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**Construction Update: Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh
Building Expansion & New Community Center**

Construction is moving along on the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh Building & Community Center Project. The 5-part project includes, an expansion of the Club's elementary and middle school age spaces, a new Teen Center, a new playground and multi-purpose field, a community center, and a second gym. Once complete, the project will double the size of the Club and allow it to serve 150+ more youth each day.

In October, contractor CR Meyer began construction on the Radford side of the building (for ages 6-9). The bump-out of these classrooms will allow space for 60 more elementary-age children each day. This part of the building will be complete this February.

The building leased by Head Start began construction in December. All three floors will be renovated, and two more classrooms added, allowing space for 50 more youth. The Club will utilize this space during non-school hours for its 6-year-old members. A new circle drive on Monroe St. will provide added safety while children enter and exit the building. This part of the building will be complete in August 2023.

The Club also broke ground on its new edition that includes a second-floor teen space to teach workforce development and career readiness and to continue expanding its mental health programming and services. This new building will also house a community center for local agencies to come together to better serve families. Organizations include: Children's Hospital, Forward Services, Rawhide, Oshkosh Food Pantry, Fox Valley Technical College Christine Ann Center, Winnebago Health and many more. The expansion will also include a renovation of our middle school age space. This part of the project will be complete in February 2024.

With 300+ children served daily, we plan to add a multi-purpose field for football, soccer and baseball, to be complete in June 2023, and a new playground courtyard and second gym due for completion in late 2024.

To give a gift to the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh Building & Community Center project, donate online at bgcosh.org, or call CEO Tracy Ogden at (920) 233-1414, ext. 116. We invite you to tour the Club and see first-hand how we are improving the lives of children and families. Call Tracy Ogden to set up a tour.

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About the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh: For over 50 years, the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh has provided young people with a safe place to learn and grow and currently serves over 3,000 local youth through membership and outreach. The Club offers a dynamic learning environment that includes many age-appropriate programs, mentoring by caring adult professionals and outstanding facilities, all for an annual fee of only \$25 per child. By providing safe facilities, caring adults, and engaging activities, we help each young person realize their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

For more information on the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh, please contact the Club at (920) 233-1414, visit the Club online at www.bgcosh.org or find the Club on Facebook, Twitter or YouTube.

As always, the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh is a United Way Agency.

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