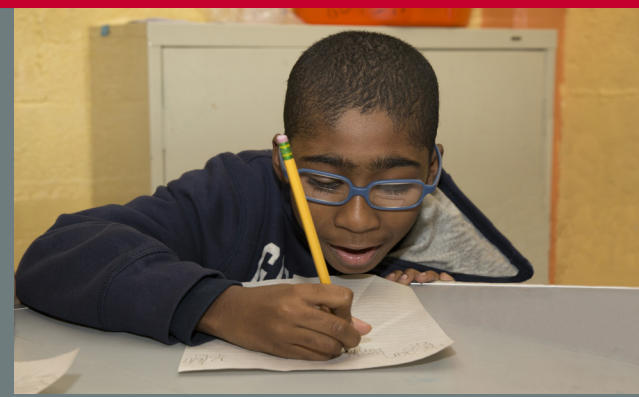


# OUR COMMUNITY NEEDS BGR



## What Is Boys & Girls Republic?

BGR is a Henry Street Settlement youth community center that has served tens of thousands of Lower East Side young people since the 1930s. Located amid the Jacob Riis and Lillian Wald public housing complexes, it is a refuge, a place of growth, and a symbol of community connectedness.

These are some of the challenges our neighbors face:

**\$14,745** Median household income

**ONLY 1/3** Adults over 16 employed

**ONLY 7.4%** Bachelor's degree holders

*I'm running for City Council...I want to be mayor of New York City some day.*

- Syana, after-school participant

*I have dedicated my career to re-creating the cycle of empowerment at BGR.*

- Luis, Sports & Recreation Coordinator

*I picked up a basketball, and my whole energy changed.*

- Jasiah, BGR alum; college freshman



In a neighborhood where low-income, immigrant, and minority families face intergenerational poverty, low educational attainment, environmental stressors, and violence

**Free after-school** enriches children's minds and improves their academic performance through high-quality homework help, dance and visual arts classes, and cooking and science projects.

**A unique self-government program** teaches the ins and outs of the democratic process and empowers youth to make important decisions.

**Social workers** lead social-emotional learning groups and provide individual counseling to build confidence and overcome trauma.

**Summer day camp** keeps kids active and safe while countering summer learning loss with fun and educational programming.

**Sports & recreation programs** include basketball clinics, league play, and tournaments; football leagues; and open gym, led by outstanding coach-role models, leading to self-esteem and college scholarships.

## ... BGR Changes Lives.

Each Year:



**240** CHILDREN ages 5 to 13—a quarter of whom live in Henry Street's homeless shelters—enroll in after-school.



**17** CHILDREN are elected into leadership positions each year.



**80** CHILDREN participate in counseling sessions.



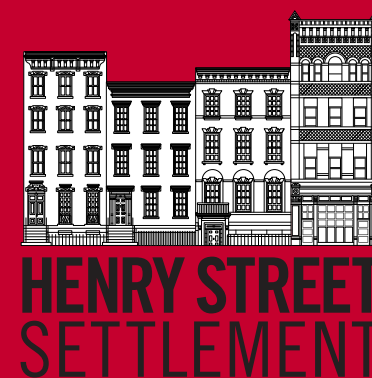
**160** CHILDREN enroll in free camp.



**380** YOUTH ages 12 to 19 develop their skills on and off the court through sports & rec activities.



the gym is open for **600** HOURS A YEAR giving neighborhood youth a safe space to play.



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# BGR NEEDS YOU.

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