



# CLUB MEMBER SUCCESS STORIES

WHERE ARE THEY NOW: 2022



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS**  
OF PALM BEACH COUNTY

## Jermaine Lovely 2022 Youth of the Year County Winner

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**Age:** 18

**Years at the Club:** 7

**High School:** Glades Central Community High School

**College Attending:** Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University (Summer '22)

**Career Interest:** Broadcast Journalism

**Favorite Class:** Math

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** All I think about is getting ready for college.

**Favorite Quote:** “Change will not come if we wait for some other person or if we wait for some other time. We are the ones we’ve been waiting for. We are the change we seek.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is a home, a safe haven where I can go to help myself grow as a person. A place where I can go to make paradigm shifts that will enhance my life athletically and academically.



Jean Dalmacy  
2022 Boca Raton Youth of the Year

**Age:** 17

**Years at the Club:** 10

**High School:** West Boca Raton Community High School

**College Attending:** University of Florida (Fall '22)

**Career Interest:** Chiropractor

**Favorite Class:** Math

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Finishing up school and going off to college.

**Favorite Quote:** "I can do all things through Christ."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is another home for me and my family.



Aryatha Dornezon  
2022 Delray Beach Youth of the Year

**Age:** 17

**Years at the Club:** 10

**High School:** Atlantic Community High School

**College Attending:** Florida State University (Fall '22)

**Career Interest:** Speech Pathologist

**Favorite Class:** English

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Having the chance to learn new and exciting things daily at school.

**Favorite Quote:** "I may be the first woman to hold this office. But I won't be the last."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is where I get to build my character and leadership skills.



## Alysa Williamson 2022 Max M. Fisher Youth of the Year

**Age:** 18

**Years at the Club:** 7

**High School:** Palm Beach Gardens Community High School

**College Attending:** Tallahassee Community College (Fall '22)

**Career Interest:** Anesthesiologist

**Favorite Class:** Forensic Science

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** My full focus is to prepare to leave home and head to college in the fall.

**Favorite Quote:** "He who has a slack hand becomes poor, but the hand of the diligent makes rich."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is my home. It's a place where I can express my feelings and be myself—a place where I can show my leadership skills and be a studious role model to my peers.



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## Valencia Jean 2022 Neil S. Hirsch Youth of the Year

**Age:** 16

**Years at the Club:** 6

**High School:** Palm Beach Central High School

**Dream College:** Florida State University

**Career Interest:** Criminal Defense Lawyer

**Favorite Class:** AVID

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Preparing for my first job as a Junior Club Staff Member.

**Favorite Quote:** "Be the voice for those who don't speak."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is a place of positivity. The environment is so welcoming that I am able to be myself, have fun, and become a better person while also being a leader.



## Kaleb Rolle 2022 Florence De George Youth of the Year

**Age:** 16

**Years at the Club:** 9

**High School:** The Benjamin School

**Dream College:** Florida A&M University

**Career Interest:** General Oncologist or Civil Rights Attorney

**Favorite Class:** English

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Playing spring football means everything as I prepare for a larger role on the team next year.

**Favorite Quote:** “Experience is what forms us into the people we are, but doesn’t define or determine what we can do or who we become.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club means a lot to me because without it I wouldn’t be here. My parents met each other while working at the Club.



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## Marissa Alteus 2022 Marjorie S. Fisher Youth of the Year

**Age:** 17

**Years at the Club:** 10

**High School:** Royal Palm Beach Community High School

**College Attending:** Florida International University (Fall '22)

**Career Interest:** Criminal Justice Attorney

**Favorite Class:** Theory of Knowledge

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** I really enjoy working with and mentoring the younger members in the Club.

**Favorite Quote:** “Use others hate as energy to keep you going.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** A place where I can be myself and surround myself with great people willing to guide me to be the best version of myself.





## Anajiah Graham 2021 Youth of the Year County Winner

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**Age:** 19

**Years at the Club:** 12

**High School:** Glades Central Community High School

**College Attending:** Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University

**Major in College:** Political Science

**Career Interest:** Politics

**Favorite Class:** Introduction to Political Science

**Most exciting thing happening in your life is:** Getting involved in student organizations.

**Favorite Quote:** “It's impossible to have failures, but it is possible to have setbacks.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club means family to me. In all of my 12 years of being a member, every staff I've come in contact with has become family to me. I'm thankful for that.

**Elizabeth Shelby**  
**2021 Neil S. Hirsch Family Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 18

**Years at the Club:** 7

**High School:** Wellington Community High School

**College Attending:** Florida Atlantic University

**Major in College:** Theatre

**Career Interest:** High School Theatre Teacher

**Favorite Class:** Theatre

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Recently attended my first Broadway show.

**Favorite Quote:** “When believing in yourself, don’t look for inspiration and drive in others. Be the drive and inspiration in yourself. That’s worth more than anything.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club taught me to not only believe in myself, but also to be proud of all my accomplishments, big or small. Embrace my beauty and love myself regardless.



**Breanna Bromfield**  
**2021 Marjorie S. Fisher Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 18

**Years at the Club:** 6

**High School:** Palm Beach Lakes Community High School

**College Attending:** Palm Beach State College (Fall '22)

**Career Interest:** Pediatrician

**Favorite Class:** History

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Finishing high school and starting the next chapter.

**Favorite Quote:** “Keep your eyes on the prize.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** It is my home away from home. Coming to the Club has allowed me to find my voice and because of that, I am no longer that shy girl sitting in the corner. I am able to interact with my peers and I love the members.



**Jessica Badeau**  
**2021 Delray Beach Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 17

**Years at the Club:** 5

**High School:** Atlantic Community High School

**College Attending:** University of Florida (Fall '22)

**Career Interest:** Psychologist

**Favorite Class:** English

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** There is nothing better than hitting the road in my first car.

**Favorite Quote:** "When life puts you in tough situations, don't say 'Why me?', say 'Try me.'"

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club helped me come out of my shell ever since I started going there. I loved being able to build a deep connection with others, and take part in many activities. The Club has played a role in who I am today and I will forever be thankful for that.



**Garvey Antoine**  
**2021 Boca Raton Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 19

**Years at the Club:** 10

**High School:** West Boca Raton Community High School

**College Attending:** Florida Atlantic University

**Major in College:** Criminal Justice

**Career Interest:** Lawyer

**Favorite Class:** Criminology

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Having the chance to learn new and exciting things at school daily.

**Favorite Quote:** "If you don't see the change, be the change."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** It has shaped me into the man I am while teaching me values and how to be a caring person.





## Artisha Jackson 2021 Max. M. Fisher Youth of the Year

**Age:** 18

**Years at the Club:** 12

**High School:** Palm Beach Lakes High School

**College Attending:** University of North Florida (Fall '22)

**Career Interest:** Veterinarian / Vet business owner

**Favorite Class:** Chemistry

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** All of my focus is on graduation and preparing for college.

**Favorite Quote:** "Persistence will get you farther than a car ever will."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club brought me out of a dark place and has helped me experience life. This has all shown me that the things that I can experience in life are bigger than my problems.



## Elisha Jenkins 2021 Florence De George Youth of the Year

**Age:** 19

**Years at the Club:** 4

**High School:** Palm Beach Lakes Community High School

**College Attending:** Palm Beach State College

**Major in College:** Information Technology

**Career Interest:** Finance

**Favorite Class:** Introduction to Technology

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Finishing up my internship at Norwest Equity Partners.

**Favorite Quote:** "With the right people in your life, you can achieve anything you set your mind to."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is my home. It has helped me and my family in our time of need. From meals to shoes, and love, the Club has provided a stable home when we needed it the most.



# Alivia Latimore

## 2020 Youth of the Year County Winner

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**Age:** 19

**Years at the Club:** 8

**High School:** Palm Beach Lakes Community High School

**College Attending:** University of Central Florida

**Major in College:** Psychology

**Career Interest:** Clinical Child Psychologist

**Favorite Class:** Developmental Psychology

**Most exciting thing happening in her life is:** Joining different clubs and organizations on campus. I was also recently invited to join a honor society.

**Favorite Quote:** "The best way to accomplish anything is to simply begin."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** It has allowed me to venture out of my shell and become more involved in my community.

Neville L. Brown  
2020 Max M. Fisher Youth of the Year

**Age:** 20

**Years at the Club:** 12

**Technical School:** North Technical Education Center

**Career Interest:** Entrepreneur—HVAC

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Finding out who I am as a person on a deeper level .

**Favorite Quote:** "The Club will give you the tools to let you know how to succeed. Success is doing what you love."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** It means a place where I can always go. This is a place that can heal me and guide me. This is a place that fills me with positivity and happiness. This is a place that's full of success!



Widnie Marcelin  
2020 Delray Beach Youth of the Year

**Age:** 19

**Years at the Club:** 11

**High School:** Atlantic Community High School

**College Attending:** Warner University

**Major in College:** Counseling

**Career Interest:** Psychologist

**Favorite Class:** Math

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Being a part of the college track team.

**Personal Quote:** "Don't wait for success to come to you; go after it."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club means so much to me because it has molded me into a better person from the first day. I value the programs, staff and peers that I will have forever in my heart.





**Teyonna Smith**  
**2020 Neil S. Hirsch Family Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 17  
**Years at the Club:** 11  
**High School:** Wellington Community High School  
**Dream College:** Alabama State University  
**Career Interest:** Professional Dancer  
**Favorite Class:** Dance  
**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Honored to be dancing at Shan Dancing Factory.  
**Favorite Quote:** "At all cost, be yourself."  
**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is a safe environment for teens like myself. It's a second home to me and has helped me grow into the young lady that I am today.



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**Kaulina Desty**  
**2020 Boca Raton Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 18  
**Years at the Club:** 7  
**High School:** Spanish River Community High School  
**College Attending:** Florida Atlantic University (Fall '22)  
**Major in College:** Pre-Business  
**Career Interest:** Lawyer-Advocate for women  
**Favorite Class:** History  
**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** I will be traveling with my senior class to the Bahamas.  
**Favorite Quote:** "It's not the individual who makes a good community, but the community who makes a great individual."  
**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is where I feel proudest. It means I know I am doing something to better myself and my community.



**J'aliyah L. Jenkins**  
**2020 Marjorie S. Fisher Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 20

**Years at the Club:** 6

**High School:** Palm Beach Lakes Community High School

**College Attending:** Valencia College

**Major in College:** Biology

**Career Interest:** Sports Medicine Physician

**Favorite Class:** Sports Medicine

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** I love the time I get to spend with my new adopted puppy.

**Favorite Quote:** "Strive for the best and never give up."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is my family, my second home, somewhere where I know I am safe and supported by everyone. It's like a warm blanket on a cold night. Just right!



**Sulvamette Sylvain**  
**2020 Smith & Moore Family Teen Center Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 19

**Years at the Club:** 7

**High School:** Glades Central Community High School

**College Attending:** Florida Atlantic University

**Major in College:** Nursing

**Career Interest:** Director of Nursing

**Favorite Class:** African American Studies

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** The most exciting thing for me is making new friends in college.

**Favorite Quote:** "Success is what comes after you stop making excuses."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club means everything to me. It's my second home where I can be myself. It's a safe place where I can just have fun and build my confidence even more. The Club is a place where I feel so loved and appreciated.



## Kalayah Samuels 2019 Youth of the Year County Winner

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**Age:** 20

**Years at the Club:** 5 (Three years on Staff while attending college)

**High School:** Palm Beach Lakes Community High School

**College Attending:** Palm Beach Atlantic University

**Major in College:** Counseling

**Career Interest:** Human Services

**Favorite class:** Theater Appreciation

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** I'm excited about making new friends and meeting new people.

**Favorite Quote:** "Why follow others when you can make your own path."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club opened my eyes to furthering my education post high school. It has given me that family bond I felt I was missing.



**Jasmine Myrthil**  
**2019 Max M. Fisher Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 18

**Years at the Club:** 11

**High School:** Inlet Grove Community High School

**College Attending:** Palm Beach State College

**Major in college:** Civil Engineering

**Career Interest:** Civil Engineering

**Favorite class:** Engineering and Architecture

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Serving as Vice President for Klinique Inc., an organization for adolescent girls.

**Favorite Quote:** “Faith is taking the first step even when you don’t see the whole staircase.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?**

My Club has given me so many opportunities and experiences that I am able to continuously enjoy, in a setting that inspires me.



**Derry Gaspard**  
**2019 Delray Beach Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 21

**Years at the Club:** 6

**High School:** Atlantic Community High School

**College Attending:** Adventist Health University

**Major in College:** Nursing

**Career Interest:** Nurse Anesthetist

**Favorite Class:** Anatomy and Physiology

**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** The most exciting thing happening in my life right now is I am getting my Associate of Arts degree.

**Favorite Quote:** “There is no rock stronger than your will.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is a place for youth to have fun, learn, and participate in many activities.



Janayah Strachan  
2019 Neil S. Hirsch Family Youth of the Year

**Age:** 19  
**Years at the Club:** 12  
**High School:** Wellington Community High School  
**College Attending:** Indian River State College  
**Major in College:** Nursing  
**Career Interest:** Pediatrician  
**Favorite Class:** Psychology  
**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** Taking the leap to become more closely connected with my heritage by way of starting my natural hair journey.  
**Favorite Quote:** “Practice makes perfect.”  
**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is a safe haven and my happy place.



Joshua Desvieux  
2019 Boca Raton Youth of the Year

**Age:** 17  
**Years at the Club:** 11  
**High School:** Olympic Heights High School  
**College Attending:** Palm Beach State College (Fall '22)  
**Career Interest:** Radiologist Technician  
**Favorite Class:** History  
**Most exciting thing happening in your life:** I'm very excited to be graduating and heading to college in the fall.  
**Favorite Quote:** “You live and learn. At any rate, you live.”  
**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** It is a place empowering the future minds of America to take the next step.





Nicholas Polycarpe  
2019 Marjorie S. Fisher Youth of the Year

**Age:** 20

**Years at the Club:** 8

**High School:** Palm Beach Lakes Community High School

**College Attending :** Florida Atlantic University

**Major in College:** Multimedia Studies

**Career Interest:** Director/Videographer

**Favorite Class:** Digital Video Editing

**Most exciting thing happening in your life right now:**

“The most exciting thing that is happening in my life right now is finishing my school year strong.”

**Favorite Quote:** “Just be yourself.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club is like a lifelong friend who has always been there for me when I needed him.



Tyler Abercrombie  
2019 Smith & Moore Family Teen Center Youth of the Year

**Age:** 20

**Years at the Club:** 4

**High School:** Glades Central Community High School

**College Attending:** Palm Beach State College

**Major in College:** Communications

**Career Interest:** Public Relations

**Favorite Class:** Philosophy

**Most exciting thing happening in your life right now:**

The most exciting thing happening right now is working as a program assistant with Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County.

**Favorite Quote:** “I can be whatever I want to be in life, except a failure.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** Not to sound like a cliché, but the club is my home away from home.





## David Wooten 2018 Youth of the Year County Winner

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**Age:** 21

**Years at the Club:** 13

**High School:** Inlet Gove Community High School

**College Attended:** Florida Atlantic University (Graduated)

**Major in College:** General Studies, specializing in Psychology

**Career Interest:** Marketing

**Favorite Class:** Coding

**Most exciting thing happening in his life is:** Graduating and watching as a new chapter unfolds, while searching for the right opportunity in marketing to present itself.

**Favorite Quote:** “Be phenomenal or be forgotten.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** It was a place I could conduct myself in a way that not only my sisters can look up to, but also other Club members and my community.

**Joshua Perez**  
**2018 Smith & Moore Family Teen Center Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 22

**Years at the Club:** 6

**High School:** Glades Central Community High School

**College Attending:** Palm Beach State College

**Major in College:** Biomedical Engineering

**Career Interest:** Medical Engineer

**Favorite Class:** Arts Appreciation

**Most exciting thing happening in your life right now:**

The most exciting thing in my life right now is the chance to be heading back to school.

**Favorite Quote:** “God helps those who help themselves.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club reinforced my parents guidance to have high expectations and make great choices in life.



**Tahnya Orr**  
**2018 Max M. Fisher Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 22

**Years at the Club:** 13

**High School:** Palm Beach Lakes Community High School

**College Attending:** Palm Beach State College

**Major in College:** Nursing

**Career Interest:** Nursing

**Favorite Class:** Math

**Most exciting thing happening in your life right now:** I enjoy my work as a pharmacy technician and moving closer to home to finish college in the fall.

**Favorite Quote:** “I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.”

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** I have been profoundly impacted by the Boys & Girls Club. I hope to stay close to the organization after college.



**Asia Vance**  
**2018 Marjorie Fisher Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 21  
**Years at the Club:** 7  
**High School:** Palm Beach Lakes Community High School  
**College Attending:** Florida Career College  
**Major in College:** Early Childhood Education  
**Career Interest:** Teaching  
**Favorite Class:** Business  
**Most exciting thing happening in your life right now:**  
Being a mommy to my two beautiful daughters Xolani & Armani. Serving in the US Army Reserves.  
**Favorite Quote:** "I'm a woman Phenomenally. Phenomenal woman, That's me."  
**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club provided me the tools to be a better role model for my younger siblings.



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**Jeremy Lawrence**  
**2019 Neil S. Hirsch Family Youth of the Year**

**Age:** 22  
**Years at the Club:** 8  
**High School:** Wellington Community High School  
**Career Training:** Learning to be a trainer at an equestrian facility  
**Area of Focus:** Agriculture-Science  
**Career Interest:** Horse Training  
**Favorite Training:** Learning to be a farm mechanic  
**Most exciting thing happening in your life right now:**  
My engagement is number one on my list.  
**Favorite Quote:** "Choose your love; love your choice."  
**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** It meant so much to mentor younger Club members and find a passion for helping youth who are experiencing rage and rebellion like I once did.





## Donia Beau-Frere 2018 Delray Beach Youth of the Year

**Age:** 20

**Years at the Club:** 8

**High School:** Atlantic Community High School

**College Attending:** Florida State University

**Major in College:** Finance Risk Management

**Career Interest:** Chief Financial Officer

**Favorite Class:** Business Calculus

**Most exciting thing happening in your life right now:**

Being a member of Sistuh's Inc., a service organization for women of color.

**Favorite Quote:** "Anything is possible if you set your mind to it."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club truly helped me come out of my shell and find my voice.



## Yourhi Dalmacy 2018 Boca Raton Youth of the Year

**Age:** 19

**Years at the Club:** 11

**High School:** Boca Raton Community High School

**College Attending:** Palm Beach State College

**Major in College:** Finance

**Career Interest:** Author

**Favorite class:** English

**Most exciting thing happening in your life right now:**

The most exciting thing happening for me right now is being with friends and family.

**Favorite Quote:** "I never lost a game, I just ran out of time."

**What does your Boys & Girls Club mean to you?** The Club was my true introduction to American culture outside of school.



## Je'Cynthia Nonar 2017 Youth of the Year County Winner

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**Age:** 22

**Years At the Club:** 13

**High School:** Glades Central Community High School

**College Attended:** Howard University (Graduated)

**Major in College:** Business Marketing

**Current Job:** Entrepreneur—Founder at Cynnsational Brands

**Career Interest:** Marketing

**Favorite class:** Representative Thinkers

**Most exciting thing happening in your life right now:** “The most exciting thing for me is starting my business, Cynnsational Brands.”

**Favorite Quote:** “If you can make it through the night, there is a brighter day.”

## Alexia Lyles-Murray 2016 Youth of the Year County Winner

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**Age:** 23

**Years at the Club:** 6

**High School:** Suncoast Community High School

**College Attended:** Florida Memorial University (Graduated)

**College Attending:** University of South Florida

**Major in College:** Master's in Medical Sciences

**Current Job:** Retail Manager

**Career Interest:** General Surgeon

**Favorite class:** Genetics

**Most exciting thing happening in your life right now:** "Receiving a promotion to manager at work."

**Favorite Quote:** "Success is liking yourself, what you do and how you do it."





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**MISSION**

The mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County is to enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.

**VISION**

The vision of Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County is to provide a world-class Club experience that assures success is within reach of every young person who walks through our doors, with all members on track to graduate from high school with a plan for the future, demonstrating good character and citizenship, and living a healthy lifestyle.

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