



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS**  
OF GREATER OXNARD AND  
PORT HUENEME

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**Community can support youth development through  
Boys & Girls Club's It Just Takes One Campaign**

OXNARD, Calif. – Members of the [Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Oxnard and Port Hueneme](#) have higher high school graduation rates and lower teen pregnancy and crime rates than other area youth. This equates to a 400 percent return on investment in club programs. The local Boys & Girls Club is encouraging individuals to invest in this local organization as it kicks off its annual It Just Takes One Campaign.

“It just takes one person to make an incredible difference in the life of a child,” said Tim Blaylock, chief professional officer, Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Oxnard and Port Hueneme. “Every community member can be the difference that helps one child grow up to not just survive, but to be great. Through gifts large and small, we can ensure our community has a sound future by developing young people who have strong ethics and character to resist today’s peer pressures and embrace tomorrow’s leadership roles.”

The annual campaign raises funds to bridge the gap between membership fees and program costs. While members pay \$15 per year, the club pays \$500 per year in program expenses for each child in club programs.

To make a donation to the campaign, visit [www.positiveplace4kids.org/getinvolved/donate.htm](http://www.positiveplace4kids.org/getinvolved/donate.htm).

This year’s honorary campaign chairs are Oxnard Mayor Tom Holden and Port Hueneme Mayor Norm Griffaw. The campaign will culminate with the annual It Just Takes One Breakfast on April 22, featuring heralded teacher and “Freedom Writers” author Erin Gruwell. For breakfast sponsorship opportunities, contact Linda le Brock at (805) 815-4959 x205 or [llebrock@bgcop.org](mailto:llebrock@bgcop.org).

**About the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Oxnard and Port Hueneme**

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Oxnard and Port Hueneme exists to inspire and enable all young people to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. With three full-service clubs, 13 school program sites and one housing site, the organization is one of the largest of its kind in California, serving 7,200 members annually. The group is also the first Boys & Girls Club of its kind to open a site inside a Juvenile Justice Center in the state of California. Program areas offered to youth include character and leadership development, education and career development, health and life skills, the arts, technology and sports, fitness and recreation. For more information, visit [www.positiveplace4kids.org](http://www.positiveplace4kids.org).

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