



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
OF AMERICA**

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**Boys & Girls Clubs of Durham and Orange Counties (BGCDOC) Recognized as “Top 5 Club in the Southeast US Region” and “Best in North Carolina” in 2022 Survey Results**

ATLANTA – Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA) is proud to recognize the Boys & Girls Clubs of Durham and Orange Counties (BGCDOC) for its exceptional outcomes in providing an optimal Club experience to its members in 2022. BGCDOC also received this recognition in 2021. The recognition is determined through the collection and evaluation of data from National Youth Outcomes Initiative (NYOI) survey, a questionnaire in which youth Club members asked to rate all aspects of their Club experience, including but not limited to: safe, positive environment, supportive relationships, fun and belonging, recognition, and opportunities and expectations.

Statement from Jim Straight, Director of Organizational Development – Southeast with BGCA:

*“Congratulations to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Durham and Orange Counties! The national office credits and celebrates CEO Jerome Levisy and his team for their willingness to help our Movement continue down the path of offering impactful experiences for the youth, staff, and families we serve across the region and across the nation. Our Youth Development team is eager to learn from the staff at BGCDOC and study what they are doing to achieve survey results for two years in a row that were the best of all Boys & Girls Clubs in North Carolina and in the top 5 of all Clubs its size in the southeast US region that were surveyed.”*

Statement from Jerome Levisy, CEO of BGCDOC:

*“Our organization is humbled and honored to receive this national recognition for the second year running. It is a clear testament to the hard work and dedication of the youth development professionals on our team. I want to especially recognize and thank two leaders in our organization - Regina Lindsay and Charlotte Makoyo - for everything that they do to daily invest in training Club staff, implementing programs, evaluating our mission delivery, and overseeing our Club operations in Durham and Chapel Hill, respectively. We are excited to continue delivering an optimal Club experience in 2023 and beyond.”*

**The Mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of Durham and Orange Counties**

To inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring and responsible citizens.

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