

Girls Place, Inc.




A Place to Go...

...A Place to Grow

Mission

Girls Place is a non-profit organization dedicated to empowering girls of all racial, religious and economic backgrounds to GROW confident, strong, and independent in order to thrive in the world around them

Objectives for our girls

- G**ive to themselves and others around them in order to achieve a sense of pride and self-worth.
 - R**each their highest intellectual and emotional potential by exploring and developing their personal strengths and interests.
 - O**pen their eyes in a climate free from gender stereotypes where they are inspired to discover their unique abilities and their relationship to our community.
 - W**ork at developing meaningful relationships that foster their freedom of expression, their responsibility to themselves and others, and their integrity and compassion.
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History (1985 - 2010)

March - April 1981 The Gainesville Junior Woman's Club began investigating the need and interests for a girls club in the community with surveys and public meetings

November 1981 The Girls Club of Alachua County was issued non-profit status

January 1985 Renae Clements (the current executive director) was hired

June 1985 The first Girls Club summer day camp was held at Sidney Lanier School, run by volunteers and was an incredible success

November 1985 The City of Gainesville granted Girls Club 5.3 acres of land

April 1986 Construction commenced on the Girls Club clubhouse

August 1987 The first after school program at the Girls Club of Alachua County Clubhouse was inaugurated

January 1988 United Way announced the Girls Club as one of their affiliated agents

April 1991 A fifteen member rotating Board of Directors of the Girls Club of Alachua County Foundation was created and officers were elected

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September 2008 The Girls Club underwent a name change and officially became known as Girls Place, Inc.



Programs

- ▶ After School Sports and Recreation Camp
- ▶ Athletics
 - Spring and Fall Volleyball
 - Track and Field
 - Basketball
 - Summer Sports Camps
- ▶ Specialty Classes
- ▶ Summer Day Camp



Members

- ▶ Girls ages 5–18 can participate in any program
 - Girls come from different religious and ethnic backgrounds



Get involved

- ▶ Volunteer
- ▶ Donations
 - Wish list
 - Financial support
- ▶ Special events
 - 1st Annual Swamp Chomp
 - 1st Annual Taste and Toast–Dec. 31st
 - 8th Hats, Hearts and Handbags–April 8
 - 18th Annual BBQ lunch
 - 2011 Urban Meyer Scramble–Feb. 19th
 - Annual Meeting & Awards Ceremony



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