



YWCA Gettysburg & Adams County
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Membership Financial Assistance Program Application

Applications submitted without income verification cannot be considered and will be returned to the applicant.

In 1926, the YWCA Gettysburg & Adams County opened its doors as a women’s membership organization. The YWCA of today has flourished and grown into an organization that provides programs and services for women, men, and children of all ages, races, religions and economic levels.

Thank you for your interest in YWCA membership. The YWCA’s Membership Assistance Program provides financial aid for participation in YWCA programs. Assistance is provided on a sliding fee scale and is made possible through private and corporate donations and proceeds from the annual Bubba Bash Volleyball Tournament. All application information for aid is kept confidential. Applications will be reviewed in the order they are received, and some applications may be placed on a waiting list until funds become available. Not all requests can be granted.

Please be sure that this application is completely filled out and that all requested paperwork is attached or your application cannot be considered. In the unlikely situation that your application is approved, but funding does not become available for six months, you must resubmit current financial income statements before an award will be made. Submit this application in a sealed envelope marked “Membership Assistance Program Committee.”

Financial aid is provided on a six-month basis. A co-pay by the recipient applies to all programs. At the end of six months, users must submit a new application and new income verification paperwork.

STEP #1 Applicant information:

Name : _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Home: Phone Number _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

The following information is for use in grant writing and is strictly voluntary. Choosing not to complete this information will not affect the approval of your application. Please circle the category with which you most closely identify:

American Indian Alaska Native Asian/Pacific Islander African American White Hispanic/Latino Other

STEP #2 Family / Household Members:

A. List all those living in the household, including spouses, other adults and children, even if they will not be included in the YWCA membership.

_____	_____	_____	_____	<u>Y / N</u>
Name	Date of Birth	Age	Relationship	Include in membership?
_____	_____	_____	_____	<u>Y / N</u>
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B. Check the type of rec pass membership for which you are applying.

_____ **Junior** (for child only, age 13-17)

_____ **Adult** (age 18-59) -single or a part of a family, but applying for YWCA membership only for yourself

_____ **Senior** (age 60+) -single or a part of a family, but applying for YWCA membership only for yourself

_____ **2-Parent Family** A family is defined as two adults living together, and their children, functioning as a single family unit. (Children are defined as minor children or children under 22 who are still enrolled in school.) In addition: (a) noncustodial parents may include their children in their family membership. (b) Custodial grandparents may include their grandchildren in a family membership (not senior family). (c) Elderly parents living with and dependent upon an adult child may be included in a regular family membership purchased by the adult child. (d) Physically or mentally handicapped adult children living with or cared for by their parents or persons (as above) acting as parents may also be included on a regular family membership.

_____ **Single Parent Family**- A single parent family is defined as a single-income family with children, headed by a parent who is widowed or divorced and not remarried, or by a parent who has never married. Children eligible as defined in family definition.

_____ **Senior Family** - One person in the family must be of senior age. Membership cannot include any children or grandchildren.

C. General Information

Once approved, you will receive a discount on a YWCA rec pass. Activities included with the rec pass are listed below. Your discount may also be applied to activities/lessons for children. Each child in the family will receive a \$50 credit to be used toward paid programs during your six-month membership. **You are responsible for a co-pay for each program based on your rec pass discount percentage.** Activities vary with the time of year so please consult our *YWorks* brochure for current programs, or ask the service desk staff. YWCA credits expire at the end of each six-month membership and cannot be carried over.

Activities included in rec pass membership

- Pool / Whirlpool—minimum age 18 for whirlpool
- Gymnasium
- Racquetball—minimum age 10 unless accompanied by adult
- Group exercise classes
- Fitness center—minimum age 16; 13 with training class
- Open sports activities—basketball, volleyball, etc.

STEP #3 HOUSEHOLD INCOME

A. Wages

LIST BELOW AND ENCLOSE COPIES OF 2 MOST RECENT PAYSTUBS PER PERSON/PER JOB.

Please list earned income from wages, tips etc. for all household members, even if they will not be included in the YWCA membership.

Name _____ Employer _____ Income \$ _____ per: week, month, year

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B. Supplemental Income

Please enter the total amount received each month from all living in the house, even if they will not be included in the YWCA membership.

Documentation, such as award letters, is required to support these figures. If you do not have documentation, check with the office or agency that coordinates your assistance.

Food Stamps	\$ _____	Unemployment	\$ _____
Child Support	\$ _____	Cash Assistance	\$ _____
Spousal Support	\$ _____	Worker's Comp	\$ _____
SSI/SSDI	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____
Housing Assistance	\$ _____	_____	\$ _____

C. Most recent Federal Income Tax Return

Enclose copy of tax most recent return for all household members filing taxes.

IF ALL INFORMATION REQUESTED IN STEP #3 IS NOT PROVIDED, YOUR APPLICATION CANNOT BE PROCESSED AND WILL BE RETURNED TO YOU.

STEP #4 Extraordinary Circumstances

If you have/had extraordinary expenses or events that you want us to consider, please tell us.

STEP #5

I certify that the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. If my financial circumstances or household information changes, I accept responsibility for contacting the YWCA to update my information.

Signature

Date

**BEFORE YOU SUBMIT PLEASE CHECK: HAVE YOU INCLUDED ALL PAPERWORK REQUESTED ON THIS PAGE?
HAVE YOU SELECTED THE APPROPRIATE MEMBERSHIP ON PAGE 2?**

See back of this sheet for additional information.

FINANCIAL AID FAQs

What is financial aid available for?

Discounts on YWCA rec passes are available based on income and family size. A rec pass allows the user access to the YWCA fitness center, pool, gymnasium, racquetball courts, and group exercise classes. When you are awarded financial aid, each child in the family is awarded a \$50 credit to be used toward lessons and activities offered at the YWCA.

How will I know if I am approved for financial aid?

You will receive a phone call or letter within a few weeks of submitting your application.

How do I sign up my child for activities using financial aid?

When your family is awarded financial assistance, each child is awarded a \$50 YWCA credit. This can be used for swim lessons, summer camps, gymnastics, or other activities. You are responsible for a co-pay based on your rec pass discount. For example, if you are awarded a rec pass at a 90 percent discount, you will receive this same discount on your child's programs/lessons. You will be responsible for paying 10 percent of the cost of these programs/lessons, and your YWCA credit will help make up the difference, up to \$50. Any remaining cost beyond this \$50 credit must be paid by the applicant. YWCA credits must be used within your six-month membership period. Credits expire at the end of your six-month membership and cannot be carried over into future months.

Can I suspend my membership if I am unable to make it to the YWCA for a few weeks?

No. We are unable to suspend/restart memberships for any reason once they begin.

What do I do when my membership runs out?

If you would like to continue using the YWCA after your six-month membership expires, you may reapply for another six months of financial aid. This can be done no earlier than 30 days before your expiration date. You must fill out a new application and submit new income verification paperwork. However, renewal is not guaranteed, as funding may not be available. Frequency of facility usage will be taken into account when considering a renewal application. No applicant will be approved for assistance for more than two consecutive six-month memberships.