Our Hope for the Future

The Boys Hope Girls Hope Campaign
To Empower & Nurture Success
“Boys Hope provided me with an education and life experience that empowered me to be committed to something larger than myself.”

— Jey, Class of 2009

Since 1989, Boys Hope Girls Hope has provided STABILITY, SUPPORT AND SCHOLARSHIPS to bright and motivated children-in-need throughout Northeast Ohio.

Our Academy, Residential and Collegiate programs deliver transformational opportunities rooted in a 16-year relationship designed to systematically counteract the adverse developmental affects of poverty on high-potential children in Cleveland & Akron.
Introducing OUR HOPE FOR THE FUTURE

The $5.5M Our Hope for the Future Campaign will ensure success to generations of high-potential children facing long odds due to poverty and lack of opportunity. The centerpiece of our campaign is a 4,500 square-foot Academy Center designed around the belief that all scholars deserve a place to work on their dreams each day. Our architectural plans include art and music rooms, a science lab, library and study areas, counseling space and open spaces for scholars to empower each other while developing lifelong relationships.

The new Academy Center is complemented by plans to expand and renovate a vast gymnasium adjacent to our campus. The redesigned grounds and parking will be a true "Campus of Hope," including a courtyard for gatherings, a garden, basketball court and adequate parking. Finally, the campaign will address the critical deferred capital improvements to the three residential homes that provide up to 28 Scholars each year with a safe and nurturing around-the-clock community.

Our Hope for the Future Campaign is an opportunity to help young people who are simply striving for a chance to work towards their dreams. Together, we can create a place where "hope happens" every day for scores of young people who otherwise be denied by crime, poverty and lack of consistent opportunities. Together, we can empower and sustain the next generation of Northeast Ohio.

"The new Center will be a proper home for the Academy Program and allow BHGH to form long-term, supportive relationships with a larger number of deserving students."

- Katie & Ray Murphy, Leadership Gift and Pillar of Hope Trustee

This is Our Hope For The Future ... please join us!
**POVERTY**

49% of our Northeast Ohio children live in poverty. Cleveland has the second highest poverty rate of any big city in the U.S. 42% of Akron children live in poverty. (U.S. Census)

**TRAUMA**

83% of inner-city youth have been exposed to traumatic events. Children who experience trauma are more likely to engage in high-risk behaviors and suffer chronic illness in adulthood. (American Journal of Public Health)

**EDUCATION**

Our Cleveland and Akron schools "Failed" in nearly all key areas on their State of Ohio report cards. (Ohio Department of Education & 2010-11 Akron Report Card 2010-11)

**COLLEGE**

Only 9% of students from families in poverty earn a college degree. (U.S. Dept. of Education)

**PERSISTENCE**

Only 11% of first generation low income students persist in college through graduation. (U.S. Dept. of Education)

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“When you’re in a situation like I was, and like a lot of the other kids are, it’s a cycle and you can’t break it unless you have people who support you and want to help.”

- Cecilia, Girls Hope Scholar since 2011
100% of our Scholars graduate from high school

100% of our Scholars attend college or pre-professional programs

86% of our Scholars persist through college compared to 11% nationally for underprivileged college-bound students

70% of our Scholars are FIRST generation college students

“Before BHGH when I would wake up I felt like there was nothing to live for. Now, when I wake up, it’s...”

- Kenya, Girls Hope Scholar since 2012

“...time to get an education, get a foundation for myself, get a better life.”

- Samuel, Boys Hope Scholar since 2010

To go from unnoticed to appreciated is a dream come true.”

- Shaquille, Boys Hope Scholar since 2012

“I always figured I’d go to high school and to college but BHGH made that a reality.”

- Isaiah, Boys Hope Scholar since 2010
Scholar Success Model
*Cura Personalis*

*Cura personalis* is a Latin phrase that translates as "care for the entire person." It applies individualized attention to the needs of the whole person, distinct respect for his or her unique circumstances, and an appreciation for his or her particular gifts. Our intensive Academy curriculum inspires, empowers and nurtures the whole child from 6th through 12th grade.

**Scholar Colleges & Universities**

- Allegheny College
- Baldwin Wallace University
- Berea College
- Bowling Green State University
- University of Cincinnati
- Cleveland State University
- College of Wooster
- Cuyahoga Community College
- John Carroll University
- Kent State University
- Miami University
- Northern Michigan University
- Notre Dame College
- The Ohio State University
- The Ohio State University at Mansfield
- Ohio University
- Reed College
- Shawnee State University
- University of Akron
- University of Dayton
- University of Detroit Mercy
- University of Michigan
- University of Toledo
- Ursuline College
- Vilanova University
- Youngstown State University

139 the number of bright and motivated children from Northeast Ohio that Boys Hope Girls Hope currently nurtures, educates and supports year long.

25 BHGH Graduates in college this year... and growing by 12 this June. Another record!

1,281 home-cooked dinners served to our Scholars each month.

263 hours of opportunities each of our 56 Hope Prep middle school Scholars will experience this year.

8 average number of college acceptances for each of our College Read high-school seniors.
“It amazes me that the BHGH Academy program can successfully meet the academic, emotional and spiritual needs of 139 scholars, from sixth grade through college, with such limited physical resources. Just think how many more lives would be positively impacted with a new Academy Center on the Garfield Heights campus of BHGH. These are very special kids, and this is a very special program.”

- Tom Eby, Leadership Gift and Pillar of Hope Trustee

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Beginning in Sixth Grade and continuing through College, Boys Hope Girls Hope delivers *cura personalis* to each of our Scholars through hundreds of planned activities each year.

As our enrollment increases, so does the need for a common space for all of our Scholars to be under one roof. Boys Hope Girls Hope has a goal of increasing our Residential and Academy programs to full capacity by 2020.

The construction of an Academy Center and acquisition of a neighboring church gymnasium will allow Boys Hope Girls Hope to:

- Grow from 139 to 200+ Scholars
- Double the amount of time each Scholar can access critical opportunities to grow.
- 50% increase in project-time within each grade-level curriculum to allow for deeper learning, character and 21st century learning skill development.
- Introduction of year-round recreational and physical fitness through our wellness programs.
- Enrichment of the holistic Scholar experience through individualized daily tutoring, professional mentoring, college counseling, parent programming, expressive-art therapies and career exploration programs.

“Simply put, when we open the doors to the new Academy Center, we open a world of possibilities for each and every one of these remarkable young people.”

- Tim Grady, Executive Director
Our Hope for the Future Needs you ... Now

Ways to Give

Opportunities to participate in Our Hope for the Future can be made in cash or pledges donated in one payment or over a period of time (typically 3-5 years).

Naming Opportunities

- Boys Hope Girls Hope Campus: $1,500,000 (committed)
- Academy Center: $1,000,000
- Gymnasium: $500,000

Builder of Hope Society

Join the Builders of Hope Society that consists of key members who have sufficiently pledged $200,000 to Our Hope for the Future campaign. Pledges can be paid over a 3-5 year period.

Each Builder of Hope will be presented with a unique naming opportunity on our campus.

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"What you’re investing in is not just a kid’s education, you’re investing in a kid’s life."

- Isaiah,
  Boys Hope Scholar since 2010