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AGC MA hosts service day with renovations to Boys & Girls Club

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Dorchester, MA On Friday, October 28th, the Construction Leadership Council of the Associated General Contractors of Massachusetts (AGC MA) renovated and restored the McLaughlin Center and Marr Clubhouse of the Boys & Girls Club of Dorchester, located in the Savin Hill area of the city. This organization is a beloved nonprofit institution that provides a safe place for more than 4,000 young people to learn, explore, play, and make friends, all for a membership fee of only \$5 per year.

The all-day event featured the participation of more than 120 volunteers from 30+ area construction firms and subcontractors. The project addressed much-needed maintenance and repairs at the McLaughlin Center at 35 Deer St., and Marr Clubhouse at 1135 Dorchester Ave., which are the

main administrative and program spaces for the club. Volunteers patched, painted, replaced, and repaired walls, ceilings, fixtures, and furniture throughout the Boys & Girls Clubs. To mark the community impact, Boston city councilor Frank Baker joined the group.

“AGC MA’s annual Community Service Day is an opportunity for our young professionals’ group to take ownership of an entire project and donate their skills and expertise to a deserving community organization. Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester has deep ties with the construction industry and is a daily reminder of the impact that we can have through volunteerism and service to the community,” said John Ferrante, CEO of AGC MA. “We’re thrilled our members stepped up with the materials and came out to do the work of providing a much-needed refresh of this foundational institution.”

“We are able to provide much-needed community services thanks to the generous contributions of our donors and supporters,” said Mike Joyce, VP of programming, Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester.

“We are thrilled that Associated General Contractors of Massachusetts and its very generous member companies were able to help us with much-needed facility repairs that will ensure that Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester remains a warm, welcoming, and safe community resource.”

Among the items addressed during AGC MA’s Community Service Day were patching walls, replacing doors and ceiling tiles, painting rooms and the entire gymnasium, servicing the HVAC systems, installing new carpeting and flooring, and donating new furniture and electronics.

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