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BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**

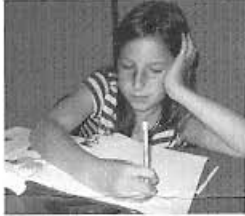
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July 29, 2008



Mr. Charles Murray
1610 Northgate Blvd
Sarasota, FL 34234

Dear Charles,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff and members of the Mid-Peninsula Boys & Girls Club, thank you for supporting our 15th Annual Golf Tournament held on July 19th, 2008 at the Crystal Springs Golf Course. The event was a huge success thanks to our major corporate sponsors, **Franklin Templeton Investments** and **CitiBank** and donors like you. Your product in-kind item donation is fully tax-deductible.



Proceeds from our Golf Tournament will directly benefit our USGA Junior Golf Program, which has enabled over 200 kids from our three clubhouses to learn and enjoy the game of golf for the past two years. Please find a donation envelope enclosed to help us continue sustaining and developing this Program.

A nonprofit organization since 1953, the Mid-Peninsula Boys & Girls Club provides challenging and interactive after-school activities for over 1,400 children daily ages 6-18 at our three clubhouse locations in San Mateo County: San Mateo, College Park, and DeLue at the Bayshore Community Center.

Thanks again for your support and we look forward to your participation at our golf tournament next year!

We will help you...



*Together...
we'll Succeed!*

Sincerely,

Daniel Dadoun
Executive Director



- 2001 Sustainability Award
- 2002 Children's Report Initiative Award
- 2005 Organizational 50th Anniversary
- 2006 DeLue Boys & Girls Club Grand Opening
at Bayshore Community Center

Happy Holidays! During this special time of year, we pause to count our blessings. We are grateful for our generous friends, donors and the precious children of our community. Your valued support has helped us touch thousands of children and their families. As you make your holiday gift list, please remember the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County and the children who need your help.

Unfortunately, there are children right here in our community who live without hope - children who never see the wonder of the world and cannot envision themselves or their existence outside the few blocks of their too often unhealthy environment. Children like Nikki:

Nikki tearfully recounted her story to the Club director - her parents' bitter divorce and custody battle, the lonely hours at home alone while her dad frequented bars, her problems in school and dangerous behavior afterwards, and the constant struggle for money. A scholarship from a generous donor like you brought Nikki to the Boys & Girls Club, the place she loves - where she could learn, grow, feel safe and find new hope and opportunity. Now a teen counselor and on her way to college, Nikki tells everyone the Club saved her life!

Without the Club, our kids would be forced to join the thousands of local schoolchildren who come home to empty houses every afternoon. Kids left alone between the hours of 3 to 7PM are more likely to make choices that put them in harm's way and jeopardize their futures.

The cycle of risk can be broken. Please join me in supporting Nikki and the many others like her.

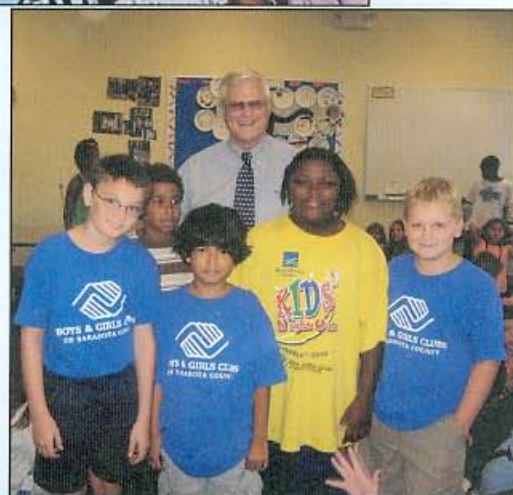
I am committed to providing more children in our community hope and opportunity through the educational and social development programs of the Boys & Girls Clubs. I would appreciate your help in ensuring that the children of our community have a happy holiday season and bright future.

With sincere gratitude and hope for our future,



J. Mack Reid, President & CEO

Your gift of \$100 or more will give a local child like Nikki a chance at a better life!



On March 10th the Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County opened its doors to Summer Camp registration. At 5:00 p.m., the day before summer enrollment, parents began to form a line and camped out for the evening to ensure that their children were registered into the Boys & Girls Clubs' program. Within hours of opening, the Clubs reached full capacity. Many of these families were not able to pay the \$250 summer program fee. The BGCSA **did not turn one family away due to financial hardship**. Now families in our community can sleep at night knowing that the Boys & Girls Clubs will provide their children a safe place to learn and grow.

Together, we can continue to provide this level of support!

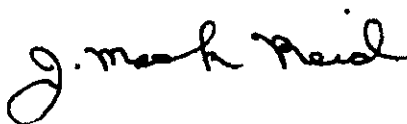
Josh and Rosa were on the waiting list for summer camp...

*"Their hard-working father had a heart attack last month; however, he's still working full time for a local bakery. Their fervent mother was diagnosed with cancer last year; but she continues to work part-time between chemotherapy treatments. Together, Josh and Rosa's parents make merely \$19,000 per year. Because **The Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County does not turn anyone away due to financial hardship**, Josh and Rosa have a safe and nurturing place to spend their summer days."*

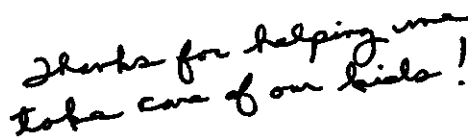
Of the 8,000 members of the Boys & Girls Clubs, 98% have no parent at home during the day. Countless studies have concluded that latchkey kids who are consistently without adult supervision run a high risk of substance abuse in their lifetime. They are also in danger of exposure to gangs, sexual abuse, and crime. Thanks to the summer programs at the Boys & Girls Clubs, kids like Josh and Rosa will be safe, engaged in life-enhancing activities, and cared for by compassionate adults.

I am committed to keeping our promise of never **turning a child away due to their family's financial hardship**. By helping us provide summer scholarships for those in need, you can help me keep our promise to these families.

With sincere gratitude and hope for our future,



J. Mack Reid, President & CEO



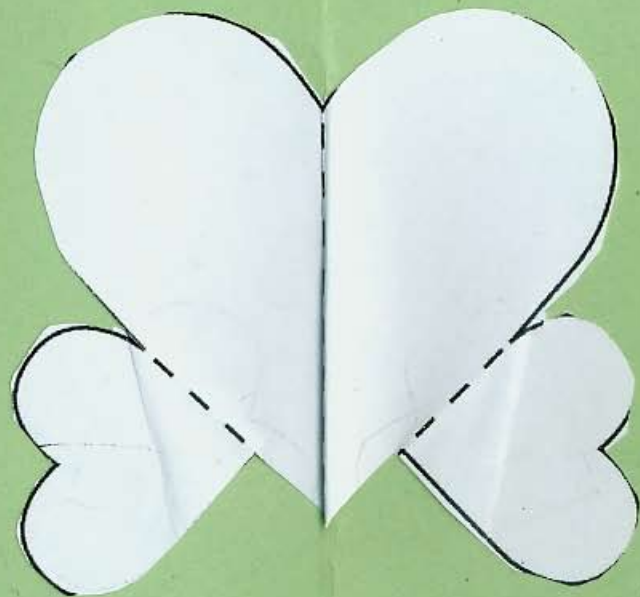
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OF SARASOTA COUNTY



Thanks

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Help!!

We appreciate

It!

Bernice

I love the Boys & Girls Club. I have lots of friends here. It is very much fun. Everyone is nice to me. Thank you for helping the Club.

Brianna age 6.

