

# Lakers and club score 20 new computers

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Lakers star Steve Blake on Monday helped deliver 20 new computers to the Boys and Girls Club in Bur-

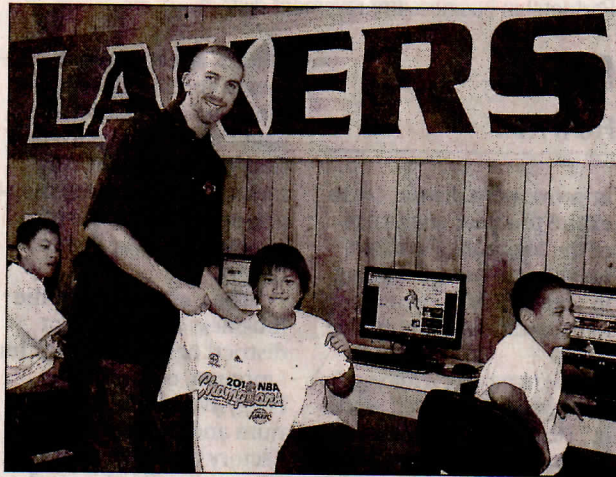
**Hewlett-Packard and basketball team provide equipment, complete with three printers and set-up.**

bank — a major boost for basketball fans and for the nonprofit, which has picked up some of the

slack left by shrinking afterschool programs.  
The new Hewlett-Packard computers are heaven-

sent gifts for the Boys and Girls Club of Burbank and

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Lakers guard Steve Blake presents a souvenir T-shirt to Aaron Chang, 10, in the computer lab at the Burbank Boys & Girls Club on Monday. Blake was on hand to help donate 20 computers to the organization.

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Greater East Valley and its aging technology lab, said Executive Director Shanna Warren.

"We had one before, but they were all really old and all the computers were donated," Warren said. "They were all different and had very little memory on them."

The old computers were cleaned up as much as possible and donated to the schools where the club operates throughout Burbank, she said.

The children who use the club, who are between the ages of six and 18, will be able to use the computers to participate in programs such as Club Tech and Net-Smartz, as well as to complete research and finish their homework before heading home in the afternoon. The gift was a result of a partnership between the Lakers and technology firm Hewlett-Packard.

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thought of us and trusted us to be the right fit for this gift," Warren said.

Lakers fan Leon Kyselev, 12, a student at John Muir Middle School, was excited to meet Blake and for the excuse to spend more time on the team's website.

"I'm really excited for the new computers," he said. "I'm happy I can use them for the Internet and to play games...and for homework."

The donation also included three printers, full installation and set up to the club's network.

Students in the computer lab had their first assignments on the new desktops Monday: talk about their experience that afternoon and what they want to be when they grow up.

"After this afternoon I am really motivated and glad I can do my homework and book reports on these computers," said 12-year-old Rosio Iniquez, adding that she wants to be a nurse.

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