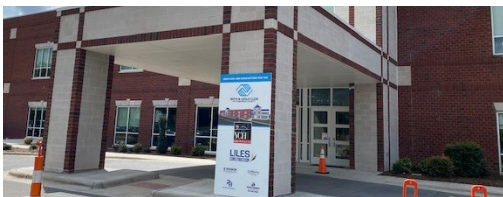


NORTH CAROLINA



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF CABARRUS COUNTY

Concord, NC (2019)

FINANCING

NMTC Financing CAHEC New Markets:

\$9.5 million

Equity Investor: Wells Fargo

IMPACT

- 94 construction jobs
- 67 permanent jobs
- Increases daily capacity from 450 to 750 and overall, allows the club to increase total services from 1,300 children to 2,200 children annually

COMMUNITY

- Poverty rate: 34.5%
- Unemployment rate: 16.1%

“The main reason we are doing this and everything we are doing is because of kids. What it boils down to, for us, we’ve got research to back up that kids that are in after school programs, they do better in schools, they have better attendance and they make better grades. So we know it helps.”

Valerie Melton, Executive Director, BGCC

The Boys & Girls Club of Cabarrus County (BGCC) is a 70 year old organization providing education, enrichment, health and life skills, and career programs to youth in Cabarrus County, NC. Due to limited space and an ever-growing need, the Club had no choice but to turn away hundreds of kids.

In 2019, with NMTC financing from CAHEC New Markets, the club was able to expand its space by 76 percent in a new, 29,112 sq. ft. facility that provides:

- A new teen center for high school students and expanded space for middle school youth. A performing arts room and stage that opens into a new multi-purpose area.
- Seven additional activity rooms - doubling academics and youth development programming.
- A cafeteria to expand food service and provide a hot meal year-round for all members.

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB EXPANDS TO SERVE HUNDREDS OF AT-RISK CHILDREN AT A TIME OF UNPRECEDENTED DISTRESS

The expanded facility can now serve all 22 Title I schools in the county (up from 17) thanks to the facility’s increased daily capacity from 450 year-round students to 750. Overall, the expansion will allow the Club to increase total services from 1,300 children to 2,200 children annually. Of those children, 80 percent of participants are considered low-income and receive reduced cost or free enrollment. BGCC has received federal 21st Century learning center grants to provide tutoring programs with certified teachers.

At a time when youth experience unprecedented levels of distress and danger, now more than ever, the community needed more space to accommodate children. Thanks to the new facility, hundreds of kids will have a safe place to learn and play.