

HARLAN COUNTY BOYS & GIRLS CLUB



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2016 Annual Report

MOVING
forward



Ade Akisanya and Peyton Thompson, both age 9

"Around here, we don't look backwards for very long. We keep moving forward, opening up new doors and doing new things, because we're curious..."

and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths"

- Walt Disney

2016 Highlights

- Property purchased and cleared for Club expansion
- Record number of youth served
- Saragas, Haynes selected for statewide leadership roles
- Youth participate in Seed to Sale gardening program
- Daily attendance soars
- Cawood Ledford League inductees announced

Leadership

President–

Gail Murray

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Board Treasurer Leslie Adkins Howard with Unit Director Kendra Calhoun

From the President:

The Cawood Ledford Boys and Girls Club of Harlan County has great meaning to our community and the youth we serve. Just ask some of our youth and they will let you know that the Club is their “home away from home”, and that the staff and volunteers are caring mentors that are helping them to become driven and focused on a future that includes doing well and giving back.

Our Club is “Moving Forward” and continuing to focus on making an impact on our youth and community. We take pride in the impact our program has on families and the children of Harlan County. That commitment is strengthened by your compassion, concern and investment in these young people and their future. Our club is a unique, valued resource and it is in thanks to the donors and volunteers to this program. Thank you for giving opportunity to the youth of Harlan County.

Gail Murray,
President, Board of Directors



Asia Young, Board President Gail Murray, and Lacy Gross

From the CEO

What an exciting year for our Boys & Girls Club!!! After years of anticipation, we were finally able to purchase land for the second phase of our Cawood Ledford Club, a gymnasium!!! This gymnasium, which will be constructed directly behind the Club, will also hold a full kitchen and an eating area so that Club staff will be able to feed Club members much more efficiently. It will allow us to expand our programming significantly and serve more kids than ever before.

In 2016, we saw the population decline for the second year in a row. Families were forced to move out of the area to search for work. However, the Club saw a rise in the number of youth it served. Our daily attendance also continued to soar. The children of Harlan County do not only WANT to come to the Boys & Girls Club....they NEED to come to the Club. Every day, children are provided with homework help, a warm evening meal, positive activities and life-changing programs. However, the most important component of our Club is the supporting and caring adults who do everything they can to help children succeed. Thank you for helping us change young lives. We hope you will continue to support our mission and our work as we continue to move forward.

~Kateena Haynes



Executive Director, Kateena Haynes



Frances Sams is the Membership Manager and Feeding Program Coordinator at the Cawood Ledford Boys & Girls Club. She received her Associate of Science Degree from the University of Kentucky. She has worked with young people through Upward Bound, Southeast Scholars and the University of Kentucky Robinson Scholars Program. She and her 9-year-old daughter Jennie reside in Harlan.

In today's world, we are often faced with terrible news. It is at those times that I am reminded what a blessing it is to work at the Boys and Girls Club. It is amazing to witness the impact we have in a child's life. When you wonder if you really are making a difference, a child will come rushing in to show you their report card or parents may come in to thank you for improving their child's reading. Every day, we are working to help children who need us. It's a great feeling!

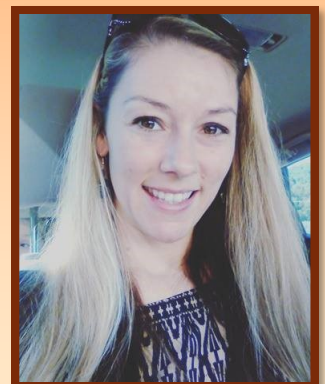
Brittany Cochran is the newest member of the Boys & Girls Club team and serves as the SMART Moves Coordinator, bringing drug prevention programming to hundreds of children in schools across the county. She is a 2003 graduate from Cawood High School and received her bachelor's degree in Human Services and Counseling from Lindsey Wilson College in 2008. She is married to Ben Cochran and they have two children, Addy (age 5) and Ben (age 7).

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." All our kids need is a little help, a little hope and someone to believe in them.

Kendra Williams Calhoun

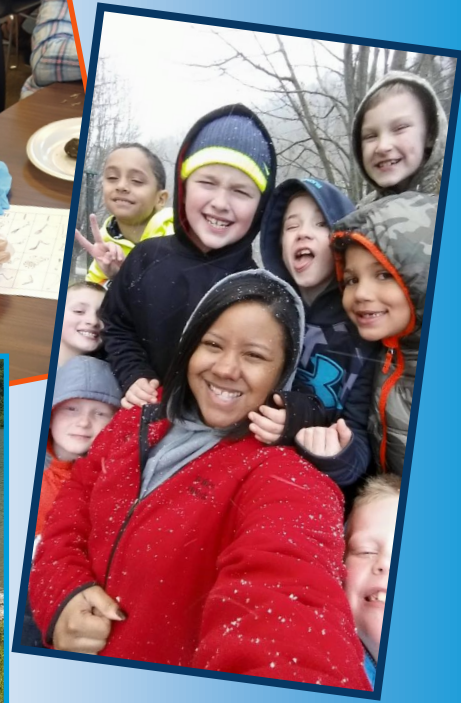
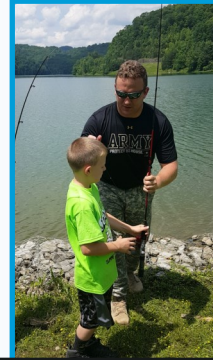
is the Unit Director at the Cawood Ledford Boys & Girls Club. A native and resident of Evarts, she holds a B.S. in Family Sciences from the University of Kentucky. She is married to Harold Calhoun and has a 3-year-old son, Kyrie. Kendra strives to establish and maintain positive relationships with Club families so that she can best serve the children who come into her Club.

I may not be able to change the world, but maybe I can spark the brain that will change the world. Our job is to light the fire of children who may be watching us.



2016 Cawood Ledford League Inductees

In 2016, the Boys & Girls Club announced its first two inductees into the Cawood Ledford League: Frances Ledford, the widow of legendary sportscaster Cawood Ledford, and the late Greta Adkins. Through the generosity of these two ladies, our mission has been furthered and the lives of many children in Harlan County have been bettered," states Club CEO Kateena Haynes. "We have been very fortunate to have these wonderful community-minded women support our mission," Haynes added. The Cawood Ledford League was established in 2016 as a means to recognize friends of the Boys & Girls Club who have gone to great lengths to help support and further the club's efforts to change young lives in Harlan County. Membership in the league is the highest honor the club can bestow.



Saragas, Haynes Named to Leadership Positions

Club Founder, Tommie Ann Saragas, and Club CEO, Kateena Haynes, have been named to leadership positions within the Boys & Girls Clubs of America. The Area Council is part of an important and powerful force in the Boys & Girls Club Movement. The Council provides the chief medium for securing and maintaining the interest and active participation of board volunteers in national and regional Boys & Girls Club affairs. The Area Council is frequently the channel through which ideas, suggestions and proposals flow to the National Council. Conversely, the Area Council is often called upon to implement the programs and initiatives needed to expand the philosophy and aims of Clubs nationwide. It is lead by an Area Council Chair and Executive Secretary assigned by an elected member organization for a two-year term. Saragas will represent the Harlan County Boys & Girls Club as the next chair of the Kentucky Area Council. Haynes will be assisting Tommie as the Executive Secretary for the Council. By serving in these positions, the Harlan County Boys & Girls Club will have an integral role in the statewide direction of Clubs.



Did you know?

The Harlan County Boys & Girls Club is the ONLY Boys & Girls Club in Eastern Kentucky.



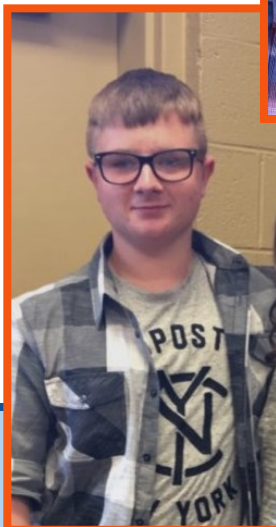
Seed-to-Sale

In 2016, the Harlan County Boys & Girls Club was a site for the "Seed to Sale" program. Children at the Club prepared raised beds, planted seeds, watered and weeded the plants, and harvested the fruits of their labors. Herbs, including peppermint, basil, and oregano were grown as well as tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, watermelon, cantaloupe, bell peppers, banana peppers and onions were grown. After harvesting, these herbs and vegetables were either prepared at the Club or sent home with the children.

Member Spotlight- Christopher Brown

Chris Brown is a sophomore at Harlan County High School and lives in Loyall with his mother and 3 younger brothers. He participated in the Club's sports leagues as a child and returned to the Club last year because he wanted to give back to others.

He states, "The Club has given me so many amazing experiences. I have been impacted so much by our kids and I hope I have impacted their lives as well. I love the staff at the Club....the employees are the most wonderful people I've ever met. They are so good to me and I couldn't ask for better people to look up to. I love being here. It's like my second home. I'm excited about the addition of a gym, but honestly the Club is perfect as it is. I love the Club and I'm so thankful to have it in my life!"



Volunteer Spotlight- Madyson Bennett

Madyson Bennett is a senior at Harlan County High School and began volunteering at the Club this year. She states that the Club has given her myriad of fulfilling experiences and introduced her to a host of remarkable people.

"I'm not going to lie. When I initially began volunteering at the Boys & Girls Club, I thought the extent of my responsibility would be to perform general housekeeping duties- preparing and serving dinner, cleaning the facilities, etc. I quickly became aware of this stark misunderstanding as the fruits of my service began to extend into every other as-

pect of my life.

I have gained a deeper understanding of my abilities and began to realize the type of impact I have the potential to make- the type of impact I want to make. The kids look to me as a source of inspiration and motivation, and my influence, I've learned, doesn't end when we lock up at 6pm. Members carry the lessons I teach home, sharing their experiences with family and friends and further actualizing my hope of promoting mindfulness and fostering unity within my community.

While I like to think that throughout the duration of my service, I've been able to positively affect members' lives, I'm in no position to deny the profound influence they've had on me as well. Allowing the Boys & Girls Club to play such a major role in my life has truly made me a better person."

The Boys & Girls Club provides a safe place to learn and grown, on-going relationships with caring professionals, life enhancing programs, and hope and opportunity. Programs are offered in five core areas:

- **Character & Leadership**- empower youth to support and influence their Club and community and grow as a productive, responsible citizens.
- **Education & Career Development**- enable youth to become proficient in basic educational disciplines, apply learning to everyday situations, and embrace technology to achieve success in a career.
- **Health & Life Skills**– develop young people’s capacity to engage in positive behaviors that nurture their own wellbeing, set personal goals and live successfully.
- **The Arts**- enable youth to develop their creativity and cultural awareness through knowledge and appreciation of the visual arts, crafts, performing arts and creative writing.
- **Sports, Fitness & Recreation**– develop fitness, positive use of leisure time, skills for stress management, appreciation for the environment and social skills.

The year at a glance...

933 children were taught the comprehensive Smart Moves drug prevention program in schools across Harlan

9,303 meals and 10,018 snacks served.

Staffing

- ♦ **2 full time and 2 part time youth development professionals**
- ♦ **2 teen interns**
- ♦ **65 carefully screened program volunteers from across Harlan**

40% of Boys & Girls Club members come from single-parent households.

76% qualify for free or reduced-priced lunch.

268 Registered Members

Males: 52%

Females: 48%

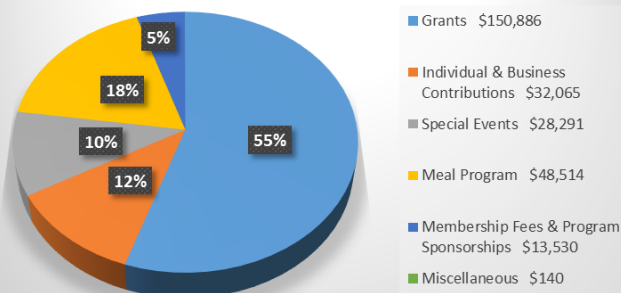
Age:

Through age 7	20 %
Ages 8-10	45 %
Ages 11-13	20 %
Ages 14-16	11 %
Ages 17-19	4 %

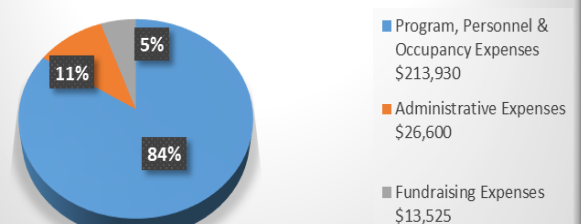
Ethnicity:

African-American	10 %
Asian	1 %
Caucasian	82 %
Multi-racial	6 %
Unknown	1 %

Income-\$273,426



Expenses-\$254,055



Bookkeeper: Amy Miller

External Auditor: Richard Scruggs

Previous years' audits, financial reviews, and IRS Form 990's are available for viewing at the Club. For more information, call 573-0960.

Champions (\$10,000 and over)

Renaissance Charitable Foundation (Justified)
 Kentucky Department of Education
 Kentucky Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, Inc.
 Harlan County Fiscal Court
 Boys & Girls Clubs of America

MVP's (\$5,000 to \$9,999)

Commonwealth of Kentucky
 The Boys & Girls Clubs, Inc.
 Boys & Girls Clubs of America
 Rite Aid Foundation

Coaches (\$2,500 to \$4,999)

Taco Bell Foundation
 Anonymous
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 Southern Wholesale Do-It Center
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 Central Baptist Church
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 Tammie Chapman
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 Anderson, Laws & Jones Funeral Home
 Kendill Caudill
 Commercial Bank
 Mark David & Becky Goss
 Mrs. C.S. Hendrickson
 Daniel & Stephanie Mosley
 Ronnie Shoope
 Bradley Sherman

Members (\$100 to \$249)

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 Adele Cornett
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 Rebecca Cope
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 Family Dentistry
 Donald Farmer
 Harlan Dental Clinic
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 Steve Hendrickson
 Henson & Rich Funeral Home
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 Mike Howard
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 Tommy and Shirley Clark
 Harlan Womans Club
 Patricia Bennett
 Dr. William & Kathryn Russ
 Harlan County Board of Education
 Harlan Health & Rehabilitation Center
 Robert Hauck
 Joyce Heck
 Lawson Trucking
 Mary Evelyn Rains
 Thomas Vicini
 Susan Saylor Yeary
 Ledford, Caleb
 Jerry & Donna Blanton
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 Devan Perkins
 Denise Pasquale
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*** Heritage Club Donors seek to ensure that the future needs of our youth are met by including the Harlan County Boys & Girls Club in their estate plans. This planning might include a will, charitable gift annuity, a trust arrangement, a real estate gift or a life insurance policy. Contact the Club for more information.

People often choose to give a financial gift to the Club to honor a loved one or celebrate a memory of someone dear to them. Contributions were made in the name of the following individuals:

In memory of:

Jayne Brock
 MG Smith
 Zina Ellis
 Glenn Greene, Jr.
 Eva Shoope
 Sidney Wayne Fee, Jr.
 Opal Cornett
 Eugene Goss
 Jess Mendez

In honor of:

Pat Francis
 Glenn Saylor

The individuals and businesses listed gave a financial contribution between July 1, 2015 and June 30, 2016. Mistakes can and do happen. If your name has been omitted or listed incorrectly, please contact the Boys & Girls Club at 606-573-0960.

Coming in 2017...a Gymnasium!

When the new Cawood Ledford Club opened its doors in 2007, it was close to perfect. It had a game room, an education lab, a fitness room, an arts and crafts room, office space, and a kitchen. However, there was one room noticeably missing....one that most other Boys & Girls Clubs have....a gym.

The Club's property was simply too small. It could house a beautiful 4,400 square foot facility with a small parking lot, but that was it. There were two rental properties behind the Club that would be perfect for a gymnasium. The board and staff alike crossed their fingers for years, waiting and hoping for these properties to become available for purchase.

One house became available in 2010 and Club leaders jumped at the chance to purchase it. The house was demolished, the land cleared, and then the waiting game started all over again. At the Club, cold, rainy days rule out the chance to play outside. On those days, 80-90 kids who would rather be hula-hooping, jump-roping, or playing a pick-up game of basketball, have to squeeze in the game room or computer lab. They not only wanted a gym...they NEEDED it.

Only one small house stood in the way of the dreams of so many. After six years, leaders were becoming discouraged. Just as hope was fading, the second property finally became available for purchase. Club officials swooped in at the opportunity. The land was immediately purchased and the lot cleared. Now the organizations board members are laying the groundwork to start a Phase 2 capital campaign to secure the funds to finally complete the Harlan County Boys & Girls Club. Stay tuned!

Contact Us

For more information about the services we offer or to learn how you can help, give us a call or visit us online.

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Board members Megan Donahue and Ron Frazier hold up the finish sign for racers to run through at the 2nd Annual Boos & Ghouls Club Halloween Hustle 5K Run and Walk