## WE HOPE YOU JOIN US

## FUND A NEED HAPPY HOUR SOCIAL

We are thrilled to let you know we are having our first get together since 2019. This year, we are excited to host a Happy Hour Social with our Fund A Need campaign at Hart Ranch Golf Club on Wednesday, September 6 from 4:30 – 7:00 pm and we hope you join us!

Come and enjoy great food, company, and games throughout the evening. We want to share all the happy moments that have happened last year and this summer.

Tickets are \$20.00 each. Please email Chantel, Director of Development to RSVP by August 29, 2023 at chantelm@theclubforboys.org.

Location - Hart Ranch Golf Club 23645 Clubhouse Drive, Rapid City, SD 57701



## Fund & Need Event at Hart Ranch Golf Club YOU'RE INVITED - HAPPY HOUR SOCIAL





If you can't make it we would like to share some of the great things happening at the Club! Summer began on June 5th and currently we will have over 800 members enrolled. When you think about those numbers our total membership in FY23 was 932. Our daily attendance is back to pre-pandemic numbers and our highest daily attendance was 333 and we are averaging 300 boys per day. It is amazing how you can drive up to the Club and see a line out our door of boys waiting patiently to get in and then walking into the Games Room at 8:30 and seeing over 250 boys already in attendance.

There are so many happy moments made daily at the Club including our leagues, meals, Older Boys Program, our Education Center, and lifelong friendship between our boys. Some of these were:

- Our basketball leagues in March had over 110 boys participate.

- We served over 64,000 meals and snacks in FY23, and continue to offer our fresh fruit and veggie bar.

Our Older Boys After Hours Program biggest night was 70 boys who stayed on Friday evening until 11:00 pm. Our older boys are loving the learning kitchen and Brothers of BBQ (aka - B.O.B) Program.
We scholarship 150+ boys last year to boys that needed membership assistance.

- Our boys are enjoying our educational coaches in the Education Center. This summer the daily averages in our Education Program focusing on school related activities were: 61 boys participated in math on Tuesdays, 92 in word study on Wednesdays, and 38 in writing on Thursdays. In July, we had 48 boys reading between 1.5 – 13.75 hours weekly.

- And finally, the best part is walking through the Games Room; every member is socializing and playing with one or more friends.

Those are only some highlights, but what you don't see are the hugs, smiles, and high-fives, the fastpaced walk getting to the next exciting program, all the boys standing for prayer and pledge before lunch trying to speak in unison from every area of the Club, and the dedication from our staff. Our staff are all doing a wonderful job fulfilling our mission, while offering a quality program, keeping our members safe, and caring about each boy who walks through our door.

We are excited for this year's Fund A Need campaign. We hope you join us at Hart Ranch Golf Club but if you are unable to attend, we would love to schedule a phone call or give you a tour to tell you all about the exciting things going on along with more happy moments.

Right now, our Fund A Need campaign is up and going with a goal of raising \$225,000. With your help, we can make that goal and can continue to offer great programs and be a service to our community. It is because of people like you, we are able to offer this magical place to all boys that want to join.

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FY23 Statistics (May 31, 2022 - June 1, 2023)

- 932 boys were members of The Club for Boys in FY23; An average of 212 boys came to the Club each day. Summer's average was 244 boys a day and 201 came each day during the school year.

- 64,087 meals and snacks were served by the Club.

- 71% were in households that meet USDA poverty guidelines for free and reduced meals, although we feed all boys.

- 43% lived at or below the federal poverty guidelines.

- 38% were being raised by a single parent; an additional 10% were being raised by a relative other than a parent, and 2% were in foster care.

- About 9% of the boys were homeless sometime during the year and at least 13% had a parent or close family member incarcerated.



Scan the QR code with your phone camera and click the link to take a look at our Fund A Need Video and see the boys in action.

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