



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
OF BLOOMINGTON**

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BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF BLOOMINGTON HONORED WITH 2019 “League of EAGLES” GOLD AWARD

Bloomington, Ind. – Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington (BGCB) was recently honored as a 2019 “League of EAGLES” Gold Award winner. This marks the fifth consecutive year BGCB has been selected as a recipient of the national award through Boys & Girls Clubs of America. In fact, only 15% or less of the 1100-member organizations throughout Boys & Girls Clubs of America received this honor in 2019 - and even fewer are multiple-time honorees, making BGCB one of the highest operating organizations in the country.

“This award is a testament to the working organization of our Club structure,” said BGCB Executive Director Jeff Baldwin. “The simple fact that we have been honored five consecutive years is a compliment to our Board of Directors and their keen investment, service and engagement within Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington. I am so proud that the incredible efforts of our Board of Directors have been publicly recognized and highlighted by us receiving such an honor from the national organization.”

This award is a key element of the national organization’s Great Futures 2025 Strategic Plan to build strong organizations. The award specifically recognizes local organizations for achieving 95% or more of the Board Governance Key Performance Indicators (KPIs), which defines the strength of the organization’s Board of Directors.

BGCB received the coveted “League of EAGLES” Gold Award for achieving a set of standards which provide an outcome-based assessment of the Board’s responsibilities and impact for the Club. This award measures six key elements of a “strong Board of Directors” which include 95% or more individual board members achieving the following standards:

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| <u>ENGAGEMENT</u> | Engaged and attend Board meetings |
| <u>ASK</u> | Ask others face-to-face for funding |
| <u>GIVE</u> | Give back by making a personal financial gift |

<u>LEAD</u>	Lead the organization to achieving strategic initiatives and plans
<u>EVALUATE</u>	Evaluate their individual board performance based on a personal plan
<u>SERVE</u>	Serving actively on committees or task forces of the organization

This award is a measurement of the dedication and commitment of BGCB's Board of Directors and executive leadership in serving the youth of the Bloomington and Ellettsville communities at the highest level.

About the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington is an organization dedicated to empowering all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as caring, productive, and responsible citizens. The club operates three units serving youth in Monroe County: Lincoln Street, Ferguson Crestmont, and Ellettsville. Offering low annual rates, the club is a place where all local youth can safely learn, grow, and become the adults of tomorrow. Focusing on Academic Success, Healthy Lifestyles, and Good Character & Active Citizenship, programming at the Club is enriching and varied, led by professional staff and volunteers. To learn more about programs and events at the Boys & Girls Clubs of Bloomington or to make a donation, visit www.bgcbloomington.org, call [812-332-5311](tel:812-332-5311), or follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram!

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