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To the Friends of the Meriden Boys and Girls Club,

Thank you for your past support of the Boys and Girls Club of Meriden. The last few years have seen dramatic changes at our Club, thanks to people like you. Driven by our strategic objectives to develop more structured and purposeful programs and create a financial model that will make the Club more sustainable, we have made notable progress in the last year to build value for our young members:

- Our Club Kids are now benefitting from our growing **Afterschool Enrichment Program**, with 15 engaging programs including Self-Defense, Lacrosse, Archery, Bird House construction and much more!
- Our camps had a great summer! **Cuno Camp** grew to over 125 weekly campers which represented an increase of almost 100% in the last 3 years! **Camp BGC** averaged over 65 campers weekly, and the quality of both our camps was outstanding. Word is getting out for next year, and we expect even better things for summer 2017!
- Our “Food For Thought” Dinner Program has grown to over 45 young diners every school night, with an adult “Host” at each table to guide the dinner conversation, addressing basic needs in a family-like setting.
- We’re proud to have completed our first ever **Robotics Camp** this past August, a new collaboration with GUS Robotics which then led to the current addition of a Robotics program to the Afterschool Enrichment schedule for our Fall and Winter sessions.

While we’re proud of these accomplishments, we still have a long way to go, and your continued financial support is critical. Thank you, as always, for your kind support of the kids we serve. Please click the Donate button on the homepage for our secure page.

Sincerely,

Lawrence McGoldrick  
Executive Director