YMCA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The YMCA of Marquette County raises critical dollars to provide financial assistance to kids and families in our community to access YMCA membership and programs. The mission of the YMCA demonstrates a commitment to ensuring that everyone is welcome at the YMCA– regardless of ability to pay.

YMCA MISSION

To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind and body for all.





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YMCA Financial Assistance



YMCA OF MARQUETTE COUNTY

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HOW DO I APPLY?

- Obtain an application at the front desk at either YMCA of Marquette County location or online at ymcamqt.org.
- Submit the completed application, verification of all income sources and your last 1040 tax return, in person or by mail. Incomplete applications will cause a delay in processing.
- You will be notified by mail of your financial award within two weeks.
- Sign up for your membership within 60 days to begin enjoying all of the benefits and opportunities available at the YMCA.
- Contact the YMCA at 906.227.9622 with any questions you may have.

WHY DOES THE YMCA REQUEST FINANCIAL INFORMATION?

We want to be sure that assistance goes to those most in need. With information to verify income and family size, we can award scholarships in a fair and consistent manner.

WHO WILL SEE MY INFORMATION?

Your information is confidential and will only be seen by the YMCA Financial Assistance committee.

HOW MUCH WILL I PAY?

The program works as a partnership with each individual or family and the YMCA. The exact amount of the partnership depends on the extent of the need. We work to help as many people as possible with limited resources. The maximum membership scholarship is 80%. This means the lowest rate a family pays for membership is \$13.20 per month, plus a joining fee.

IS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE FOR PROGRAMS?

Awards are available for selected programs, as well. Financial assistance are not provided for specialty programs or services such as private swim lessons, personal training or birthday parties.

HOW LONG DO AWARDS LAST?

Financial assistance IS awarded for 12 or 24 months. At that time, you may complete a new financial assistance application, cancel your membership or change to a full paying member. If your income increases during your award period, you are required to notify the YMCA. Failure to do so may make you ineligible for future awards.

HOW CAN I PAY FOR MY MEMBERSHIP?

Participants can pay for their YMCA membership in the following ways:

- 6 or 12 month full pay
- Monthly (bank draft)
- Monthly: You are responsible for paying by the 5th of each month.

CAN I SKIP PAYING FOR SOME MONTHS?

When the YMCA awards financial assistance, we commit to you for a period of 6 to 24 months. Since this is a partnership, we expect you to commit to the YMCA for that time, as well. To cancel your membership, you complete a cancellation form at either of the YMCA facilities. You are welcome to reapply at a later date.

Financial assistance participants may not place their membership on hold.

HOW DOES THE YMCA FUND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE?

We count on the generosity of our members and partners to keep our doors open to whoever needs a place to go to help them be more healthy, confident, connected and secure.

The YMCA Annual Campaign funds are directed toward scholarships for children, families, and individuals to participate in the Y's outstanding program offerings in Marquette County.