



Knuckle News

June 2023

A Message from our President/CEO



As we bid farewell to another school year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the incredible journey we had at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County. It has been a year filled with growth, resilience, and unwavering commitment to our mission of empowering and enriching the lives of those who need us most.

I want to extend my deepest gratitude to our caring mentors including Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County Staff, school staff, faculty, and volunteers. They have all worked tirelessly to cultivate safe and nurturing environments for our Club Kids, their passion and dedication have been instrumental in providing a positive impact on the lives of the young people we serve. Together, we have been able to inspire and support countless children and teens, ensuring they have the tools they need to succeed academically, develop essential life skills, and pursue their dreams.

As I reflect on the past school year, I should point out some important milestones for our agency. Our one-of-a-kind Boys & Girls Club Programming was introduced to three new school sites – Sherwood, Standiford, and Woodrow; bringing the total number of schools we serve to 12. We also opened The Club, a space designed especially for teens, serving 6th – 12th grade students. The Club provides programs that engage teens and give parents peace of mind that their child is surrounded by supportive mentors and positive influences. One of the things that really sets us apart from other afterschool programs is the Boys & Girls Club three areas of focus for a great club experience – safety, innovation, and mentorship. We are incredibly mindful of the impact that adults can have on a child's life, that is why we are also very excited to be at almost 100 staff members, many of them working with our students directly.

Looking ahead, we are filled with optimism and excitement for the future. As we enter the summer months, our clubs will be abuzz with energy and enthusiasm as we embark on a variety of fun and engaging summer programs. Our theme, Retro Summer will offer our young people a chance to "travel" through the decades with new adventures, outdoor activities, and historical highlights.

While we celebrate the end of another school year, let us take a moment to reflect on the incredible accomplishments we have achieved together. The Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County will continue to be a steadfast advocate for our youth, empowering them to reach their full potential and become the leaders of tomorrow.

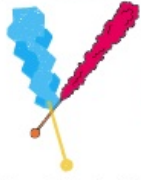
Thank you for your unwavering support.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Craig R. Orona".

Craig R. Orona
President & CEO

Club Activities



Sweet! Science

Our Club Kids explored the sweet side of science! This simple Rock Candy experiment was a mix of scientific processes and art. Students were able to make vibrant candy in various shapes, sizes and colors.

This experiment was ideal for our older elementary Club Kids to practice the Scientific Method and learn some basic chemistry principals.



Spring Break 2023

Collaboration is key when planning our Spring Break Camps. This year we partnered with fan favorites DrumLove, MoArt, and Planet Fitness to provide an exciting and creative club experience for students in K-12th grade. Our Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County Site Coordinators were creative in planning fun activities for all five days of camp.

From arts to science, everyday was filled with something new and exciting, keeping our Club Kids engaged in learning while having fun!



OUR CLUB KIDS HAVE TALENT

Who knew Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus kids had so much talent? We did! Our Woodrow Club held its Summer Talent Show & Tell Showcase for parents and guests. Club Kids performed songs, dances, cheer routines, and even some stand-up comedy. It was a great way for students to share part of what makes them so special! A huge thank you to our wonderful audience of parents and friends who supported all of our performers.



Staff APPRECIATION

The last week of April is After School Professionals Appreciation Week. We are so grateful for our Youth Development Professionals, Site Coordinators, and Program Managers for their dedication to serving students afterschool. Thank you Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County Staff for enriching the lives our Club Kids and giving parents peace of mind that their children are safe and cared for.



Agency Spotlight

Board and Staff Members

Meet Our Board - Mary Ann Sanders



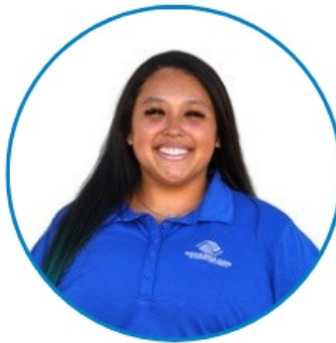
As a child Mary Ann loved school and for a majority of adult life she has dedicated her time and talents to championing students through her various roles in education. In 1994, she was recognized as Principal of the Year while at C.F. Brown, a site the Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County serves today.

Mary Ann is a founding member of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County (BGCSC), and currently serves on the Board

Directors and other BGCSC Committees. Mary Ann plays key roles in safety planning and fundraising for our programs. She also serves on the Board of Directors for the Stanislaus Office of Education and has served for more than 15 years.

Mary Ann's expertise in education coupled with her heart for community and student success has made her an invaluable contributor to the success of BGC Stanislaus. We are so grateful for her dedication and loyalty to our organization.

Meet Our Staff Tania Arellano



Tania is site coordinator for Sylvan STEAM Academy, she has been with Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County for a year.

Originally from Seaside, California, Tania moved to Stanislaus County to attend Stan State where she earned her Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice.

Tania is also a Boys & Girls Club Alumni, she grew up attending her local Boys & Girls Club's afterschool programs, camps and even volunteered as an adult. She truly understands the importance and impact one caring adult can have on a child's future and success. Eventually she would like to return her focus to criminal justice but since working with youth she is inspired to pursue a career as a guidance counselor.

Outside of the great work she does at BGCSC, Tania is focused on being the best mother to her three year old daughter, together they enjoy all things Disney.

News and Announcements



NOW OPEN!

For students 6th - 12th Grade



Activities

- ✓ Homework Help
- ✓ ESports
- ✓ Arts
- ✓ Snacks
- ✓ Maker Space

CLUB HOURS:
MONDAY, TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY: 3-6PM
WEDNESDAY: 1PM-6PM

924 SUNSET AVE, MODESTO CA
*LOCATED NEXT TO DRYDEN GOLF COURSE

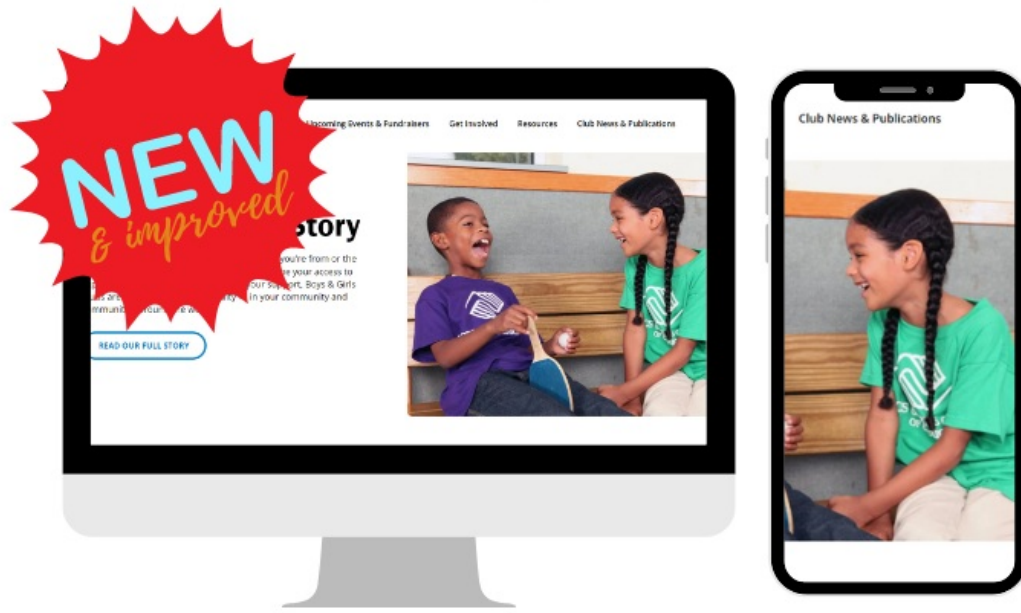
For more information email
RCalderon@bgcstan.org



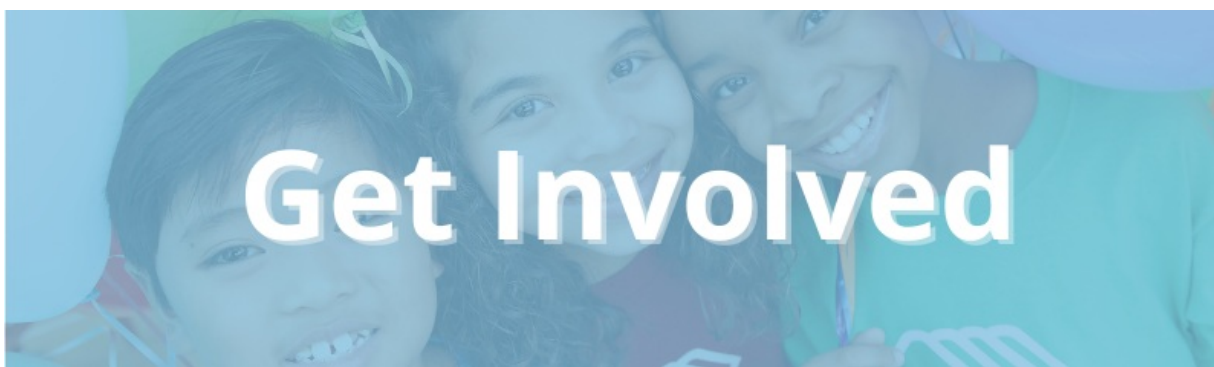
Register Here



Boys & Girls Club of Stanislaus Website Remodel Coming Soon!



National Boys & Girls Club Week is the last week of June. Are you an alumni, a parent, or current club kid who wants to share your experience? Please reach out to Christina Gusman-Meyers at cgusman-meyers@bgcstan.org. We'd love to share your BGCSC Story and feature you in The Blue Print for Great Futures Campaign.



Donate with Round-ups!
Change - the way you give



[Donate here!](#)

WE ARE HIRING!

- MEMBERSHIP & PROGRAM SUPPORT SPECIALIST
- PROGRAM DIRECTOR
- YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONAL

Find us on [Indeed.com](https://www.indeed.com)

Follow us on social media - click the icon to take you to our profile



Boys & Girls Clubs of Stanislaus County | 819 17th Street, Suite 300, Modesto, CA 95354

[Unsubscribe rbernal@bgcstan.org](mailto:rbernal@bgcstan.org)

[Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)

Sent by bycgusman-meyers@bgcstan.org powered by



Try email marketing for free today!