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### Boys & Girls Club awarded Nearly \$6,000

Borderland Boys & Girls Club received a grant worth almost \$6,000 from the Taco Bell Foundation on Aug. 22 to support more than 150 youth in the Gallup community. The funds will go toward delivering a wide range of fun and engaging programs that assist in nurturing positive relationships, developing attitudes and behaviors that help children succeed in school and become economically self-sufficient and develop healthy family and community relationships.

Borderland Boys & Girls Club is one of more than 400+ youth-serving organizations that will receive a portion of the \$7 million in Community Grants presented by the Taco Bell Foundation this year. The grants are part of the Taco Bell Foundation's mission to break down barriers to education and fuel young people's boldest ambitions.

"The Boys & Girls Club of Gallup supported over 150 children this past summer with fun and engaging programming. The Club strives to provide our local youth with a safe, positive environment and caring mentors. We would greatly welcome volunteers who want to work with children, impact their lives, and be a positive role model!" Marisa Hutchinson, the CEO of Gallup's Boys & Girls Club, said during the check presentation.

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The club is responsible for ensuring that many children in the area after school are fed and continue their learning experience. Volunteers and board members are greatly needed to assist in these operations.

***Contact the Boys & Girls Club of Gallup at (505) 468-2378 for more information about volunteering.***

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