

## STRENGTHENING YOUTH, STRENGTHENING COMMUNITIES

# **ANNUAL REPORT 2018**

## **MISSION**

Youth Boxing for Change utilizes boxing as a vehicle to empower young people from under-resourced communities to develop their sense of social responsibility.

## 2018 HIGHLIGHTS



# MENTORSHIP PROGRAM LAUNCH

We started off the year by welcoming 26 inaugural mentors to officially launch our Mentorship Program, and are ending the year with an additional 14. Each of our teens was matched up with one

of our amazing mentors, who checked in with them regularly, gave them guidance, helped with classes, and participated in service outings and activities.



#### **BOXING**

We introduced beginner and intermediate classes so our returning teens could build on what they already learned, which allowed beginners to get the extra attention they needed to learn the fundamentals. Advanced teens also got

the opportunity to expand their boxing training with sparring drills.



#### **ACTIVITIES**

Our enrichment activities this year were organized to teach important life lessons - while still having fun. An improv workshop encouraged us to confidently take on new challenges; a salsa dance workshop helped us become brave and over-

come our fears; and a public speaking workshop gave us invaluable skills that are needed in everyday life.

# SERVICE AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Our teens, mentors, team members and volunteers served the community throughout the year. In the Fall, we launched the YB4C Day of Service, where our teens participated in volunteering at ei-



ther a Soup Kitchen & Food Pantry, Delivering Meals to Seniors, or Teaching Boxing to Seniors.

We also encouraged our teens to use their voices for change. In March, we brought our teens to participate in the NYC March for Our Lives, a national student-led demonstration supporting tighter gun control. As always, we end our service outings with a reflection to give thought on what we learned, and to appreciate each others compassion and courage.

# FUNDRAISING AND ENGAGEMENT

Thanks to your support, we had a record breaking year! We are so grateful for the ongoing engagement and contributions we received from volunteers and donors throughout the year.



In addition, we hosted a Box, Salsa and Wine event for adults to have fun while supporting our work. In the fall we launched our first ever online campaign, "Sponsor a YB4C Teen," which was a huge success.

Thanks to our success this past year, we can continue our work serving youth in New York through our mission of service and social responsibility through boxing!



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ABOUT Through Service, Social Responsibility & Strength, Youth Boxing for Change empowers under-resourced teens of all gender identities with boxing, service, OUR WORK empowers under-resourced teenagers.

### **BOXING**

Boxing classes provide our youth with discipline, physical and mental strength, which has the capability to empower and positively affect other aspects of their lives.



#### **SFRVICE**

Service and leadership opportunities empower our youth to make change in their communities and develop a sense of social responsibility.



We match each youth participant with a dedicated mentor to give them support and guidance both inside and outside the boxing ring.

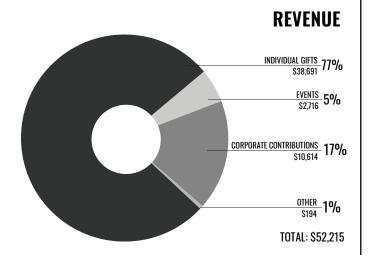


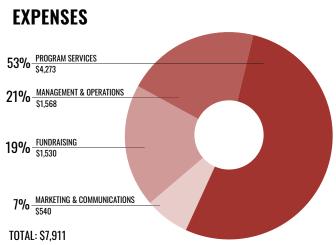
### **ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES**

Enrichment activities expose our youth to unique experiences, people, and ideas beyond their everyday interactions.

## 2018 FINANCIALS

January 1 - December 31, 2018





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