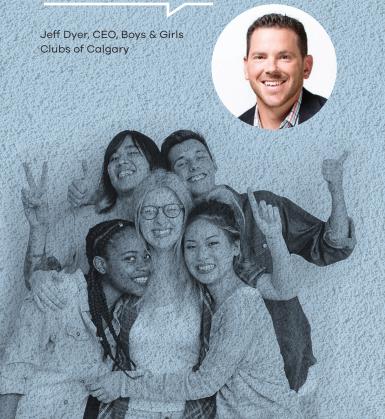
"My life has become more stable.

I have a home of my own and am starting to feel confident in where my life is going."

Home Fire youth participant

"At BGCC we begin our day knowing the world is not quite how it should be, but return home knowing that we have spent the day in a way that almost certainly makes the village better than it was when we started."



### Relotionships Motter

BGCC could not function without the people and organizations of our "village," including:

Alpha House • Aspen Family and Community Network Society • Big Brothers Big Sisters • BowWest Community Resource Centre • Calgary AfterSchool • Calgary Board of Education • Calgary Catholic School District • Calgary Drop in Centre • Calgary Homeless Foundation • Calgary Police Service • Calgary Stampede • carya • Catholic Family Services • Children's Cottage • Children's Services • CIWA • Closer to Home • CUPS • Enviros • Families Matter Society • Family & Community Support Services -City of Calgary • Genesis Centre • Government of Alberta • Home Depot Foundation • Hull Services • Immigrant Services Calgary • Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada • Kin-Dir Education Foundation • McMan • Mealshare • Miskanawah • Multi Agency School Support Team • Mustard Seed • Not in My City • SORCe • The Alex • The Awo Taan Healing Lodge • Two Wheel View • United Way Calgary and Area • Women's Centre • Wood's Homes • YMCA • Youth Employment Centre • YWCA

#### 2019 Board of Directors

Karleen Batty	Melanie Gaston	Aidan Mills
Randall Brazzoni	Deliman	Anil Nayak
Nancy Brennan	Thiloma Hofer	Guy Slater
Shawn Cornett	Jason Lee	Paul Wyatt

#### 2019 Elder & Knowledge Keeper Council

Reg Crowshoe	Edmee Comstock	
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Kelly Good Eagle	Tim Fox	
Daphne Good Eagle		

BGCO is committed to reconciliation and acknowledges the traditional territories and oral practices of the Blackfoot (Siksika, Piikani, and Kainai), the Tsuut'ina (Sarcee), the Stoney Nakoda First Nations, the Métis Nation (Region 3), and all people who make their homes in the Treaty 7 region of Southern Alberta.

# Building Belonging

The African proverb "It takes a village to raise a child" means the entire community is responsible to help a child grow into a vibrant and thriving adult.

Villagers care for all the children in their community. Our village's legacy, and ongoing commitment, remain the relationships and spaces needed for generational change.

As part of the ongoing evolution of that legacy, we are thrilled to share we are joining forces with Aspen Family & Community Network to create one big door for Calgarians. On June 15, 2020 Aspen and BGCC officially amalgamated; our new brand is currently in development, with an expected launch in September 2020.

The new and unified organization will bring together the best of Aspen Family & Community Network and Boys & Girls Clubs of Calgary. Together, we are transforming into one big door, a welcoming entry into a continuum of holistic services for young people, families and community. As a result, we will create an even stronger village, with a greater continuum of services to support people on every step of their journey.

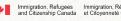
Learn more about this merger and how our village is gaining strength at: **www.onebigdoor.ca**.

With special thanks to our core funders:









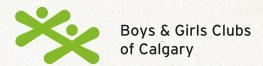


Contribute to this one big door at: boysandgirlsclubsofcalgary.ca/donate

#### **Charitable Registration**

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# It takes a village



## **BGCC** by the **Numbers**

In 2019, BGCC served

**PARENTS, GUARDIANS** OR NATURAL SUPPORTS

#### **EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT**

335 Children

96% of children improved their social/emotional skills, while their parents received support to strengthen served their families

212 Parents/ guardians

served

90% of parents said that their child is better prepared to attend Kindergarten

100% of parents said they learned positive parenting skills and strategies

#### **HOMELESSNESS, EXPLOITATION & TRAUMA**

511 Youth

293 youth were supported out of their journey of

243 vulnerable children and youth were provided with safe homes through our foster care, group homes and housing programs

62 young people who were sexually exploited across the province of Alberta were supported in their recovery to transition back to home and community

#### **COMMUNITY & CULTURAL CONNECTIONS**

1,645 Children/youth served

99% of kids at Clubs had improved social/emotional skills

219 new Canadian youth received settlement coaching supports

97% of youth positively connected to the Indigenous community through liyika'kimaat

#### **SUCCESS IN SCHOOL**

**750** Children/youth served

85% of students said their ability to envision a positive future for themselves has improved since working with our Success Coaches.

95% of students supported by All in for Youth either graduated or are enrolled in school again for next year

"BGCC has created a village of support for Calgary's children and youth.

From a strong foundation we are able to grow both the dreams of the organization and,

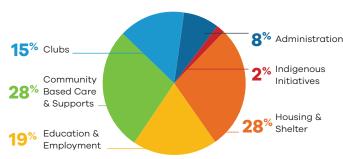
#### **EMPLOYMENT & SKILL BUILDING**

**593** Youth served

260 youth received support in building employment skills

333 jobs provided for youth by employment programs

### **2019 EXPENDITURES** \$20,463,937



## **Making an Impact**



"it is the first time that I felt someone cared about me at school and

wanted me to succeed. I knew that I could come to school and be supported when I was having rough times."

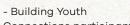
- All In For Youth program participant

#### **COMMUNITY & CULTURAL CONNECTIONS**



Connections participant

Thiloma Hofer, Chair, **Boys & Girls Clubs** of Calgary



and get a job, which is awesome!"

"BYC has helped me most with employment, I was able to

improve my resume and cover letter, practice interview skills

more importantly, those of the families we serve."

**EMPLOYMENT & SKILL** 

BUILDING



#### HOMELESSNESS. **EXPLOITATION & TRAUMA**

"I am somewhere I couldn't imagine before."

-AURA youth



"RSG has been amazing for my children. The teachers are amazing and very informative and communicate well with us. They have been very supportive."

- Ready Set Go! program parent



"They (the liyika'kimaat program) showed me (being Indigenous) isn't a bad thing and that I should be proud since our culture is special. The past we've gone through does not define us as a whole."

- liyika'kimaat program participant