

## City Kids Donates \$5,000 to Salesian Boys & Girls Club of East Boston

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Shown (from left) on the first day of Summer Camp at the Salesian Boys & Girls Club of East Boston are Michael Triant,

Salesian Boys & Girls Club executive director; Justin Baldassari, Salesian Boys & Girls Club After School &

Out of School Time Services Director; and City Realty Group vice president James Caruso, representing City Kids.

Boston, MA City Kids, a youth education nonprofit founded by City Realty Group managing partners Fred Starikov and Stephen Whalen, donated \$5,000 to the Salesian Boys & Girls Club of East Boston. City Kids makes this donation to support Salesians' efforts to ensure families can send their children to summer camp, regardless of economic status. Located at 150 Byron St. in East Boston, the Salesian Boys & Girls Club mission is to provide a home that welcomes, a playground where lasting friendships are made, a club that evangelizes by shaping moral character and values, and a school atmosphere that prepares life. This is the latest in a series of donations by City Kids.

City Realty Group vice president of operations James Caruso visited the Salesian Boys & Girls Club of East Boston on the first day of summer camp to personally hand the donation to executive director Michael Triant. The two grew up in East Boston together and participated in the Salesian Boys & Girls Club summer camps during their youth. Triant is also the Winthrop High School Boys Varsity Basketball coach. His coaching career goes back decades where he would coach Caruso in Saturday morning house leagues.

"Salesians do a great job keeping children active and participating in valuable activities," said Caruso. "I enjoyed the days I spent here growing up and want to make sure the next generation has the resources they need to succeed. Hopefully, by seeing an alumni give back they will do the same someday for this club."

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