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Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua Teen Center Officially Open!
Mr. & Mrs. Richard A. Stahl recognized for their vision and generosity

Nashua, NH – Thursday, April 16th, the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua hosted a ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony for Nashua’s first Teen Center for youth ages 13-18 at 47 Grand Avenue.

“This event is not only about the teens, but about the support received so far in this very important community project. Many individuals and local businesses and foundations have made financial contributions. On behalf of the teens, staff, board and trustees, I thank the Greater Nashua community for helping bring this project to life. Now that the lower level is complete, we must complete the upper level for members ages 5 - 12,” said Norm Bouthilette, CEO of the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua.

Governor John Lynch and Nashua Mayor Donnalee Lozeau took part in the ribbon cutting and spoke on behalf of Nashua’s newest community resource. Longtime Boys & Girls Club supporter Senator Judd Gregg was unable to make the event, but was represented by Matt Leahy. Boys & Girls Clubs of America also had a presence with the attendance of Jack Glazebrook of Government Affairs.

The Teen Center was formally dedicated to Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Stahl of Hollis, NH with sincere gratitude for their vision and commitment to the Teen Center. The couple generously donated the seed money for the project. A plaque will permanently mark their inspiration inside the Teen Center.

“The Stahls inspired the Teen Center and have also helped the Club raise community awareness and support for the whole renovation project. They are still with us, offering advice and encouragement. We wouldn’t be this far along without them,” said Leslie Sanderson, the Director of Advancement at the Boys & Girls Club.

“But please remember, we aren’t done yet! Clubhouse improvements are still underway and we hope to see the community back here in the fall when we celebrate the Grand Re-Opening of the entire facility,” Bouthilette added. Those interested in making a donation to help the Boys & Girls Club fund the final phase of the project may contact Leslie Sanderson at 883-0523, ext. 212 or lsanderson@bgcn.com.

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BGCN Teen Center ribbon cutting

The Boys & Girls Club of Greater Nashua annually serves 4,200 boys and girls ages 5 to 18 in locations throughout Nashua, Merrimack and Litchfield. It reaches another 10,000 youngsters in the community. Offering a variety of programs and wholesome activities to build attitudes, skills, values and behaviors that enable youth to succeed in adulthood, the Club's vision is for all children to have a safe place to go after school to develop the best within themselves, and experience the joys of childhood. The Club is staffed with professional, caring adults and is open to all children. Membership is \$15 a year and no child is turned away for inability to pay. Please visit www.bgcn.com for more information.

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