



## **BOYS & GIRLS CLUB**

With a heavy heart, we report that both Clubs remain closed in accordance with the CDC and public health officials. Boys & Girls Clubs of El Campo and Palacios (BGCEC/BGCP) has temporarily suspended in-person programming that brings kids together in groups; however, we are still providing creative solutions to reach out to our members. The Clubs would like to provide these services to the community through alternative delivery models in a safe and effective way. .

BGCEC/BGCP is providing virtual resources to engage youth to help our families and youth get through this crisis. We will post weekly updates on our Facebook pages. Staff is contacting parents to check on our youth and obtain email addresses.

- Clubs will be emailing out weekly newsletters to our parents. The newsletters will contain activities, educational sites, art projects, YouTube videos, and other resources available.
- First Books has granted a free online library to Club members and free educational sites. Once we obtain the links and pins we will be giving them out to our members. First Books also has awarded the Palacios Club funds for books. The books will be handed out to member's parents when the order comes.
- Wingo's Pub has awarded the El Camp Club funds to start book clubs as well as supportive measures at this time. The Club will be purchasing books for our members and a subscriptions to Book Taco which has fun games for the books being chosen.
- Boys & Girls Club of America has a virtual program MyFuture.net. MyFuture is a mobile-friendly and safe social platform with access to over 125 activities in areas such as STEM, leadership and the arts. With MyFuture, kids and teens can learn new skills, connect with their friends, and earn recognition and rewards in a safe and fun online environment. Contact your local Club to get signed up on MyFuture.net.
- Clubs are providing take home packets given out once a week containing at home projects from coloring pages, art projects, STEM projects, crayons (thank you Rick Martinez), and educational sheets. Dates and times are to be given.

While our service delivery model has been modified in the short term, we will continue to support our youth and community. We miss our youth and families greatly. We thank our sponsors and partners for it is through your support we are still able to serve. Our prayer is that America continues to work together as we get through this storm. Take care and God bless. Psalms 91 God is my refuge and my fortress.....

Sincerely,

Jill Hearne, CEO