



## About the Charlestown Club

*Youth inspire us. We work to inspire them.*  
Since 1893 the Charlestown Boys & Girls Club has been an essential part of the Charlestown community. Currently, the Club offers a safe haven to approximately 1,000 members, and serves hundreds more youth through our facilities and community outreach.

Our Club also has a Masters-level, licensed social worker who is an integral member of the staff and who is uniquely trained to help members with difficult situations or a crisis.

## Membership Information

We aim to keep our Clubs and programs affordable and accessible to accommodate more youth who need us. Annual membership rates are **\$25 for youth ages 6-12 and just \$5 for teens ages 13-18**. There are no additional costs for programming described in this brochure, except summer camp, which has a separate application process and fee.

For a Charlestown Club membership application please call the Club or visit: [www.bgcb.org/locations\\_clubs\\_charlestown\\_application.cfm](http://www.bgcb.org/locations_clubs_charlestown_application.cfm)

## About BGCB



### What We Do

Our mission is to help young people, especially those who need us most, build strong character and realize their full potential as responsible citizens and leaders.

We do this by providing:

- a safe haven filled with hope and opportunity
- ongoing relationships with caring adults
- life-enhancing programs

### Where We Work

BGCB currently operates five free-standing Clubs and five Shared-Space Clubs throughout Boston and in Chelsea. We serve in communities where the need for safe after-school, weekend and summer programming is greatest. BGCB also operates the YouthConnect program, in partnership with the Boston Police Department, and Camp Harbor View.

### BGCB Leadership

Josh Kraft, Nicholas President and CEO  
Jonathan G. Davis, Chair, Board of Directors  
Myra Hiatt Kraft, Chair Emerita  
Sandra M. Edgerley, Immediate Past Chair

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**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
OF BOSTON**

Program Year 2011-12



## Charlestown Club

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Serving Charlestown since 1893



# Invest in a child. Inspire a future.

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## Club Hours

### 2011-12 Program Year Hours

Ages Served  
6-18 Mon.-Fri.: 1-8 p.m.

### School Vacation/School Holiday Hours

Ages Served  
6-12 Mon.-Fri.: 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.  
13-18 Mon.-Fri.: 12-6 p.m.

### Licensed School Age Child Care (SACC)

Ages Served: 6-12  
School year Mon.-Fri.: 2-6 p.m.  
Vacations Mon.-Fri.: 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

### Summer Camp Hours

Ages Served: 6-14  
Day camp Mon.-Fri.: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Extended care Mon.-Fri.: 8-9 a.m. & 4-5:30 p.m.

### Summer Extended Hours

Ages Served  
13-18 TBD

## Six Core Programs

- 1 Arts** — We encourage our members to express themselves and build confidence through *art classes, trips to museums, cultural and holiday celebrations, creative writing, talent shows, Latin dance, drama, and music lessons.*
- 2 Education** — We help members focus on academics, college and career choices through *tutoring, science classes, homework help, standardized test prep, College Club, educational events, and career preparation.*
- 3 Leadership and Character Development** — Members develop a positive self-image while supporting the Club's community through *Adventure Challenge, Smart Moves, teen workshops, Youth of the Year, and Teen Rap.*
- 4 Life Skills** — We offer safe places for discussion about important life decisions through *Keystone Club, Torch Club, a community service group, Junior Staff, Girls' Group, and Boys' Group.*

- 5 Sports, Fitness and Recreation** — We promote healthy lifestyles through *basketball, hockey, soccer, touch football, baseball, dodge ball, kickball, weight lifting, sports clinics, intramural sports teams, swim team, and swim lessons.*
- 6 Technology** — Our Club promotes fluency in technology through our partnership with the MIT Media Laboratory and programs such as *robotics, YouthNet, a digital music studio, Computer Clubhouse, Tech Team, Movie Tech, and CyberSummit.*

## Features of the Charlestown Club

- Art Room
- Climbing Wall
- Computer Clubhouse
- Education Room
- Free Dinners/Cafe
- Games Room
- Gym
- Handicapped Accessible
- Library
- Music Studio
- Performing Arts Center
- Pool
- Pre-teen Center
- School Age Child Care Room
- Security System
- Teen Center
- Teen Education Room
- Weight Room

## Charlestown Club Events

Myra Kraft Opening Day	Sept. 12, 2011
New England Patriots Event	Nov., 2011
Christmas Tree Sales	Dec. 2011
Annual Golf Tournament	May 25, 2012
BGCB Marathon Team	Patriots Day 2012
Battle of Bunker Hill Road Race	June 17, 2012
Parent Open Houses	Sept. 12, 2011 and bimonthly

## Charlestown Club Leadership

Executive Director: Greg Jackson  
Director of Operations: John Killoran  
Membership Director: Russell Groggett  
Advisory Board Chair: John Iacoi