

## From the CEO

**I**t's been a remarkable 2025 for the Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle! We've celebrated milestones, launched innovative programming and transformed futures. With your support, 2026 can be more meaningful as we chart new, dynamic pathways.

Our donor appeal is in progress; we're proud that 76 cents of every dollar raised funds Club programs. This earned a "highly efficient"



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rating from Charity Watch. We're also thrilled that we've served more than 10,500 youths during 2025, a record. We're one of the fastest growing clubs in the nation.

Would you channel caring into action and let our youths know that you're investing in their vast potential? Your generosity will help continue a 95+ year legacy of equipping youths for careers, college and life – and you can even donate in honor of a loved one!

Please champion our youths by donating [here](#). Please also enjoy video of [several youths](#), as well as [Arianna](#), [Tyler](#) and a [parent](#), sharing why the Boys & Girls Club is vital. Best wishes for a holiday season and 2026 filled with joy and the knowledge that your generosity makes a lasting difference.

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## Holiday Showcase Spotlights Talents, Enthusiasm, Spirit



The holidays were special in so many ways for Club youths as the Boys & Girls Club displayed their love, caring and spirit at a variety of events – including bestowing **859** gifts to youths and families.

The Holiday Showcase at the Remington Clubhouse featured more than 100 youths in kindergarten through middle school offering festive songs and dances choreographed to beloved holiday classics, as well as an original poem. And more than 100 parents, family members and loved ones in the audience – as well as Congressman George Latimer, New Rochelle Mayor Yadira Ramos-Herbert, City Council Members David Peters and Shane Osinloye, and Westchester County Legislator Terry Clements – loved every bit of it.

Member Mikayla Williams, 13, took centerstage with fellow students to perform "All I Want for Christmas Is You" by Mariah Carey: They delivered a rousing rendition of the holiday classic. "We did our thing!," she exclaimed.

### Other events:

- 20 members of the Mascaro Teen Program enjoyed New York City's holiday heritage, taking in iconic holiday attractions such as the Rockefeller Center tree, the Winter Village at Bryant Park and more.
- The Mascaro Clubhouse staff celebrated the season and each other with great food, laughs and even better

company at Augie's Italian Restaurant in Larchmont.

- More than 20 Remington families decorated gingerbread houses, featuring creativity, laughter and plenty of frosting. It was all about working together, spending time as a family and celebrating the season side by side.

And the giving spirit of the season was wonderfully embraced. Gifts given included 272 at Remington; 125 at Mascaro; 167 at Columbus Elementary School; and 295 collected by member Ivan Ocegüera (story on page 2). In all, the holidays were meaningful, memorable and certainly special!

## Artistry in Action! Youth Draws Club's Holiday Card



Congratulations to Club member Catherine O.! The Trinity Elementary School fifth grader's artistry was selected from among numerous

wonderful entries as the Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle's holiday card! Catherine and her artwork were celebrated at an ice cream party. The



holiday card was printed, emailed and posted online, showing off Catherine's beautiful creation.

**Thank you and congratulations!**



## Listen Up – A New Podcast!



Thank you to the New Rochelle Chamber of Commerce for featuring Boys & Girls Club Chief Program Officer Will Iannuzzi and Youth Development Specialist Vianney Godinez, who joined the Chamber Chat podcast for an exclusive interview. They explained the Club's comprehensive teen and workforce development programs, including the police

career and culinary programs and partnership with the Mariano Rivera Foundation. Plus, learn about the firefighter, legal pathway and "green jobs" programs soon to debut. [Get the full scoop here.](#)

*Pictured: Chamber Executive Director Catherine White, Godinez, Iannuzzi and White's co-host, Matthew Ricker.*

## Thanks to Fandango, Club Youth Have a "Wicked" Good Time at the Movies

Thanks to a generous \$10,000 Fall Movie Theater Adventures Grant from [Fandango](#), BGCNR had the privilege to enjoy a special theater experience seeing Wicked: For Good. Moments like these are about joy, connection and giving our kids memories they'll carry with them long after the credits roll.



**Applications Welcome!** The Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle, New Rochelle Council Member Martha Lopez and State Sen. Nathalia Fernandez have unveiled a pilot program, "How Well Do You Know Me?," designed to empower young adults to serve as ambassadors for inclusive change by fostering dialogue, empathy and understanding across diverse racial, ethnic and religious backgrounds in the City of New Rochelle. The initiative responds to urgent social trends, an escalation in hate crimes and the rapid growth of racial and ethnic diversity among youths in Westchester County. Youths 17-24, apply here: <http://bit.ly/4nEqRji>

## Help Us Build Great Futures



Every day, BGCNR offers Westchester kids and teens a safe place to learn and grow, ongoing relationships with caring adult professionals, life-changing programs and experiences. Please support us via the [BGCNR General Fund](#) or email [acuevas@bgcnr.org](mailto:acuevas@bgcnr.org).



## Teen Galvanizes Gift Drive for Hospitalized Children

The Boys & Girls Club is so proud of Mascaro Clubhouse member Ivan Oceguera, a New Rochelle High School 11th grader, who spearheaded a Holiday Toy Drive to support children at Maria

Fareri Children's Hospital. His efforts were incredibly rewarding – he collected 295 gifts for kids! **Congratulations, Ivan.** Way to go! And thank you for your giving spirit!



## BGCNR Float Graces Thanksgiving Parade

BGCNR showed up in full spirit at the New Rochelle Thanksgiving Day Parade, hosted by the [New Rochelle Chamber of Commerce](#)! The Club brought the energy and celebrated community while

marching down North Avenue. It was a morning filled with smiles, gratitude and New Rochelle pride. A **huge thank you** to the Chamber for such a fun and festive event!

## About Boys & Girls Club of New Rochelle



For 95 years, BGCNR has offered quality, achievement-driven programming encompassing academics, mental wellness, fitness, leadership and civics. It is Westchester's leader in youth development, serving over 10,000 youths annually at 12 school sites and two clubhouses.