EDUCATION & CAREER DEVELOPMENT:

Youth become proficient in basic educational disciplines, apply learning to everyday situations and embrace technology to achieve success in a career.

<u>Make Your M.A.R.K.</u>TM (Motivated Academically Ready Kids) This program provides individualized, educational activities in math and reading/language arts, and motivational incentives for successful completion of work.

Literacy 4 R Youth - This comprehensive literacy program for all members develops their reading skills by using three distinct daily sessions that include: Homework Help, Computer Lab support and Reading Group activities.

<u>Mentoring</u> - Our evidenced-based mentoring program is effective in providing youth with positive reinforcement and guidance to attend school regularly.

<u>DIY STEM</u> - Youth engage in "Do It Yourself Science, Technology, Engineering and Math" experiments to promote interest and awareness of opportunities in the various fields.

<u>**Career Launch</u>** - Members explore various careers. Youth learn skills that employers value to help set them on the path to future success for entering the workplace.</u>

<u>Money Matters</u> - Our teens learn financial responsibility and skills to manage a checking account, budget, save and invest.

<u>Kidzlit</u> - Through reading a variety of books, youth improve their literacy competency and enhance their cultural awareness and character development.

<u>TECH Centers</u> - Activities are age-appropriate in order to provide optimal hands-on learning experiences. Classes are based on four components: orientation and introduction to computers; academic reinforcement; integration and use for all Club programs; and technology specific programs.

Istation - This Internet-based reading program is designed for youth in grades K-3 and helps develop essential reading skills.

THE ARTS:

Youth develop their creativity and cultural awareness through knowledge and appreciation of the visual arts, crafts, performing arts and creative writing. Members also participate in talent shows and ethnic holiday celebrations.

Digital Arts Suite - Members artistic and critical thinking skills are enhanced in technology classes with projects in Web design, graphic design, digital photography, music making and movie design.

Arts & Crafts - A variety of classes and activities are offered in these areas, including seasonal projects and recycled art pieces.

CHARACTER & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT:

Youth are empowered to support and influence their Club and community, sustain meaningful relationships with others, develop a positive self-image, participate in the democratic process, and respect their own and others' cultural identities.

<u>Put Us on the M.A.P.</u> - Through this hands-on Multicultural Appreciation Program, members celebrate diversity while combating prejudice and discrimination.

Keystone/Torch Clubs - These small group-led service Clubs meet to plan and implement their own activities in areas such as community service, education, social recreation, free enterprise and leadership development.

<u>Youth of the Year</u> - This premier youth recognition program promotes and celebrates Club members' academic performance, values, life goals, service to the Club, community and family.

Junior Staff - These positions help members take responsibility for their Club by suggesting new programs and serving as role models and leaders.

HEALTH & LIFE SKILLS:

Youth develop the capacity to engage in positive behaviors that nurture their own well-being, help set personal goals, and live successfully as self-sufficient adults.

<u>SMART Moves</u> - Through this comprehensive prevention program, participants are taught how to resist alcohol/drug use and other risky behaviors through life skills, leadership development and peer support.

<u>SMART Girls</u> - Our pre-adolescent girls participate in this health, fitness, prevention/education and self-esteem enhancement program that encourages healthy attitudes and life skills.

SMART Leaders - Youth who have completed our SMART Moves drug and alcohol program participate in SMART Leaders which offers leadership and educational activities. SMART Leaders is designed to prepare teens to become leaders in their community.

SPORTS, FITNESS & RECREATION:

Youth develop fitness, sportsmanship, positive use of leisure time, skills for stress management, appreciation for the environment and social skills.

<u>**Triple Play</u>** - Members increase their daily physical activity, learn good nutrition and develop healthy relationships.</u>

Intramural Sports - Teams compete in basketball, flag football and dodgeball.

Swimming - Youth enjoy the Sixth Street Clubhouse's newly renovated Aquatic Center, participating in a variety of swimming activities year round.

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Report on Operations

July 2016 through June 2017

Income

United Way	\$469,847
Special Events	\$161,593
Government Grants	\$101,441
Public Contributions	\$89,576
Interest & Dividends	\$18,361
Program Income	\$29,248
Sales to the Public	\$1,427
Assets Released from Program &	
Time Restrictions	\$501,039
Club and Property Rental	\$15,278
Unrealized Gains/Losses	<u>\$75,187</u>
Total Income	\$1,462,997

Expenses

Salaries	\$717,987
Taxes/Benefits	\$166,383
Operations	\$197,606
Utilities	\$52,103
Maintenance	\$57,255
Insurance	\$41,805
Other	\$25,832
Depreciation	<u>\$110,212</u>
Total Expenses	\$1,369,183

Change in Unrestricted Net Assets \$93,814

Management

Program Services	\$1,097,026
Management	\$137,498
Fundraising	<u>\$134,659</u>
	\$1,369,183

Board Executives:

Jason Barnes - Board Chair William Rusty Seyle - Vice President Joe Posh - Vice President Mary Claire Megargle - Secretary Debra Mackin - Treasurer Diane Scott - Foundation Board Chair

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Our Mission

The Boys & Girls Club of Allentown's mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need us the most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens. By reaching children at an early age and providing positive activities and encouragement, our Club provides a compelling alternative to youth crime, gang membership, drugs, and other negative influences that effect our youth today.

Our Club programs promote the development of young people by instilling a sense of competence, usefulness, influence and belonging. When this strategy is fully implemented, self-esteem is enhanced and an environment is created which helps our members achieve their full potential. Additionally, our members learn to:

*Enjoy their interests *Nurture their talents *Dissolve their prejudices *Express their personality *Develop friendships *Build self esteem *Contribute to society *Achieve personal success

Locations

Sixth Street Clubhouse 720 N. Sixth Street Allentown, PA 18102 610-432-9323

Cumberland Gardens Clubhouse 501 E. Susquehanna Street Allentown, PA 18103 610-791-1113

Little Lehigh Clubhouse

671 Lawrence Court Allentown, PA 18102 610-437-6162

Teen Services Center 641 N. Seventh Street Allentown, PA 18102 610-434-4592

Turner Street Clubhouse 1302 Turner Street Allentown, PA 18102 610-433-0093

Administrative Office 720 N. Sixth Street Allentown, PA 18102 610-432-9944



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