



ORGANIZATION OVERVIEW ***

Bridgeport Organization for Youth Sports, Inc. (BOYS, INC.) is a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit, volunteer-based organization determined to ignite the intellectual qualities of young scholars by providing school-aged girls and boys vital exposure to preparatory education and non-traditional athletic resources. Our collective goal of utilizing and transforming facilities across the City of Bridgeport (CT) and surrounding districts ensures every school-aged scholar has safe and supervised year-round multi-service educational, recreational and character-building activities, where he or she will be exposed to **Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM)** disciplines. Bridgeport Organization for Youth Sports, affectionately known as BOYS, Inc. runs on three progressive conduits: Academics, Athletics and Mentorship and provides enriching programs: **After School, Saturday Academy, Summer Camp, Mentoring** and **Leadership** programs for boys and girls grades K-12.

» STUDENT PARTICIPATION

After School	251 Boys & Girls	
Saturday Academy	40 Boys & Girls	\$35 /week per student
Summer Camp	65 Boys & Girls	
Athletics (Flag Football)	165 Boys & Girls	Bridgeport Parks & Rec.

Athletic program will expand by including other non-traditional sports including soccer, lacrosse, tennis, golf and chess channeling scholars to other existing programs – cost would be a contribution fee.

» FUNDING

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT (THE MAYOR'S OFFICE) – Funding withheld in 2017 (\$10,000) due to impasse on State budget. 2016 funding was \$12,500. Supports summer programs including leadership, mentoring and job readiness programs.

THE WORK PLACE – Leadership grant for out of school boys and girls ages 16-24. Funding of \$75,000 was received for the 2016/2017 year. **Funding for 2017/2018 is held up by State budget impasse.**

ROTARY CLUB OF BRIDGEPORT – 2016/2017 funding \$25,000. Supports STEAM Saturday Academy during the school year (36 weeks) from 8-10am for grades 3-12.

» FACILITIES

NEW BEGINNINGS CHARTER SCHOOL (GARDEN STREET) – facilities are used for the BOYS, INC. after school program – 251 scholars, 32 employees plus materials. Value is \$265,000 for the 2016/2017 school year. **School is on hold for the 2017/2018 school year due to the State budget impasse.** As a result, BOYS, Inc is using alternative space such as Hall Neighborhood House at no cost.

CLAYTOR MAGNET SCHOOL – expected funding from the Bridgeport Board of Education of \$82,000 upheld by State budget impasse.



Housatonic Community College

Hall Neighborhood House

Bridgeport Public Library

Orcutt Boys & Girls Club

The Work Place



In kind services
for both summer
and regular
programs

SUCCESS STATISTICS ***

After School Program - 251 Boys and Girls

167 Scholars on the 2016/17 Honor Roll

85 are now reading at grade level

Saturday Academy - 40 Boys and Girls

32 Scholars on the 2016/17 Honor Roll

4 have graduated on to high school

Summer Camp - 65 Scholars Completed a Community Garden Service Project

Athletics (Flag Football) - 165 Scholars have matriculated to the next grade level for the 2017-2018 school years.

The Work Place - Out of School Youth (OSY) Leadership program 2016 – 2017

52 Scholars

14 scholars out of 16 scholars have past the GED

36 scholars received a summer internship, 15 of whom were Camp Counsellors for BOYS, Inc. STEAM Summer Camp.

VISION ***

We are committed to improving the lives of our scholar-athletes by providing quality services, programs and activities that earns the trust and builds lifetime relationships within our community; while empowering even our most disadvantaged scholars to reach their highest potential to attain academic and athletic excellence. The **Bridgeport Organization for Youth Sports (BOYS)**, Inc. needs to pursue different sources of sponsorship to ensure that its programs are sustainable from year to year and not subject to the city and state government programs. BOYS, Inc. has been operating on a thin margin in 2017 due to the lack of funding normally received from the City of Bridgeport/Board of Education (which is dependent on the State government).