rise & Shine Breakfast, presented by Kirkland & Ellis, was an inspiring gathering in support of BGC of Greater Houston. The event featured Junior Youth of the Year Leo G. and Club Alumni Tomari G. as co-emcees, as well as a powerful testimonial on resilience from Nikki Dupard. Board Member Chris Rector shared valuable insights into the Club's ongoing work to support youth in our community. Thank you to all who joined us in making this morning meaningful and impactful for our youth.



## 9th Annual Sporting Clays Tournament

What an incredible day at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston's 9th Annual Sporting Clays Tournament, presented by Troy Construction! Thanks to our generous supporters, we raised nearly half a million dollars to fund life-changing programs for over 50,000 youth and teens annually. A heartfelt thank you to our event chairs, Brant Baird and Michael Vinson, for their tireless dedication and leadership in making this event a tremendous success.



## 2nd Annual Tootsies Holiday Celebration!

We are deeply grateful to everyone who joined us for our 2nd Annual Tootsies Holiday Celebration benefiting Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston! Thanks to your generosity and holiday spirit, we raised an incredible \$90,000 to support Houston's youth. The evening was filled with dazzling fashion, festive bites, and a shared commitment to empowering the next generation. Together, we are creating safe spaces, enriching programs, and brighter futures for our kids and teens. Thank you for making this holiday season unforgettable—we look forward to celebrating with you again at future events.



## Celebrating Innovation & Teamwork at the 2024 Regional Sphero Challenge

Congratulations to all the amazing teams who participated in this year's Regional Sphero Challenge! Your innovation, teamwork, and enthusiasm made the event truly unforgettable. A huge thank you to New York Life for their generous \$15,000 donation in support of our mission, and to Whataburger for providing a delicious lunch to fuel our participants and guests. Together, we're inspiring bright futures through STEM! We look forward to cheering on the teams advancing to the State competition in March!



## Kicking Off the 2025 Youth of the Year Journey with Chevron

We're excited to begin the 2025 Youth of the Year journey with our first Chevron Meet & Greet! Our Club members had an incredible time connecting with this year's Chevron mentors, who will be guiding and supporting them throughout the Julius Young Youth of the Year application process. The Julius Young Youth of the Year program is the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston's highest honor, recognizing youth who exemplify leadership, service, academic excellence, and dedication to their Club and community. A special thank you to Chevron for helping our teens shine!





## 2024 Santa Project

Spreading Holiday Cheer through our Santa Project continues to be a heartwarming highlight that showcases our impact across our community. CW39 H-Town dedicated an entire one-hour morning show to a live broadcast from BGC&G's Santa's Workshop. Morning show host Maggie Flecknoe gave viewers an exclusive, behind-the-scenes look at the incredible generosity of our community—each gift dropped off ensuring a bright Christmas morning for our children. This year, approximately 1,818 members from all 25 Clubs participated, along with 93 corporate and individual sponsors. Your unwavering commitment to our mission has made this possible, and we are deeply grateful for your support. Together, we are a beacon of hope and opportunity for those who need us most. Thank you for making a difference and bringing joy to so many young faces.



## Usher Inspires Teens with Thanksgiving Service

On Thanksgiving Day, we were honored to welcome Grammy Award-winning artist Usher, who joined our Boys & Girls Club teens in serving meals to those in need. This special day was about more than just giving—it was an opportunity for our young people to experience the true power of giving back. Through this act of service, our teens learned that leadership is about uplifting their community, and we are grateful to Usher for inspiring them to lead with heart and make a difference.



## 12 Days of Cricket Brings Smiles to Club Families

Two deserving families from our Spring Branch and Buffalo Creek Boys & Girls Clubs were selected to participate in Cricket Wireless's 12 Days of Cricket, bringing joy and unforgettable memories this holiday season. Thanks to Cricket Wireless, these families experienced the magic of the holidays in a truly special way, spreading smiles and creating cherished moments. We are grateful for their generosity in making this season brighter for our Club families.



### Cristo Rey Boys & Girls Club Podcast: Voice Against Bullying

Tune in to the inaugural episode of the Cristo Rey Boys & Girls Club Podcast, where teen hosts David and Jacora, supported by Santiago, Trysh, and editors Michell and Ariana, tackle the important topic of anti-bullying. This podcast amplifies youth voices, sharing personal stories, actionable advice, and strategies for fostering kindness and inclusivity. Follow their journey as they explore meaningful topics, share impactful stories, and inspire positive change within their community.



### A Special Holiday Celebration with Tank Dell and Academy

Big smiles and holiday cheer filled the air as Academy and Houston Texans player Tank Dell teamed up to make the season unforgettable for our Spring Oaks Club teens. From shopping alongside Tank to receiving signed jerseys, our teens were thrilled and proudly wore their new gear the very next day. A huge thank you to Academy and Tank Dell for spreading joy and making the holidays brighter for our youth!



### A Magical Day at the Morefield Club with Jalen Green

What an unforgettable day at our Morefield Club, thanks to Houston Rockets Jalen Green for hosting a fantastic event filled with music, dancing, and plenty of surprises! Our Club members were treated to delicious food from Raising Cane's and generous gifts from partners like Dick's Sporting Goods, Adidas, Toys for Tots, and more. This celebration was about much more than just fun—it was about demonstrating the power of community, kindness, and support.



## Great Futures Gala

Save the Date! Join us on Friday, April 4, 2025, for the Great Futures Gala at The Revaire, led by Event Chairs Julie & Guy Koenig. This year's theme, "Launching Great Futures," celebrates the transformative impact of Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston. Be part of this inspiring evening dedicated to empowering Houston's youth. Visit website for sponsorship and underwriting opportunities.

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