



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS  
OF GREATER  
NORTHWEST INDIANA**

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**Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana Lands Grant from Taco Bell Foundation**

The Taco Bell Foundation has awarded Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana \$10,840 as part of its community grants program. The funds will go toward the Lyricism 101 program at Hammond Boys & Girls Club and to help purchase equipment for the newly remodeled Club's digital music recording studio.

Boys & Girls Clubs President and CEO Ryan Smiley said Taco Bell Foundation has been a supporter of the organization for a number of years.

"Taco Bell Foundation's continued support has enabled us to do some really exciting things for our Club members," Smiley said. "We are grateful for their support and the important work they do for communities across the country."

The Taco Bell Foundation helps young people explore their career passions with scholarships, experiences and community support. Thanks to the generosity of Taco Bell's customers, team members, partners and owners, the Taco Bell Foundation granted \$8 million in 2020 to more than 350 nonprofit organizations who are working directly with young adults in 168 local communities across the country. Since 2010, the Taco Bell Foundation has awarded \$50 million to local charities.

**About Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana:**

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Northwest Indiana has been opening doors to GREAT FUTURES for Porter and Lake County youth for over 60 years. Clubs are open after school and provide great places for youth in grades K-12 to meet friends and have fun while in a safe, supervised environment. Clubs are open during holidays and in the summer. Annual membership is only \$40.00. For information on membership, volunteer opportunities, or to make a tax-deductible donation, please contact your local Club by calling (219) 764-2582 or visiting [bgcgreaterwi.org](http://bgcgreaterwi.org). Great Futures Start HERE.

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