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Dear Eden Community,

It's with deep sadness and a heavy heart that we share incredibly difficult news about our **Eden Boys & Girls Club Site**. After the conclusion of our summer programming on **August 15th, 2025**, the Eden site will be closing its doors and **will not be offering a fall program at this location**.

Please know this was not a decision we made lightly. Our Board of Directors and leadership team have explored every possible avenue to keep the Eden site open. We tirelessly pursued all available options, including applying for grants, seeking municipal support, setting up a GoFundMe, reaching out to current and past major donors and corporate sponsors, and investigating potential new locations within the Eden Central School District. We even considered restructuring membership fees, but the financial shortfall was simply too large to overcome by that method alone.

This closure is the result of a complex combination of several financial challenges that we worked incredibly hard to solve. We've been committed to transparency throughout this process and did our best to keep families informed every step of the way. We know many of you have been aware of the challenges we've been facing, and we deeply appreciate your patience, support, and concern as we navigated them.

To all the families and community members who have stood by us – **THANK YOU!** Your trust and support have meant everything. We are so grateful for the memories, the milestones, and the friendships formed through this program. Most of all, we are immensely proud of the positive and lasting impact the Eden site has had on the lives of the youth we served.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to me or our Board President via the emails listed below. To ensure you receive accurate information, please direct all inquiries to us. Our dedicated site staff are focused on providing a meaningful and positive summer experience for the kids.

This is a heartbreaking moment, but we remain hopeful that the spirit of this community and its commitment to youth will carry on in a new, meaningful way.

Sincerely,

The Management and Board of Directors Boys & Girls Club of Eden-Lake Shore Eden

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