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JOHN M. BARRY
BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF NEWTON

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

MISSION & GOALS

The John M. Barry Boys & Girls Club of Newton's mission is to inspire and enable young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens. The Club, incorporated in 1954, strives to help our members, ages 6-18, develop self-esteem, educational and social competencies, and a sense of wellbeing with a moral compass or code of values by which they may live—facilitated through the Club's caring professional adult staff who provide guidance and activities that meet the unique interests and needs of Elementary, Middle, and High School youth.

Vision

To transform and inspire the lives of Club members to develop their own set of values of hope, self-confidence, opportunity, self-esteem, and respect in a fun and safe environment in harmony with the communities in which they live.

Core Beliefs

- Provide a safe and secure environment for members to learn and grow
- Encourage and maintain relationships between members and a caring and professional staff
- Provide life-enriching programs as well as character development opportunities
- Create hope and opportunity

Values

Excellence

We set high expectations and work hard to achieve them by engaging in continuous learning and improvement.

Pride

Through the delivery of our programs and our engagements with kids and each other we are inspired by the growth and the positive outcomes achieved for ourselves and young people. We celebrate personal growth for all.

Integrity

We operate with honesty and hold ourselves accountable for all words and actions.

Collaboration

Trust, respect, and mutual support guide our relationships with each other and with members. We communicate in a nurturing, inclusive environment where everyone's experiences and perspectives are woven into solutions.

A MESSAGE FROM THE President of the Board of Directors and the Executive Director



Brenda Alpert
President,
Board of Directors



David Sellers
Executive Director

At the John M. Barry Boys & Girls Club of Newton we are very proud of and accustomed to sharing our successes when it comes to helping children and families. Youth come first in everything that we do and in every decision we make. This good work is seen throughout this 2022 annual report. Despite our track record for longevity and reliable delivery of services for children and teens, rare has been the time when financial success has been a topic worthy of conversation. Yet, thanks to a variety of circumstances and some outstanding leadership at the board level, our financial performance in fiscal year 2022 was extraordinary.

We saw the return of in-person fundraising events such as the Auction Gala, Golf Tournament, and Joe DeNucci Fight Night which were all held successfully, safely, and with strong attendance and donor participation. Our event sponsors and attendees at all three events were very generous even during these uncertain financial times. We thank them.

More than \$500,000 in Annual Fund contributions were raised this fiscal year. When we benefitted greatly from our now concluded partnership with the Boston Athletic Association and their decision to host the delayed 2020 Boston Marathon in the fall of 2021. Our charity runners met and many even exceeded our fundraising goals. They felt good about supporting the Club while also achieving great personal success.

Our Annual Fund, which represents the largest source of our income, saw good fortune as well. From top local corporate donors such as The Village Bank, McGovern Auto Group, Adobe, and the Janey Fund Charitable Trust who contributed more than \$135,000 to the Annual Fund; to individuals and other businesses who provided the balance of these funds raised, we are grateful to you all. Please see those listed in this annual report and be sure to support the local businesses that support our kids.

This success led our team of Youth Development Professionals to better serve our kids, both during the 2021 summer day camp program (120 campers) and the three program sessions (more than 300 active members) falling within the 2021 to 2022 school year. Through your support, we were able to upgrade three part-time program staff members - our Art Coordinator, Athletic Coordinator, and Teen Coordinator - to full-time. They joined the Program Director, Youth Engagement Coordinator, and Licensed Childcare Director for a total of six, full-time program positions dedicated to youth services. Because of your

generosity we were able to provide many kids with summer camper scholarships, Club membership at reduced cost for those in need, and to support the 26 children (grades K-5) who chose to enroll in the Curiosity Club program, a fee-based, state-licensed childcare and education center.

Funding from After School and Out-of-School Time (ASOST) grants brought additional mindfulness and STEM programming to campers and school year members of all ages. Every child is deserving of a world class facility that provides opportunities to explore, learn, and grow. Thanks to generous funding opportunities from ASOST and the American Rescue Act, we have been able to make steady improvements to Club's physical plant. From lighting upgrades in the gymnasium, to video surveillance system expansion; from the removal of our decommissioned oil tank to repairs of our slate roof; and from recent refreshing of program rooms to further development of our outside space, these physical plant changes support our kids and staff.

Funding provided by the Massachusetts Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, with the assistance of State Representatives Ruth Balser, John Lawn, and Kay Khan along with Senate Majority Leader Cynthia Creem, has been transformative. Watch for more capital improvements this spring, including the construction of our very own elementary-aged playground in the space behind the gymnasium and the expansion of the learning center. We thank the many generous supporters who helped our Newton kids. Thanks to you, The John M. Barry Boys & Girls Club of Newton not only survived the pandemic, but it also emerged from it stronger than ever.

GREAT FUTURES START HERE.

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President, Board of Directors

Dave Sellers
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Excerpts from Christian's essay presented to a set of local judges (unaffiliated with the Club) as part of his nomination process.

What has the Club taught me?



Persistence - To never give up no matter how hard things get.

A Sense of Community - How to work together with various people from different backgrounds.

Mentorship - How to be a role model and be there for someone who needs somebody to look up to.

Integrity - To be a part of something that is so much bigger than yourself and gain as much from it as possible.

These are all things that I've learned since coming to the Club.

Though there are times where I come to the Club just to participate in programming and enjoy my time, there have also been times where I really needed to be here. My life has been filled with inconsistencies and

the one thing that has stayed constant is the Club. But after coming to the Club, I've gained a home.

No matter what I'm going through, I always feel like the Club is there for me. Through the pandemic, I felt alone and disconnected. The only people that consistently reached out to me were staff members. This showed that the staff genuinely care about me. They are always open to talking to me and giving me advice and I am just so appreciative for them.

The feeling of belonging has always been a struggle for me. There have been few places where I really felt like I fit in, and the Club is one of them. There is a certain feeling of family, and from day one the Club adopted me into this caring community that is truly a family. This family has been nothing but caring and supportive towards me, and I will be forever grateful for how much the Club has done for me.

I'd love to sit up here and say that all of my problems have gone away, but that simply wouldn't be true. That's why I still continue to come to the Club every day. While things might not always go the way I want them to, I always know the Club is there for me and I want to forever stay a part of the Club community. Thank you.

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JUNE 2021

- **With Slings and Arrows Archery** returns to the John M. Barry Boys & Girls Club! With the help of On the Mark Archery, campers of all ages honed their aim at Albemarle Field and for the first time since 2001 a new archery champion was crowned!

JULY 2021

- In partnership with Green Newton, youth leaders and campers came together to create art designed to call attention to climate change and renewable energy. It was all part of the City of Newton's climate initiative called 4 Our Future. The beautiful recycled doors were painted up and put on display facing Watertown Street for the balance of the 2022-2023 school year! Mayor Ruthanne Fuller joined us for the dedication.



AUGUST 2021

- **Our Babe Ruth Baseball Team** won the city-wide Championship for the second year in a row! Did you know that the Club has sponsored baseball teams for teens continuously since the 1960's?

SEPTEMBER 2021

- **With Masks in Place**, we kicked off the 2021-2022 school year offering our usual slate of high quality afterschool activities with all areas in full operation.
- **Ceramics class** launched featuring both pre-made and from scratch clay projects that were decorated and fired in our kiln.
- **Teen Club** members were welcomed back to the Club with a special Glow Party! Neon bracelets, necklaces, and glowsticks danced around in the dark and black-light fun delighted as our teens danced and partied their way back into the school year.
- **Curiosity Club** had a "paws"itively great time hosting Officer Leo, Newton's newest canine copper and his handler from the Newton Police, Officer Lau.



DECEMBER 2021

- **Forget Paying for Those Fancy Paint Nights** when parents and members can attend at the Club at no charge for an evening of arts and refreshments. These interactive classes invited children and parents enjoy an evening in the Michael's Stores Art Center having fun and creating master works of art. Picasso had nothing on us!
- **Teen Music Makers Makers** is a new favorite of our teen members working in the Linda R. Plaut Recording Studio! Together with volunteer (and grown up Clubber) Ted Cullinane they explored composing their own music, such as hip hop, beat, and electronic, scoring, and writing lyrics.

NOVEMBER 2021

- **The Mass Monarchs**, a semi pro basketball team, hosted a free skills and drills clinic to help our kids shake the off-season rust and get tuned up. More than 120 boys and girls played basketball across three divisions at the Club last year. With masks and safety protocols in place, we had yet another healthy, successful basketball season helping kids to exercise regularly and learn the value of teamwork!

OCTOBER 2021

- **Outdoor Fall Fun** the John M. Barry Boys & Girls Club hosted two massive outdoor gatherings during the month of October to help bring people together safely during the Covid-19 Pandemic. Working with the PTO, we hosted Day Junior High School's back to school event with more than 300 kids dancing outdoors! When the kids were not able to celebrate at school after hours, the Club stepped in to meet their needs.
- **Halloween Hocus Pocus - Community Movie Night** Families and children of all ages joined us outdoors for a spooky big screen showing of the Halloween classic Hocus Pocus. Costumes and candy apples were everywhere and the three famous witches themselves even stopped by for photos and autographs.

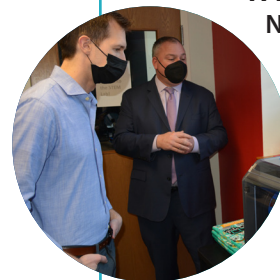
JANUARY 2022

- **College Students Mentoring Kids** Boston College Interns participating in the Pulse Program were a huge addition to the Club's mentoring team last year. These scholars are excellent role models who each brought their special talents and interests with them to spark imagination in our children.



FEBRUARY 2022

- **Vacation Week Fun** Parents can count on the Boys & Girls Club to keep their children busy and occupied when school takes a break. A full-day closed door program featured delights such as slime, life sized chess, Lazer Tag and even the Club's giant moon bounce! Where else can you have so much fun for just \$20 per day?
- **A Visit From Our Congressman** Congressman and Newton resident Jake Auchincloss, a longtime friend of the Club, stopped by the John M. Barry Boys & Girls Club of Newton with members of his staff for a socially-distant visit. Congressman Auchincloss worked hard to bring 21st Century Community Learning Center Funds to his district in support of children and families!



MARCH 2022

- **NO MORE MASKS!** With launch of our Spring Program imminent, it was finally time to take off the masks and get used to looking at each other's faces again! When Newton Public School lifted their mask mandate, we were so happy to be able to join them! Happily, despite the change, there were no widespread instances of covid-19 at the Club for the remainder of the year.



APRIL 2022

- **Basketball Marathon** A time honored traditioned returns! The basketball marathon, 12 hours of hoop heaven, featured a kick-off game between Newton Police and Fire and then more than 60 kids and alumni bravely played games simultaneously and continuously until 7 AM! More than \$6,000 was raised in support the Club's Athletic Programs! It was great to see so many of our grown up Clubbers come back for this event.

JUNE 2022

- **Awards Night 6/9/2022** Each year Club members are rewarded for the efforts, concentration, development, sportsmanship, leadership, and volunteerism. This is the time when the Youth of the Year is announced. While staff decide together who deserves what recognition, the candidates for Youth of the Year go through a set of rigorous interviews and presentations of their writing skills. They are judged by a set of Newton community leaders and that committee decides who best exemplifies the values of the Newton Boys & Girls Club. We distribute 10 Major Awards to deserving kids and teens with strong participation levels and a great set of values.
- **Field Trips Are Back!** With Covid-19 on the wane, we launched into summer with an action-packed summer camp field trip schedule featuring swimming almost every day and visits to great spots like Apex, Water Country, and Canobie Lake Park. More than 80 campers per session would sign up and financial aid would be provided to every single family that qualified giving every kid a chance for a few great weeks of summer fun!



MAY 2022

- **STEM FUN** Thanks to Anahit Vardanyan, a Boston College graduate student completing her M.A. in Learning Engineering, our female members participated in a STEM project that featured the construction of working electrical circuits. Learning from our members, Anahit gleaned valuable feedback for her project which helped her earn a top grade.



FINANCIALS

FY2022 Audited Financial Report Summary
July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

Revenue: Operating Fund

Annual Fund	\$506,000
Program Revenues*	\$272,000
Agency Support & Government Grants^	\$176,000
Special Events~	\$141,000
Facility Rental	\$107,000
Foundations & Grants#	\$79,000
Miscellaneous	\$14,000
In Kind Contributions	\$5,000
Investment Income (LOSS)	(\$57,000)
Total Revenue	\$1,243,000

* Net of discounts of Financial Aid totaling \$46,585 for Membership, Out of School Time, and Summer Camp

~ Includes Virtual Auction Gala, Golf Tournament, and Joe DeNucci Fight Night net of expenses of \$122,000

Includes Unrestricted and Temporarily Restricted Gifts

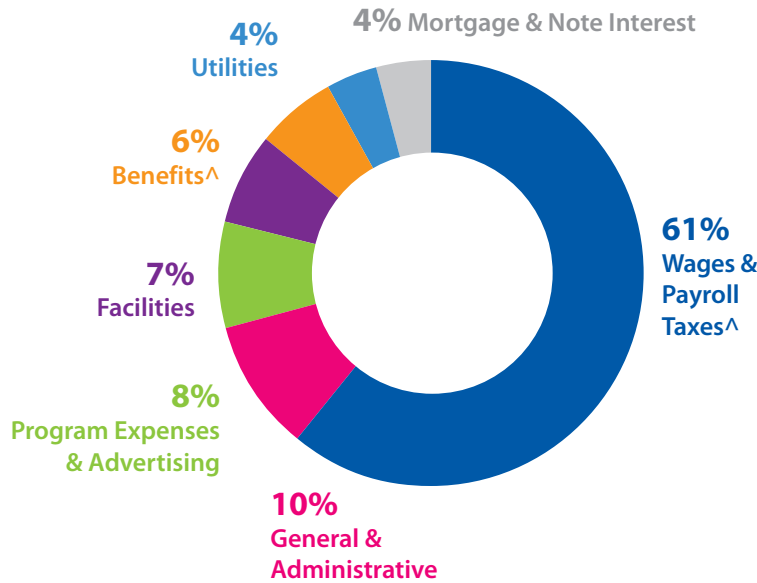
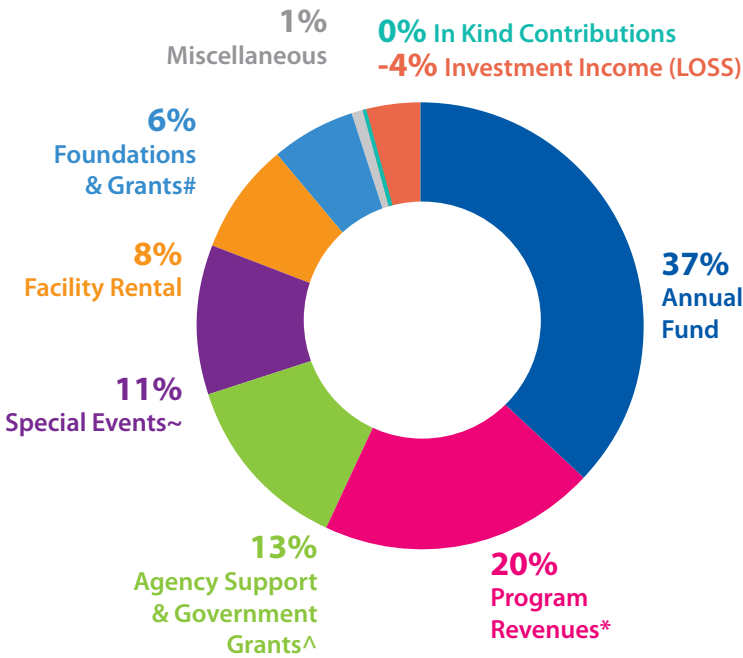
^ Includes United Way Specific, Community Development Block Grants, and Massachusetts Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs Funding, Excludes PPP Grants Forgiven (\$116,000),

Expenses

Wages & Payroll Taxes^	\$637,000
General & Administrative & Fundraising	\$105,000
Program Expenses & Advertising	\$86,000
Facilities	\$76,000
Benefits^	\$63,000
Utilities	\$43,000
Mortgage & Note Interest	\$35,000
Total Expenses*	\$1,045,000

^ Includes \$380,000 in Programmatic and \$158,000 of Administrative Wages

* Exclusive of Depreciation and Amortization of \$105,000



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