



# 2016 Teen Pathways Report

The 2015-16 Teen Pathways program helped over 250 teens complete a variety of activities focused on Academic Success, Good Character & Citizenship and Healthy Lifestyles.

## Academic Success

- **260 middle and high school students** participated in our day-long Career Expo to explore college and career options for their future.
- **189 teens** received homework assistance and academic enrichment activities through Power Hour and Project Learn programming.
- **6 teen leaders** facilitated the Diplomas2Degrees program and workshops, serving **50 of their peers** as they focused on topics such as “What are the options for higher education?” and “Paying for higher education.”
- **50 teens** were engaged in Career Launch programming, focusing on career preparation and skill building. All participants completed job shadowing at Old Navy, developed resumes, and staged mock interviews.
- **7 teens** completed a paid Summer Internship at the Clubs.
- **4 teens** were awarded college scholarship funds through BGCMC.



## Measuring Impact:

- **100% of teen members are on track to progress to the next grade level.**
- **76%** of participants expect they will achieve a year college degree or higher\*
- 2016 Career Expo Survey Results from **260 middle and high school participants**:
  - 100%** said the Expo increased their belief that the community supports their success.
  - 80%** - have an idea of the career type they want to obtain.
  - 91%** - know what steps are needed to take to have a successful career.

**“I learned that working hard is important in order to get into and stay in college “**  
- Lilly Z., age 12

## Good Character & Citizenship

- **10 youth** served as Keystone Club leaders, the Clubs’ most advanced youth leadership program, culminating in a Club-wide project to support Relay for Life in Salinas.
- **42 youth** developed leadership skills and teamwork through Torch Club, the Clubs’ youth leadership program for “tween” members.
- Teen Nights at the Clubs engaged **60 youth** in positive and pro-social activities.



## Measuring Impact:

- **97%** of participants were not arrested in the last 12 months\*
- **93%** of participants believe they were satisfied or better in their personal leadership development\*
- **89%** of participants believe they feel a sense of responsibility and concern for their community\*

**"I've never had a bully incident but I feel better now about coming forward if I did."**  
-Tanya O., Teen Member

## Healthy Lifestyles

- **21 youth** participated in Positive Sprouts and supported the maintenance of the Salinas Clubhouse garden, working with younger Club Members and partnering with Taylor Farms volunteers.
- **172 participants** were engaged in recreation activities through Triple Play programming and Sports Leagues such as Flag Football, Basketball, and Soccer.
- The Passport to Manhood program challenged **59 teens** to improve their communication, build self-awareness and demonstrate respect.
- **76 teens** focused on gang resistance and violence prevention through Street SMART programming.
- **39 participants** developed a more positive self image through SMART Girls programming.
- **53 participants** developed financial literacy skills through Money Matters programming.



## Measuring Impact

- **97%** abstained from drinking in the last 12 months\*
- **97%** abstained from marijuana use in the last 12 months\*
- **98%** abstained from cigarette use in the last 12 months\*
- **97%** abstained from sexual activity in the last 12 months\*

\*= Survey Data from Annual National Youth Outcomes Initiative Survey (101 total participants surveyed).

"SMART Girls was a lot of fun. I did not know what to expect, but I'm glad I gave it a try."  
-Esmerelda C., Teen Member

## Meet Our Teens:



My name is Yaeli and I have been a member of the Boys & Girls Club of Monterey County since 2008. In all my years of attending the Club I have developed many skills that I plan to use in the future. Through my involvement in leadership clubs such as Torch Club, Keystone, and Girls' Health in Girls' Hands I have had the opportunity to learn how to collaborate effectively with others and run a campaign from start to finish. I have used the leadership skills I have gained from BGCMC while running the Latino Club at school. Becoming president of Latino Club my sophomore year helped me grow confidence with public speaking and gain new leadership skills. After graduating high school I will attend a four year college and major in math. My goal is to become a math teacher and become a mentor to young girls in my community.



Our Keystone President and 2015 Salinas Clubhouse Youth of the Year, Xavier, spoke to our members and parents on the topic "Who Is On Your Team" at a special workshop at the Club. Focused on the importance of having a mentor, Xavier shared his personal path to college and how he achieved his success through the Boys & Girls Club. The parents had many questions for Xavier and left feeling more informed. The younger members left the presentation feeling inspired and wanted to begin the college process with a good mentor.

## 2016-2017 Impact Focus: The Year of the Teen

- Host monthly Teen nights, outreach with local high schools to engage more teens, and collaborate with other local youth/teen partners.
- Reduce Club membership dues for teens to \$10/year.
- Increase average daily attendance of Teens by 5%.

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