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# ROCKWORKS Gulf Coast [re]Build

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## INTRODUCTION

Our mission is to rebuild vital services in the Gulf Coast region in an efficient and effective way that will bring people together and rekindle a sense of community in the aftermath of the Katrina disaster.

Rather than simply rebuilding the Boys & Girls Club damaged by Katrina, ROCKWORKS and its partners have come together to build a revolutionary new kind of community based facility -- a Boys & Girls Club of the Gulf Coast (BGCGC) HOPE Center.

## HOPE CENTER CONCEPT

The "HOPE" in HOPE Centers stands for Home to Opportunity, Possibility and Empowerment. The HOPE Center concept is to expand its impact by combining the resources, programs and talents of several organizations into one location where people from across the community can come together.

**Vision:** The BGCGC HOPE Center will create a safe, vibrant environment where people are supported to be healthy, knowledgeable, independent, productive, responsible and caring citizens.

**Mission:** The BGCGC HOPE Center is committed to uniting the community and improving quality of life through the provision of services, education and advocacy.

### Quick Facts

**PROGRAM:**

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**PROJECT TITLE:**

Forest Heights Boys & Girls Club Hope Center

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

ROCKWORKS and its partners are rebuilding the devastated community of Forest Heights, starting with a new HOPE Center to replace the original Boys & Girls Club destroyed in hurricane Katrina.

**PROJECT LOCATION:**

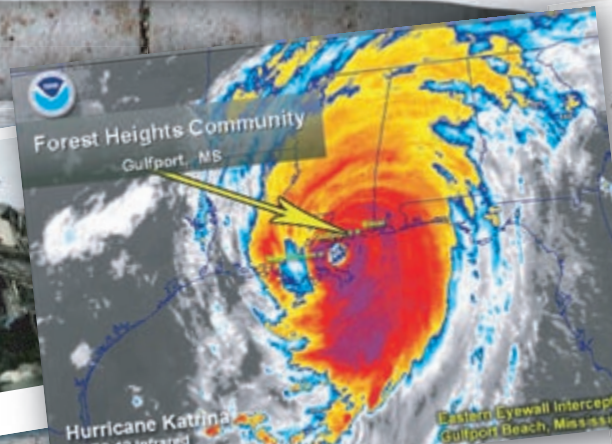
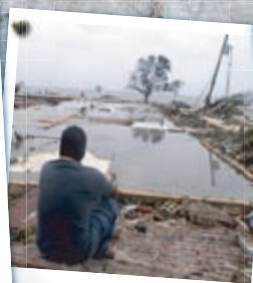
Community of Forest Heights, Gulfport, Mississippi

**PROJECT OBJECTIVES:**

1. To rebuild an expand the Forest Heights facility to accommodate not only the needs Forest Heights residents and their children, but also the surrounding community of North Gulfport.
2. Establish a cornerstone for North Gulfport residents to begin rebuilding their lives with social services and educational programs housed at the new facility.

**PARTNERS:**

- ROCKWORKS
- Boys & Girls Club of the Gulf Coast
- Brett Favre Fourward Foundation
- Force of Nature Aid Foundation
- Operation Hope/Hope Coalition America



## PARTNERSHIP & COLLABORATION

ROCKWORKS and the BGC GC are working with Brett Favre Fourward Foundation, Force of Nature Aid Foundation and Operation Hope/Hope Coalition America to coordinate the effort of building the Center and raising funds to sustain the new facilities services and programs. The benefits of this approach extend far beyond the construction of the new facility. Joint use of facilities naturally leads to collaboration on the program level.

Bringing together diverse groups of people generates important social resources including safety and security, sense of community, problem solving capacity, collective efficiency, and civic engagement. The new HOPE Center will cooperate with local community services to provide opportunities for additional community groups and organizations to augment the facility and its amenities.

## NEW FACILITY DESIGN

Architectural design services for the Forest Heights BGC GC Hope Center are being provided by world renowned architect Daniel Libeskind of Studio Daniel Libeskind in New York City. Mr. Libeskind is an international figure in architectural practice and urban design, well versed in designing municipal buildings and multi-purpose structures. Most recently, Mr. Libeskind was commissioned to design the new World Trade Center and 911 Memorial to commemorate the tragedy on September 11th 2001.



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