



Special note from our CEO, Denise Watters



As we approach the end of the year and embrace the holiday season, I want to take a moment to acknowledge and celebrate each of you—the incredible individuals who are the heart and soul of BGCT.

2024 has been a remarkable year. Together, we've faced challenges, overcome obstacles, and celebrated numerous milestones and achievements within the Club.

Reflecting on this year, I am truly inspired by your steadfast commitment to our youth.

I can't thank you enough for your resilience and dedication. Time and time again, I am amazed at how we unite to create a lasting, positive impact.

As we navigate the holiday hustle and personal commitments, I hope you find time to rest, recharge, and savor special moments with your loved ones. May you return in the new year refreshed and ready to continue the important work we do together.

On behalf of the entire BGCT staff and myself, we wish you a joyful, safe, and peaceful holiday season.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Denise Watters
CEO
Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson

[El Tour de Tucson](#)

[Hockey Clinic](#)



Our youth had an amazing experience at this year's El Tour de Tucson! Whether they were riding, walking, or cheering us on, their energy and enthusiasm were truly inspiring.

A huge thank you to our incredible community, generous donors, dedicated riders, team captains, and especially our Board members. Your support made this event unforgettable.

We can't wait to see you all at El Tour de Tucson 2025!



On November 14th, our Frank & Edith Morton Clubhouse hosted an exciting hockey clinic for our community. The event was filled with fun, food, and unforgettable moments that brought our community closer together. We are so grateful for everyone's support and participation.

A special thank you to our incredible donors, innovators, EMPowerplay, Tucson Roadrunners, and Tucson Ball Hockey for their commitment to making this event a success!

Clubhouse Thanksgiving Celebrations

All our clubhouses came together to celebrate Thanksgiving with delicious dinners, fun activities, great food, and unforgettable moments. Our families had an amazing time, creating memories to cherish.

A heartfelt thank you to the wonderful volunteers who supported and dedicated their time to making these events so special. Your generosity and commitment mean the world to us!



Annual Meeting



Full of joy and enthusiasm, The Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson recently celebrated our traditional Annual Meeting! It was a pleasure to see our dedicated Board Members come together, mingle, and enjoy the evening.

We were thrilled to honor some of our esteemed Board Members for their hard work and unwavering support over the years. Their commitment continues to make a lasting impact on our organization and the community we serve.

Holiday Shopping Spree



Thanks to the generous sponsorship of Tucson Electric Power (TEP), our members had an unforgettable time shopping with \$100 to spend.

Welcome New Board Members!



This year, we welcomed seven new board members who are among the best, brightest, and most respected in their fields.

- ***Mike Kocsis**- Sr. Director of Strategy & Communication at Banner Health
- ***David Craig**- Managing Director at Canyon Ranch
- ***Robert Chorost**- Owner of PMR
- ***TJ Juskiwicz**- Executive Director for El Tour de Tucson

A special thank you to Kohl's for hosting us, and to the incredible TEP volunteers who made the event possible. Your support and enthusiasm helped create a memorable experience for everyone involved.

We can't wait to do it again next year!

Toy Drive Success!



We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to Tucson A List, Bill Luke Marana, and Junk King for their generous support in making our Toy Drive for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson a success.

Your kindness and dedication have helped bring joy and brightened the holidays for so many young lives in our community.

We also want to thank all of our supporters who contributed to this wonderful cause.

Together, we've made the season a little brighter for our youth, and we couldn't have done it without you!

Robert Ramirez- Program Manager at Pima Community College

***Keith Mahar-** Former Boys and Girls Club board member in El Paso.

***Tim Medcoff-** Managing Partner at Farhang & Medcoff

Advocacy Action Alert



We are excited to share that our CEO, Denise Watters, recently represented the Boys & Girls Clubs of Tucson and Arizona on Capitol Hill, advocating for the needs of the youth we serve. During her visit to Washington, D.C., Denise participated in a panel discussion highlighting the critical role Boys & Girls Club programming plays in closing opportunity gaps for Latino youth.

Denise, along with other advocates, personally visited Congressional offices, delivering requests for increased funding in key areas such as:

- 21st Century Community Learning Centers, which ensure academic success for young people.
- Career Pathways programs, which provide growth opportunities and mentorship to help youth succeed in the workforce.

There's still time to make a difference!

You can still make to your Arizona Tax Credit donation today! Your generous support will help provide opportunities for our youth, empowering them to create brighter futures. Don't miss out on the chance to make a lasting impact — donate now and make a difference in the lives of young people across Arizona!

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