



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

**OF BURBANK AND GREATER
EAST VALLEY**

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THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF BURBANK AND GREATER EAST VALLEY GET HEALTHY AND DROUGHT SAVVY

(Burbank, July 21, 2015) The new garden at the Boys & Girls Club of Burbank and Greater East Valley is attracting attention. Staff has fielded several calls from local residents asking about the garden. Members of the Club can now show off the fresh leafy plants grown in its Tower Garden.

In May, the Leadership Burbank Class of 2015 completed its class project which included adding a garden in the front yard area of the Main Club located on Buena Vista Street. In addition the Tower Garden was donated courtesy of Tim Blank of Future Growing. This vertical garden uses 90% less land and water normally required to grow produce. It recycles 100% of nutrients and water and it has a much smaller carbon footprint, by virtually eliminating shipping and storage.

“Our members are not only getting a hands on experience in gardening and growing their own plants and vegetables, they are also learning how to be ecologically smart during California’s drought season,” said CEO Shanna Warren. “One of the Boys & Girls Clubs priority outcomes is healthy lifestyles,” said Warren, “how wonderful for our members to experience the joy of gardening, not to mention eating a fresh green salad for lunch from their very own garden. This is just one of many ways the Club offers unique, enriching experiences for our Club kids.”

Added Warren, “We thank Future Growing and the 2015 Leadership Burbank Class again for its efforts. This project will continue to have remarkable results well into the future.”

About the Boys & Girls Club of Burbank and Greater East Valley

Serving our community for 20 years, the Boys & Girls Club of Burbank and Greater East Valley supports and nurtures potential in 1,650 young people ages 6-18 every day. Through professional, dedicated and trained staff, the boys and girls at our Main Club and at 17 local school sites, are encouraged to fully participate in a variety of enrichment programs all designed to help kids experience a positive sense of self and build strong character. No child is ever turned away for an inability to pay. The Boys & Girls Club of Burbank and Greater East Valley is a 501(c)3 organization. For more information visit us at www.BGCBurbank.org or call 818 842-9333.

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