

# Proposition 202 Tribal Gaming Application Sponsorship/Support Form Requesting Pinal County serve as the Fiscal Agent/Pass Through Entity

Name of the Tribal Community: Ak-Chin Indian Community

Due date of the application to the Tribal community: July 15, 2025

The following information will be used by Pinal County to 1) send the resolution and grant documents for the applicant to submit to the Tribal community, 2) send the funds, if awarded.

Name of the Non-profit: Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley, Inc. (BGCAZ)

Contact person/title: Alissa Robinson, Senior Director of Grant Strategy & Impact

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**Address:** 4309 E. Belleview St., Bldg. 14, Phoenix, AZ 85008-5409

Project name: Boys & Girls Clubs for Pinal County Youth

Amount being requested: \$30,000

**Project summary:** BGCAZ request a grant to support program activities at Clubs in Pinal County, offering activities to support vulnerable youth in their Academic Success, development of Healthy Lifestyles and Good Character & Leadership, and create their personalized Career Pathways & Workforce Readiness plan.

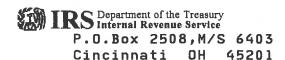
**Beneficiaries:** BGCAZ serves youth ages 5 - 18, with (in Pinal County Clubs) 48% from families living below 150% of the Federal Poverty Level, 47% identifying as persons of color, and 56% living with a single parent or adults other than a parent, all factors that would point to potential academic failure and dropping out of school, juvenile delinquency, and other long-term consequences will into adulthood.

Supervisor District: Districts 5 and 2

The undersigns hereby certifies they have read and comply with the responsibilities set forth in the PINAL COUNTY TRIBAL GAMING GRANT PROGRAM Request for fiscal agent/pass through support documentation.

Marcia Mintz, President & CEO

Director name and signature



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Employer ID number: 86-0550646

Form 990 required: YES

Dear Taxpayer:

We're responding to your request dated Apr. 02, 2020, about your tax-exempt status.

We issued you a determination letter in NOVEMBER 1986, recognizing you as tax-exempt under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c) (3).

We also show you're not a private foundation as defined under IRC Section 509(a) because you're described in IRC Sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

Donors can deduct contributions they make to you as provided in IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts under IRC Sections 2055, 2106, and 2522.

In the heading of this letter, we indicated whether you must file an annual information return. If you're required to file a return, you must file one of the following by the 15th day of the 5th month after the end of your annual accounting period:

- Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
- Form 990EZ, Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax
- Form 990-N, Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) for Tax-Exempt Organizations Not Required to File Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
- Form 990-PF, Return of Private Foundation or Section 4947(a)(1)
  Trust Treated as Private Foundation

According to IRC Section 6033(j), if you don't file a required annual information return or notice for 3 consecutive years, we'll revoke your tax-exempt status on the due date of the 3rd required return or notice.

You can get IRS forms or publications you need from our website at www.irs.gov/forms-pubs or by calling 800-TAX-FORM (800-829-3676).

If you have questions, call 877-829-5500 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.,

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local time, Monday through Friday (Alaska and Hawaii follow Pacific time).

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

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Stephen A. Martin Director, EO Rulings & Agreements

### 2025 Ak-Chin Indian Community Grant Application Cover Sheet

Name of Applicant: Boys & Girls			a: □ City/Town/County (circle) 501(c)(3) Nonprofit	
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## AK-CHIN INDIAN COMMUNITY 2025 PROP 202 – 12% CONTRIBUTION GRANT APPLICATION NARRATIVE

#### A. Purpose of Grant

#### 1. Proposed Project

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley (BGCAZ) respectfully requests \$30,000 to support the delivery of youth development program services to youth living in Pinal County. Funding will support the costs of program supplies and participant transportation to our Clubs.

Boys & Girls Clubs of the Valley is the largest youth services provider in Arizona and the fifth largest Boys & Girls Clubs organization in the nation, supporting more than 15,000 Club members and their families at 32 locations throughout Maricopa, Pinal, Mohave, and Yuma Counties. We place our Clubs strategically in low-income neighborhoods because this is where we can have the greatest impact. Through structured, purposeful, and fun out-of-school-time activities, BGCAZ guides youth toward four priority outcomes:

- Academic Success Daily academic enrichment activities offering homework help, tutoring, and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) activities to support this learning, vital to 21<sup>st</sup> Century jobs.
- Healthy Lifestyles Daily physical activity; healthy nutrition learning supported through the service of healthy, well-balanced snacks and meals; employing good resistance and decision-making; avoiding risky behaviors; and learning about the connection between mental and physical health.
- Good Character & Leadership Access to caring, supportive adults who help foster
  resilience to challenges, stress, and bullying while learning to treat others with
  respect. Opportunities to learn leadership skills in the Club and in volunteer
  activities in the community.
- Career Pathways & Workforce Readiness Members explore their interests and abilities and discover careers that would match. Youth learn both hard and soft employability skills and older youth may participate in job shadowing and paid internships all to help youth develop their personal plan for long-term success.

BGCAZ sponsors two Clubs serving Pinal County youth, the Superstition Mountain Club in Apache Junction and San Tan Heights Club in San Tan Valley. Each year, these Clubs provide quality youth development programs for 700 youth with the following characteristics:

- 48% of their families live below 150% of the Federal Poverty Level.
- 47% identify as persons of color.
- 56% live with a single parent or adult other than a parent, including those in the child welfare system.

As such, youth have experienced one or more ACEs (Adverse Childhood Experiences). ACEs include factors like growing up in poverty, the absence of a parent, witnessing or being the victim of domestic violence, and the like. These incidents truncate social/emotional development and are directly linked to poor academic performance, dropping out of school, and juvenile delinquency. Effects are long-lasting with links to negative mental and physical health consequences well into



adulthood. The effects of ACEs can be mitigated with appropriate interventions, such as membership in Boys & Girls Clubs. In everything we do, we strive to fulfill our mission to empower young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible members of the community.

#### 2. Target Population

BGCAZ serves 700 Pinal County youth ages 5 through 18. As mentioned previously, 48% of families served live below 150% of the Federal Poverty Level, qualifying them as low-income; 47% identify as persons of color; and 56% of youth live with either a single parent or adults other than a parent, including those in the child welfare system.

#### 3. Goals and Objectives

To gauge progress toward that goal, we have established the following measurable outcomes:

- 95% of Club members will be on grade level for their age at the end of the grant period.
- 90% of Club members will say they expect to graduate high school.
- 80% of Club members will enjoy improved health through regular physical activity.
- 80% of Club members will demonstrate pro-social behaviors and leadership traits.
- 100% of Club members will have reduced food insecurity.

These and other outcomes are measured by the National Youth Outcomes Initiative, an annual survey administered through our national affiliate organization, Boys & Girls Clubs of America. The survey collects feedback from Club members as well as families and staff. Data are reported to BGC of America, which compiles the information and issues reports on the national, organization, and Club levels. BGCAZ uses the data to determine if we are meeting outcome goals, assess Club performance, and inform our Continuous Quality Improvement Plan.

Grant funding offers a strong return on investment. An economic impact study conducted for Boys & Girls Clubs by the Seidman Institute at Arizona State University showed that Club members experience better high school graduation rates, reduced levels of teen parenthood, less juvenile criminal activity, less substance abuse, and improved healthy habits—all of which led to an improved quality of life and cost savings to society at large. In fact, 94% of parents told us that having their youth in BGCAZ allows them to keep their jobs and, for every \$1 invested in BGCAZ, the community realizes \$15.60 in benefit.

#### 4. Timetable

Parents/caregivers may register their child with Boys & Girls Clubs at any time, although most enrollments coincide with the beginning of the academic year, in the fall. Programming continues throughout the academic year and into the summer. The National Youth Outcomes Initiative survey is administered each February, with results released the following summer.

#### **B.** Resources

#### 1. Current Funding Sources

The Boys & Girls Clubs in Pinal County share BGCAZ's diverse revenue streams, which include membership dues and fees, donations from individuals and businesses, special event proceeds, government service contracts, and philanthropic grants. Listed below are the agency's most significant institutional funders as of June 2024, in alignment with our most recent financial audit.



Those characterized as "one-time" opportunities indicate grants secured through a competitive application process.

Funding Source	Duration	
U.S. Department of Agriculture	Long-Term	
U.S. Department of Education	Long-Term	
Boys & Girls Clubs of America	Long-Term	
U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention	One-Time	
Arizona Department of Homeland Security	One-time	
The Bob & Renee Parsons Foundation	One-Time	
Chandler Compadres	One-Time	
Taco Bell Foundation	One-Time	
Simone Charitable Foundation	One-Time	
Valley of the Sun United Way	One-Time	
Gila River Indian Community	One-Time	
A for Arizona	One-Time	
Panda Cares Foundation	One-Time	
Super Bowl LVII Arizona Host Committee	One-Time	
Thunderbirds Charities	One-Time	
Blue Cross Blue Shield Association	One-Time	
Bank of Oklahoma	One-Time	
Altria	One-Time	

#### 2. Partners and Roles

Our project partners include schools, law enforcement agencies, and social service organizations that host BCGAZ activities or recommend BGCAZ to parents and caregivers whose children could benefit from membership. Additional partners include companies that offer career internships for older youth.

#### 3. Sustainability

BGCAZ has offered programming to the community since 1946 and maintained steady growth throughout that time. To sustain these efforts, BGCAZ has a balanced fund development program that includes grants and contracts for service from federal, state, and local municipalities as well as corporate and foundation grants, individual gifts, and special events. We aspire to build on our success, and we continue to reach out to potential partners like the Ak-Chin Indian Community.

#### 4. Funds from other Arizona tribes

Pending over last 18 months for same project: BGCAZ has no applications pending with other tribes for this particular project (Boys & Girls Clubs for Pinal County Youth). We are planning an application to the Tohono O'odham Nation for \$448,969.40 for facilities improvements at one of our Maricopa County Clubs. Applications are pending with the Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation seeking \$10,000 to support operation of our Mesa Club and the Gila River Indian Community for \$150,000 to support Club services throughout Maricopa County.



• **Funded requests in last 5 years: BGCAZ** has not received funding from other tribes for this particular project; however, we have been awarded the following grants for other purposes.

Tribe	Year	Purpose	Amount
Gila River Indian Community	2020	Club Expansion	\$120,000
Gila River Indian Community	2022	Club Expansion	\$100,000
Gila River Indian Community	2023	Club Expansion	\$300,000
Tohono O'odham Nation	2021	Member Scholarships	\$5,000
Tohono O'odham Nation	2023	Security Systems	\$275,000

#### C. Reports

We have the internal processes and systems in place to meet any conventional reporting requirements. As the recipient of local, state and federal grants, BGCAZ has a robust accounting system and the institutional experience necessary to track expenses and ensure fidelity to contract requirements. All Club member information, including attendance and demographic data, is entered into our TraxSolutions software. This system enables us to issue accurate reports on Club activities as well as demographic information on those served. Finally, the annual Boys & Girls Clubs of America National Youth Outcomes Initiative provides detailed outcome data for each Club affiliate and branch.

#### D. Budget

The program expense budget for the operation of the two Clubs serving Pinal County is:

Line Item	Amount
Salaries	\$604,254
Payroll Taxes	\$42,259
Benefits	\$50,081
Contracted Services	\$11,013
Occupancy	\$36,954
Supplies	\$101,117
Equipment	\$833
Telephone	\$1,822
Printing/Public Relations	\$2,895
Transportation	\$5,675
Conferences, Meetings, Trainings	\$750
Organizational Dues	\$12,271
Insurance Expense	\$27,129
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$897,053

#### **Budget Justification**

*Salaries* of \$604,254 cover the wages and salaries of all staff employed at the Club locations providing direct services to members.

Payroll Taxes of \$42,259 cover those tax obligations required by law.

Benefits of \$50,081 covers employee benefits provided for those staff who qualify.



Contracted Services of \$11,013 cover the cost of qualified sports coaches and referees and may cover the cost of a Wellness Coach through Terros Health to integrate into Club staff and provide additional mental health services for youth and families.

Occupancy of \$36,954 covers costs related to occupying Club locations, including utilities.

Supplies of \$101,117 cover the cost of consumable supplies expended in the delivery of program services as well as healthy snacks and meals to support youth nutrition and alleviate food insecurity.

Equipment of \$833 covers costs associated with purchasing and/or maintaining equipment used in program services that are not consumed within a year's time.

Telephone of \$1,822 covers the cost of telephone and internet services at the Clubs.

*Printing/Public Relations* of \$2,895 covers costs associated with printing bilingual flyers to promote Club membership distributed through partner schools.

*Transportation* of \$5,675 covers the costs of transporting youth to off-site activities as well as from school to the Clubs for programming.

Conferences, Meetings, Training of \$750 covers the costs associated with providing ongoing training for Club staff.

Organizational Dues of \$12,271 covers the costs of dues for affiliation with Boys & Girls Clubs of America and primarily covers the cost of participation in the annual National Youth Outcomes Initiative survey.

*Insurance Expense* of \$27,129 covers the cost of those insurances other than those related to payroll expenses.

#### **Timeline**

Families may register their youth for Boys & Girls Club membership at any time throughout the year. Youth must be registered for their participation each year. Most registrations occur at the beginning of the school year with a second influx at the beginning of the summer school break. BGCAZ programs operate throughout the year with after-school hours that accommodate early release days and full-day operation when school is out of session. If awarded, funding from the Ak-Chin Indian Community would be expended to meet the costs of program supplies and participant transportation and be fully expended within the grant year. We thank you for your consideration of this request.

#### E. Additional Information

Our success is reflected not only in the data and numbers we report, but in the lived experience of our Club members. Recently, one of the Pinal County Clubs hosted the Pinal County Sheriff's Department.

During spring break, the Pinal County Sheriff's Department visited to make a social media safety presentation. Youth learned about the dangers of communicating with strangers on social media as well as the impact social media bullying has on youth. After the presentation, Club members got to play a round of Dodgeball with the Sheriffs. Members then got to climb aboard the Sheriff's Hummer and patrol bikes, ask questions and talk with the Sheriffs. The day ended with a visit from our local Kona Ice Truck. We appreciated the day as well as the opportunity for Club members to experience law enforcement in a more positive way than they may in the community at large.