



## City Manager's Office

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### MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** May 14, 2024  
**TO:** Mayor and City Council  
**THROUGH:** Doug Thornley, City Manager Approved Electronically  
**FROM:** Nathan Ullyot, Director of Parks and Recreation  
**SUBJECT:** Sierra Kids service handoff for school year 2024/2025

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This memo is an update about the “handing off” of the operation of two (2) Sierra Kids before and after school sites to the Boys and Girls Club of Truckee Meadows (BGC) at the beginning of the upcoming school year (2024-2025). This decision results after nearly a year of coordination between the City of Reno, Washoe County School District (WCSD) and the BGC. The organizations share a collaborative goal of best serving the community through these types of services and have identified an opportunity to address the duplication of services at these schools. By handing off the program services to the BGC, City of Reno resources are now able to be reallocated to other geographic and service areas of the city to better meet the needs of Reno residents.

The before and after school services at Hunter Lake and Dodson Elementary Schools will transition care to the BGC for next school year. The BGC provides services near and to these schools through bussing of students to and from BGC facilities. With a longstanding commitment to youth development and a proven track record of providing comprehensive after-school programs, the BGC is well-equipped to oversee these programs and ensure the continued well-being and enrichment of our community's children.

As mentioned above, the City of Reno resources will be reallocated to allow for greater participation and to meet the needs at other Sierra Kids sites and future sites. No City of Reno staff will be losing their jobs as a part of this transition. There is a need for the staff at other programs. Communication will be made with Sierra Kids program parents over the next week to explain the transition and connect them with the new service provider. Please let me know if you have any questions.