



FUTURE **READY** the Next Generation

119th National Conference | May 7-9, 2025

San Diego, CA | Marriott Marquis

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF AMERICA'S NATIONAL CONFERENCE BOARD TRACK

For the 119th year, thousands of dedicated executives, board members, professional staff, and partners from across the Boys & Girls Club Movement will gather in person on **May 7th - 9th at the Boys & Girls Clubs of America's National Conference in San Diego, CA** to learn, celebrate, and connect with each other on the collective impact of our mission.

In addition to the inspiring general sessions and networking opportunities, this conference will include a board track specifically developed for board attendees to inspire and elevate their impact as board members. **You asked for more networking opportunities and best practice sharing, and we're delivering!** This year's conference will include many opportunities for you to meet with and learn from other board members from across the Movement.

- Join us in "The Board Room" for breakfast with fellow board members, members of BGCA's senior leadership team and other special guests to network, share challenges and best practices.
- Sessions are structured to include opportunities for peer-to-peer engagement and networking and will include practical guidance and specific takeaways that will enable you to bring back tools and resources to generate discussions in your board meetings.
- Session topics are aligned with Boys & Girls Clubs of America's Strategic Direction: Future Ready, specifically focusing on the board's strategic role.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

SPECIAL DISCOUNT for BOARD MEMBERS!

We are excited to offer a special Board Member **Buy One, Get One Half Off** (BOGO) discount for registration!

To qualify for the BOGO discount, you must register more than one board member. Just select "board member" as your registration type. The first person will pay the full registration fee and the next board member will receive their registrations at half off. Each full price board registration will generate a 50% discount.

Registration information can be found on [BGCA.net](https://bgca.net) or scan the QR code.



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Questions about the Board Track? Email Susan Taylor, DOD - Board Engagement at staylor@bgca.org
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Board Track Session Schedule

Wednesday May 7th

7:00 - 8:00 AM	Join us for breakfast and networking in “The Board Room”
8:00 - 8:45 AM	Mini-session: Best Practice Sharing Board Engagement in Safety
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Opening General Session with Jim Clark , President and CEO, BGCA
11:00 - 12:15 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Empowering Leadership: Elevating CEOs through Professional Development (does not repeat). Dr. Danielle Hicks, Founder/President of the Leadership Science Institute • Board Best Practice - Managing Financial Risk (does not repeat). Doug Wells, Principal, Nonprofit, and Jackie Eckman, Principal, Regulated Industries, Nonprofit, CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen LLP) • Removing the Blinders - How Boards can Reality-check Organizational Goals and Initiatives (repeats on Thursday). Greg Soffe, Founder and Principal of Vantage Point Initiatives (VPI)
2:00 - 3:15 PM	General Session
3:30-4:45 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establishing Organizational Culture, A Board Member’s Role (does not repeat). H Walker, Human-Centered Strategies Officer, BGCA • When Data Drives Your Fundraising Strategy (repeats on Thursday), Robyn Furness-Fallin and Kali Righter, Sr. Consultants, DBD Group.
5:30 - 7:00 PM	Exhibitors Reception

Thursday May 8th

7:00 - 8:00 AM	Join us for breakfast and networking in “The Board Room”
8:00 - 8:45 AM	Mini-session: Empowering Boards: Advocating for Youth in Your Community
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	General Session
11:00 - 12:15 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accelerating Impact through Whole Brain® Thinking - It’s not WHAT you think, it’s HOW you think (repeats in afternoon). Lori Addicks, CEO, Larkspur Group • Love em’ or Leave em’? How to Manage and Inspire Your Board (does not repeat). Rachel Muir, CFRE, Founder and CEO, Girlstart • Removing the Blinders - How Boards can Reality-check Organizational Goals and Initiatives (repeat from Wednesday). Greg Soffe, Founder and Principal of Vantage Point Initiatives (VPI)



Session schedule subject to change. For most update to date information visit the conference website by scanning the QR code.

Thursday May 8th (continued)

12:30 -1:45 PM **Board Luncheon** (requires pre-registration and additional \$125 fee)

An inspiring and engaging luncheon designed to bring together board leaders from across the movement. Enjoy a thoughtfully curated meal featuring local and seasonal flavors, accompanied by dynamic keynote speakers who will share their insights on the latest trends, challenges, and opportunities within our field. National board awards will be presented and celebrated! Whether you're here to expand your network, gain fresh perspectives, or simply enjoy a delicious lunch, this event promises to be an enriching experience for board members.

2:00 - 3:15 PM **General Session with Keynote from Dr. Bernice King**, CEO Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change (The King Center)

3:30 - 4:45 PM

- **Accelerating Impact through Whole Brain® Thinking - It's not WHAT you think, it's HOW you think** (repeats in afternoon). Lori Addicks, CEO, Larkspur Group
- **Building Your Balance Sheet for Sustainability** (does not repeat). Kelsey Vatsaas, Managing Principal of Industry, Nonprofits and Scott Brubaker, Principal - Wealth Advisor, CLA (CliftonLarsonAllen LLP)
- **When Data Drives Your Fundraising Strategy** (repeat from Wednesday), Robyn Furness-Fallin and Kali Righter, Sr. Consultants, DBD Group.

7:30 PM **Alumni Hall of Fame Celebration**

One of the most inspiring events you'll ever attend! Hosted by Courtney B. Vance, Alumni Hall of Fame Emcee, you'll hear from the class of 2025 Hall of Fame inductees on the impact their Boys & Girls Club had on their lives. Inductees include actor Terry Crews, WWE Superstar Montez Ford, Pro Basketball Player and Philanthropist Derek Anderson, Pro Football Player and Philanthropist Donnie Edwards, VP and Chief of Staff of Basketball Operations, Dallas Mavericks, Louis Surge and more to be added!

Friday May 9th

7:00 - 8:00 AM Join us for **breakfast and networking in "The Board Room"**

8:00 - 8:45 AM **Mini-session: Best Practice Sharing Board Culture, Engagement, and Development**

9:00 AM - 10:30 AM **National Council Meeting and General Session**

11:00 - 12:15 PM **From the Field: Board Best Practice Sharing**

Join leaders from across the Movement as they share best practices around governance, strengthening board leadership and oversight, digital transformation, the power of corporate partnership, and board engagement.

12:30 -1:45 PM **Various Luncheons** (requires pre-registration and additional fees)

2:00 - 3:15 PM **General Session**

3:30 - 4:45 PM **From the Field: Board Best Practice Sharing**

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6:00 - 8:00 PM **Awards Ceremony and Grand Finale**

Join us as we celebrate our Movement, our youth members, and individuals who have truly made a remarkable impact. This event is an inspirational end to our conference!