



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
OF EASTERN PIEDMONT  
ORANGE COUNTY UNIT**

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January 20, 2010

Mayor Kleinschmidt and Members of the Chapel Hill Town Council  
405 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.  
Chapel Hill, NC 27514

**Re: Boys and Girls Club in Chapel Hill**

Dear Mayor Kleinschmidt and Chapel Hill Town Council,

On behalf of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Eastern Piedmont – Orange County Unit, we would like to formally petition you to discuss the possibility of working with the Town of Chapel Hill to use two vacant, Town-owned lots on Johnson Street (PIN 9788-03-1930 and 9788-03-1990) to open Chapel Hill's first Boys and Girls Club. Our organization is fully chartered by Boys and Girls Clubs of America to open clubs in Orange, Chatham and Person Counties.

We are petitioning you for the use of these lots, as we have already made arrangements to use the Pine Knolls Community Center adjacent to the Town-owned lots. The Pine Knolls Community Center is in the ideal location for a Boys and Girls Club, but it is not large enough to accommodate the number of children we expect to serve. As such, we hope to expand the existing center, utilizing the Town-owned lots for a modular trailer we plan to purchase until such time as we can raise the necessary funds to construct a permanent building. We have discussed our proposal with the Planning Department and understand that there are several issues we will need to address in our rezoning and Special Use Permit application. However, given the support of our club by the neighborhood residents and the Lincoln Center, we strongly believe we can address these issues sufficiently.

As you know, Chapel Hill and Carrboro have a number of excellent after-school and youth programs. However, these programs do not specifically target the at-risk youth in our community or the services that they require. The Boys and Girls Club will be affordable even for low-income families. Club membership will cost between \$10 and \$20 per member per year! In addition, the Club will be open every day after school, on weekends and in the summer. We truly believe that Chapel Hill needs a Boys and Girls Club, and we look forward to serving the community for years to come.

Very Truly Yours,

Lawrence E. Sanders, Sr., PMP  
Board President, BGCEP - Orange County Unit



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Our goal is to open Chapel Hill's first Boys & Girls Club by the beginning of the 2010-2011 school year, but we need your help.

We have embarked on our Founder's Campaign to raise \$250,000 to prepare our facility, purchase the necessary educational and recreational equipment, and hire employees to run the club.

We are in the process of applying for the necessary permits to renovate and open in the Pine Knolls Community Center on Johnson Street off Merritt Mill Road. It is the ideal location for a Boys & Girls Club, as it is easily accessible to transit and located in the community that needs it most.

It will truly be The Positive Place for Kids.

## The Positive Place For Kids

Mail all donations to:  
 The Boys & Girls Club  
 of Eastern Piedmont  
 Orange Unit  
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 Orange Unit  
 P.O. Box 2201  
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## BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF EASTERN PIEDMONT ORANGE UNIT



### Boys & Girls Clubs offer five core areas of learning:

- ◆ Character and Leadership Development
- ◆ Education and Career Development
- ◆ Sports, Fitness & Recreation
- ◆ Health and Life Skills
- ◆ The Arts



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**ORANGE UNIT** will open a club in Chapel Hill.  
 You can make the difference in your community by  
 contributing generously, today.



## Boys & Girls Clubs have been in existence since 1860.

**OUR VISION:** To empower and enable all youth, especially from challenging circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, caring adults.

**OUR MISSION:** To provide school age children and youth of Greater Orange County with a professionally supervised, consistent environment where they are safe, equally accepted and able to participate in goal oriented programs that enhance their self esteem and assist them to achieve their full potential.

**OUR PURPOSE:** To instill a sense of competence, a sense of belonging and a sense of having power and influence, especially over their own lives as well as in the community.

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Hidden in the shadows of one of the nation's most revered public Universities and most prosperous small towns is a danger faced by all communities: an eroding middle class and an inadequate support system for children, our most vulnerable citizens.

Did you know that there are over 600 families in Chapel Hill living on less than \$15,000 per year? Across the nation, Boys and Girls Clubs work to assure that these children have fun, safe, convenient and affordable place to go after school. We are working to bring these vital services to Chapel Hill.

Chapel Hill has lots of after-school programs that cater to the large affluent community that calls Chapel Hill home. And while these organizations have great programming, they are out of reach of many of Chapel Hill's students that need them the most, by charging hundreds of dollars per month.

A Boys and Girls Club will cost these children around \$10 - \$20 per year and offer a wide range of services and activities, including tutoring, drug and gang prevention, athletic opportunities, and health and fitness education. From a 2008 impact study from the Boys and Girls Clubs of America:

- Club youth are more likely to attend college than the overall U.S. population.
- 67% of Club alumni say it helped them avoid drugs and alcohol
- 80% of Club alumni say it taught them about health and fitness
- 85% of Club alumni say the staff members taught them right from wrong

**52% of Club alumni say it SAVED THEIR LIVES!**

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## BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF EASTERN PIEDMONT ORANGE UNIT

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 \$500  \$250  \$100

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*Make all checks payable to the Boys & Girls Club of Eastern  
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