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RECORD NUMBER OF ATHLETES KICK OFF OLNEY BOYS & GIRLS CLUB 2025 SPRING SPORTS SEASON

Olney, MD. – The leadership of the <u>Olney Boys and Girls Community Sports Association</u> (OBGC or Club), a non-profit sports organization in Olney, Maryland, which is dedicated to providing children with safe after-school and summer sports programs, announces an all-time high number of athletes participating in its spring sports season.

"More than 2,200 youth are enrolled in a spring sport with the Club, which is fantastic," said Brad Scott, Executive Director of the Club. "We are thrilled to offer more kids the opportunity to be active physically and for sports to support their overall well-being."

OBGC's spring 2025 sports are for children between the ages of five and 15, and include the following sports: t-ball, house baseball, boys and girls lacrosse, flag football, instructional, developmental and house soccer, soccer bugs, house softball, and multi-sport.

"OBGC's mission from day one of our founding is to offer every child the opportunity to play in sports regardless of their ability to afford registration fees," added Scott. The Club's *Youth Scholarship Program* allows for every child to play and is supported by the Club's two primary fundraising events, *Field of Screams* and *Winter City Lights*.

This year, the demand for OBGC youth scholarships is expected to exceed prior years, and the Club's leadership is committed to meeting that need. In 2024, nearly 370 scholarships were awarded. Caregivers are encouraged to apply for youth scholarships <u>here</u>.

OBGC youth sports would not be possible without the ongoing support of the community and the hundreds of commissioners, coaches, referees, parents, and volunteers who donate their time, talents, and resources to ensure greater Olney kids can play organized sports each season.

OBGC thanks the community for patronizing and/or thanking OBGC's 2025 sponsors: Shlash Orthodontics, Montgomery College, Medstar Montgomery Medical Center, TruGreen, Sandy Spring Bank, ServPro, Olney Sunoco, and the Karen Rollings Realty Team.

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About The Olney Boys and Girls Club (OBGC)

Founded in 1969, the Olney Boys and Girls Community Sports Association (OBGC) is a volunteer-based, non-profit that provides children of all ages with structured & safe sports programs that emphasize physical, social, and emotional development. Offering both recreational and competitive opportunities across a spectrum of sports, OBGC helps kids to build confidence, self-esteem and leadership while striving to cultivate a lifelong interest in sports, health, and teamwork. For more information about OBGC, visit https://obgc.com/ or follow the organization on X, Instagram, or Facebook.