

### **WABASH COUNTY YMCA**

# Membership Handbook





# Welcome to the Wabash County YMCA

#### **Dear New Member:**

Welcome! Thank you for becoming a member of the Wabash County YMCA. We are happy to have you as part of our family!

Founded in 1940 as Wabash Community Service, our organization has been strengthening the community to help improve the quality of life of our members and our community. In 2001, we chartered as the Wabash County YMCA and we moved into our beautiful facility in 2009.

Today, the Y continues its commitment to provide life changing programs and services that are relevant to our community. We strive to deliver on that commitment every day with programs, membership experiences, financial assistance, collaborations, and outreach initiatives that make the Wabash County YMCA an indispensable part of life for kids, families, and adults throughout the area.

I hope that you will take advantage of all of the opportunities your membership provides. The Y is unique. It's more than a place to go – it's a community organization that brings people from all walks of life together to connect with one another, makes lasting family memories, and improve the health and strength of all in our community.

Sincerely, Dean Gogolewski, CEO JOIN A COMMUNITY
...NOT A GYM

WABASH COUNTY YMCA MISSION STATEMENT: To foster wellness in our community.

AREAS OF FOUCS: Youth Development

Healthy Living

Social Responsibility

OUR PROMISE: No one is turned away from the YMCA due to an inability to pay.

## **Good Information:**

#### HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday-Thursday 5:00 AM - 9:00 PM Friday 5:00 AM - 8:00 PM Saturday 7:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

#### **HOLIDAY HOURS**

New Year's Day CLOSED

Memorial Day CLOSED

Easter CLOSED

Independence Day CLOSED

Labor Day CLOSED

Thanksgiving CLOSED

Christmas Eve CLOSE AT NOON

Christmas Day CLOSED

New Year's Eve CLOSE AT 3:00 PM

#### **FACILITY HIGHLIGHTS**

- Blue Gym—Indoor Tennis and Pickleball Courts
- Wood Gym—2 courts for basketball or volleyball, 12 adjustable rims, batting cage, pickleball, shuffleboard
- Two Group Exercise Studios
- Indoor Rainforest Play Park
- Indoor Track
- Public and Private Locker Rooms
- Family Pool—Zero depth entry, whirlpool and splash pad
- Lap Pool—6 lane, 25 yard length, 12 feet deep with 2 diving boards
- Wellness Center—cardio and strength training equipment

### RATES

MEMBERSHIP TYPE	MONTHLY RATE	JOIN FEE
Youth (under 18 or in high school)	\$21	\$50
Adult (18-64)	\$45	\$75
Household 1 (1 adult + dependents	\$)* \$55	\$75
Household 2 (2 adults + dependen	its)* \$67	\$75
Senior (65+)	\$44	\$75
Senior Couple (both age 65+)	\$65	\$75

Memberships may be set up to pay monthly, or annually. All new memberships and memberships that have been inactive for more than 30 days will be required to pay an enrollment fee, if applicable.

\*Children of family memberships must be under 18 years of age and live in same household. Child(ren) may be between 18 - 26 IF still in school full-time. Current class schedule is required.

**NON-MEMBER DAY PASS\*\*** 

Youth \$10 Adult \$20 Family \$40

\*\* Rates reduced by 50% if accompanying a facility member

#### MEMBER BENEFITS

As a member of the Wabash County YMCA, you and your entire household will benefit from:

- Unlimited use of the Wabash County
   YMCA facility during hours of operation
- Free Summer access to Honeywell Pool
- Access to nearly all Nationwide YMCA's
- Free Child Watch while you work out (2 hour maximum per day) \*child must be a member
- Wellness center orientation, which includes instruction on fitness equipment
- Free InBody Scale Assessment
- Free Virtual Classes through YMCA 360
- Member price on programs and facility rentals

## Membership Policies & Information

#### Membership Scan Cards

- Membership scan cards are issued to all members on your membership unit when you join the Wabash County YMCA. Your card must be shown and scanned each time you enter the building.
- · Membership Cards are non-transferrable.
- Please report any lost cards. A \$5 fee will be issued to replace a lost card.

#### **Payment Types**

- Monthly Bank Draft / Credit Card: The Y will draft your checking, savings or credit card account
  monthly on the 1st of each month. Monthly bank draft memberships continue indefinitely until you give
  the Y written notice 15 days in advance of your automatic withdrawal date.
- Annual Payment: One payment made at the time of the membership application. An invoice will be sent out to remind member that their covered year is coming to an end. Membership is non-refundable.

#### Fees

- A 3% convenience fee will be charged for credit/debit card transactions only.
- A \$20 service charge will be added to your balance due for each return or unfulfilled payment. This
  applies to checks or credit/debit cards.
- All memberships with outstanding balances will be terminated at the end of the month. There will be efforts to notify the primary member of the outstanding membership before termination.

#### Changes

 All information changes must be made by completing the Membership Change Form, no information will be change without written authorization

#### **Terminations**

- A 15 day written notice must be given by completing our Membership Termination Form to terminate
  your membership, which is available at the front desk. Terminations cannot be made over the phone
  and one final draft may be processed depending on the date of termination.
- Online membership terminations may be made by logging into your account.

#### Nationwide YMCA Membership:

- The Y is one movement and we want to encourage members to utilize the Y as often as they can in order to meet their health and wellness goals. This benefit allows active, full facility/full privilege members flexibility to visit participating YMCA in the US.
- Membership cards entitle you to visit participating Ys when you are traveling. Some extra fees may apply. You may find any Y in the U.S. by calling 800-333-YMCA or by visiting www.ymca.net.

#### Membership & Program Refunds / Credits

- The Wabash County YMCA reserves the right to change membership fees, with a 30 day written notice.
- Program refunds shall not be given due to weather, illness, vacation, or lack of interest in the class.
- Refunds or credits will be given to members and non-members if the Wabash County YMCA cancels the
  class due to low enrollment.

#### **Payment for Programs & Personal Training**

- Program and Personal Training payments are paid in full at the time of registration.
- There are both member and non-member rates for our programming. To qualify for a member rates, the person participating in the program must be a member for the duration of the program.
- Personal training payments are non-refundable.

#### Non-Member Use of Facility (Day Passes)

- Non-members must fill out a Liability Form and have their photo taken.
- Non-members age 17 and under must have a liability form filled out by a parent or legal guardian in order to utilize the facility.
- Non-members must purchase a day pass to use facility or present a valid Wabash County YMCA guest pass. Prices: Youth: \$5, Adult: \$10, Family (same household) \$20
- Day/Guest passes from other Y's are not accepted.
- Non Members are given 3 guest passes per year to use before fees are charged
- · All non-members must follow the rules and policies of the Wabash County YMCA.

## Member & Guest Code of Conduct

The YMCA is committed to providing a safe and welcoming environment for all members and guests. To promote safety and comfort for all, individuals are asked to act appropriately at all times when in the YMCA or participating in YMCA programs. We expect everyone using the YMCA to act maturely, behave responsibly, and respect the rights and dignity of others. The YMCA Code of Conduct outlines prohibited actions but is not an all-inclusive list of behaviors considered inappropriate in our facilities or programs and may lead to suspension/termination of the YMCA membership:

- The YMCA and its property is a tobacco-free environment—including vaping
- Possession or use of alcohol or illegal substances on YMCA property or the appearance of being under the influence of alcohol or illegal substances (odor/speech/etc.).
- Carrying or concealing a weapon or any device or object that may be used as a weapon.
- Verbally abusive behavior, angry or vulgar language, swearing, name-calling, or shouting.
- Sexually explicit conversation or behavior; any sexual contact with another person.
- Harassment/intimidation by words, gestures, body language, or any type of menacing behavior.
- Physical contact with another person in an angry, aggressive, or threatening way.
- Inappropriate, immodest, or sexually revealing attire. Clothing should not reveal any undergarments, or midriff.
- Unauthorized entry, loitering, theft or destruction of property.
- Theft or behavior that results in the destruction or loss of property.
- Personal music (headphone/earbud) volume should be at a level others are unable to hear.
- Picture taking is prohibited, anyone taking pictures of another person without their permission/ knowledge on the premises may be prosecuted by the YMCA.

In addition, the YMCA reserves the right to deny access or membership to any person who has been accused or convicted of any crime involving sexual abuse, is a registered sex offender or ever been convicted of any offense relating to the use, sale, possession, or transportation of narcotics or habit-forming and/or dangerous drugs, or is presently or habitually under the influence of illicit drugs or chemicals, narcotics, or intoxicating beverages.

Members and guests are encouraged to take responsibility for their personal comfort and safety by asking any person whose behavior threatens their comfort to refrain from such behavior. Anyone who feels uncomfortable confronting a person directly should report the behavior to a staff person.

#### Video Surveillance

The Wabash County YMCA recognizes that maintaining the safety and security of our members, guests, staff, and property is best implemented with a multifaceted approach. To the extent modern technology provides tools to maintain safety and security, the use of technology such as video surveillance cameras is supported by the Board. Video surveillance may be utilized in and around YMCA facilities, on YMCA property, and on YMCA transportation vehicles. Cameras may be equipped with audio recording capabilities as well.

Video surveillance shall be in accordance with applicable laws pertaining to such use. The YMCA also shall comply with applicable law related to maintaining video recordings.

Exclusions: Video and Audio monitoring are not permitted in areas where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy.

### Membership

#### **Financial Assistance & Reductions**

#### Membership & Program Assistance

Every day, we work side-by-side with our neighbors to make sure that everyone, regardless of age, income or background, has the opportunity to learn, grow and thrive. Thanks to contributions of people in our community, financial assistance is available to help pay for memberships and programs. Stop by front desk today to pick up your application or visit us online at www.wabashcountyymca.org and check out our Financial Assistance page. Scholarships are subject to qualification of personal need, enrollment limitations, and financial resources of the Wabash County YMCA.

#### **Insurance Based Memberships**

The Wabash County YMCA honors many insurance based membership plans, of which many are free of charge.

As a SilverSneakers<sup>®</sup>, Silver&Fit<sup>®</sup>, or Renew Active<sup>™</sup> member, you will have full access to the Wabash County YMCA including the Aquatic Center, Wellness Center, Gymnasiums, group exercise classes, and many programs.

#### SilverSneakers<sup>®</sup>

SilverSneakers<sup>®</sup>, you're free to move. Available at no cost for adults 65+ through select Medicare plans. To check your SilverSneakers<sup>®</sup> eligibility call 1-888-423-4632 Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM EST.

#### Silver&Fit®

The Silver&Fit® exercise and healthy-aging program is provided by American Specialty Health designed specifically for older adults. You may get access to Silver&Fit® as a Medicare beneficiary through many insurance companies' Medicare Advantage and Supplement plans. To check your Silver&Fit® eligibility call 1-877-427-4788 Monday-Friday, 5:00 AM - 6:00 PM PST

#### Renew Active<sup>™</sup>

Renew Active<sup>TM</sup>, a Medicare fitness programs for body and mind includes a free facility membership. To check your Renew Active<sup>TM</sup> eligibility call 1-855-604-1588 (TTY 711) toll-free, 8 AM - 8 PM EST, 7 days a week.

If your insurance plan is not listed above, contact your insurance representative or call the toll-free number on the back of your insurance card and ask them if a YMCA membership is included in your plan.

### **Programs**

### **Fun For All Ages**

#### Child Care, Sports & Recreation, Wellness and more

The YMCA offers programs for a lifetime of activity and wellness. From the youngest participants in our child watch and parent-child swim lesson programs to our active older adults playing Pickleball or participating in wellness classes, the Y has something for you. We also offer adaptive programming like our Trail Buddies program for mobility challenged individuals and chronic disease programming like Delay the Disease for people living with Parkinson's Disease.

Please visit our website for a complete list of classes and programs offered at the YMCA and the Field of Dreams.

## Facility Policies An A-Z Guide

#### **Aquatic Center**

- Lap Pool and Family Pool schedules can be found on our website or at the member service desk.
- All swimmers and Aquatic Center guests must obey the Lifeguard-on-Duty at all times.
- Failure to obey lifeguards may result in suspension or loss of Y privileges.
- During lightning and thunderstorms, the pool will be temporarily closed. The pool will reopen 30 minutes after the last lightning sighting or audible thunder.
- The Lap Pool is kept at approx. 82 degrees and the Family Pool is kept at approx. 88 degrees.
- At least one lane will be available for lap swim when the lap pool is open.
- Proper and appropriate swimsuits must be worn when using the pool and are restricted to the pool areas only.
- · No sitting or hanging on the lane lines.
- No running, pushing, wrestling, or horseplay.
- · No splashing or dunking allowed.
- Food, gum, or drinks (unless water) are not permitted in the pool area.
- Toys, balls, and other swim equipment will be permitted at the discretion of the lifeguard.
- All non-potty-trained children must wear swim diapers. No disposable diapers are allowed.

#### **Swim Test**

All children 13 and under must take a swim test.

Swimmers who pass the swim test will receive a GREEN swim band. If a swimmer passes the test, they will be given a green necklace and may swim freely throughout both pools. Green swimmers are allowed in deep water if able to: if they are able to:

- Jump into the deep end of the pool, submerge fully, return to the surface of the water and immediately begin swimming. Swim in a horizontal position on stomach and on top of the water. Swim ½ length of pool with a front crawl stroke, no underwater swimming allowed.
- Tread water for 30 Seconds.
- Resume swimming for the remaining half-length of the pool. Swim in a horizontal position on stomach and on top of the water.
- Float on back for 10 seconds.

GREEN swimmers 8 and older may be left in the pool area alone. Swimmers under the age of 8 must have a parent/guardian 18+ on the pool deck.

Swimmers unable to complete the swim test will receive a RED swim band.

#### 8 & Older with a RED swim band

- May swim without a life jacket in family pool.
- Must wear life jacket at all times, and remain in water less than 5 feet in the lap pool.
- May swim in areas deeper than where they can touch with life jacket on, AND parent/guardian (18+) in the pool within arm's reach.

#### Under 8 with a RED swim band

- Must wear life jacket at all times, and remain in water less than 5ft in the lap pool.
- Must have parent/quardian (18+) in the pool within arm's reach (lap pool).
- May swim without a life jacket in family pool.
- Must have parent/quardian (18+) on the pool deck (family pool).

FOR ALL SWIMMERS' SAFETY, NO CHILDREN 13 AND UNDER WILL BE ALLOWED TO SWIM WITHOUT A SWIMBAND.

#### **Attire**

- Shoes and shirt must be worn while exercising in all areas of the facility with the exception of the pools.
- No inappropriate, immodest, or sexually revealing attire. Clothing should not reveal any undergarments.
- Clothing with vulgar or profane writing or pictures is not allowed and you will be asked to either remove the article of clothing or turn the item inside out.

## A-Z Facility Policy Guide...Continued

#### **Child Watch**

- Child Watch is complimentary to all members. Available for children ages 6 weeks to 8 years of age.
- Parents or authorized adults must check-in and out of Child Watch.
- The maximum time allowed for a child to stay is 2 hours per day.
- Child Watch Hours are posted on our website, on the door to Child Watch or available by calling the YMCA.

#### **Facility Age Requirements**

- Facility: Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult.
- Child Watch: Children must be 6 weeks 8 years of age.
- Wellness Center: Children ages 10-12 with a parent, ages 13+ alone (youth must complete a Wellness Center Orientation prior to using the Wellness Center).
- Sauna / Weight Room: Must be 14 years old to use the sauna or weight room alone.

#### **General Policies**

- Members and guests are encouraged to be responsible for their own safety. Liability Releases and Code of Conduct are available at the front desk.
- If any person exhibits behavior which threatens another person's safety, the behavior must be reported to YMCA staff.
- The YMCA is a TOBACCO FREE campus. This includes use of any tobacco products, including vapor and loose tobacco.
- No alcohol, drugs or paraphernalia are allowed on the YMCA campus.

#### **Gymnasiums**

- No scooters, skateboards, roller skates/blades, hockey sticks, baseballs, softballs or batons are allowed on the gym floor.
- Food, gum or drinks (unless it is water) are not permitted in this area.
- Wear only soft-soled, non-marking shoes. Heely shoes are not permitted during recreational activities.
- Profanity, fighting or unsportsmanlike conduct and/or misuse of equipment is subject to suspension or loss of facility privileges.
- The YMCA reserves the right to adjust the schedule to meet programming needs.
- Members may make a reservation for the Blue Gym no more than 48 hours in advance.

#### **Locker Rooms**

- Lockers are available for daily use by members and non-members. You must bring your own lock and remove it at the end of each visit. Items left overnight will be removed and placed in the lost and found. It is recommended to always lock up your belongings and that you don't bring valuables into the facility. The Y is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
- Lockers are available for rent for a 6 or 12 month period. Please see the member service desk for details.
- Please help keep our locker rooms clean.
- In keeping with federal policy and our organization's commitment to diversity, equality, and inclusion, the Y offers individuals the opportunity to choose the appropriate locker room with which they selfidentify.
- We also provide separate private changing rooms for people who desire additional privacy.

#### Rainforest Play Park

- The Rainforest Play Park is an indoor play structure open while the YMCA is open. It includes a play structure with a slide and a climbing wall.
- Children age 7 & under need to have a parent/guardian (18 years & older) present with them. Ages 8-12 may play without a parent present.
- No jumping off the rock wall.
- Rule Signage must be followed at all times.

## A-Z Facility Policy Guide...Continued

#### Racquetball Court

- The racquetball court is suitable for racquetball, dodgeball, and walleyball.
- Must be at least 12 years old to check out racquetball equipment.
- Members age 18+ may make a reservation no more than 48 hours in advance by contacting the Member Service Desk.

#### Rentals

 The Multi-Purpose Room, Gymnasiums, Rainforest Play Park, and Pools are available for rental. Please contact frontdesk@wabashcountyymca.org or call 260-563-9622 for more information or to make reservations.

#### Sauna

- A dry sauna is available in each public locker room.
- Individuals age 14+ may use the sauna.
- Sauna rules are posted at the sauna entrance.
- DO NOT place anything on the rocks or pour liquid on the electrical element.

#### **Teen Room**

• Open during designated hours, this room is for teens to hang out in a supervised environment.

#### Walking Track

- Children of any age can utilize the track with a parent. Youth ages 13+ may utilize the track alone.
- 11 laps is equal to 1 mile.
- Please allow faster walkers/runners to pass on the outside lane.
- Walkers use the inside lane and runners use the outside lane, please.

#### **Wellness Center**

- Food and drinks (unless water) are not permitted.
- Shirts and full covering shoes must be worn in the Wellness Center. Street shoes are not permitted on equipment.
- Denim shorts and jeans are not recommended if you are using the equipment.
- Please keep all gym bags in the locker rooms.
- Please wipe off the equipment before and after each use with the towels and disinfectant provided at the Wellness Desk.
- Please return dumbbells and weight plates to the appropriate racks when you are finished.
- Free weights are not to be removed from the free weights area.
- Contact brobinson@wabashcountyymca.org to set a complementary wellness orientation to give an overall introduction to the fitness and weight machines and answer question.

#### Wi-Fi

- Wireless Internet is available to all of our members and guests free of charge, no password required.
- Please be aware that the use of our internet must be legally sound and that the Wabash County YMCA
  is not liable for any misuse or unsafe practices by anyone that has logged onto our Wi-Fi.

#### **Break It Down**

#### **BY AGE**

6 Weeks - 7 Years Old: Child Watch with a Parent in Facility, Swimming with a Parent in Water, Gym with a Parent. Move about Facility with a Parent.

8 – 9 Years Old: Use of the facility except the Wellness Floor and Sauna.

10 – 12 Years Old: Use of the facility including Group Exercise Classes with a Parent in Class, Wellness

Center with a Parent and with Wellness Center Orientation. Exemptions are the Sauna

and Weight Room.

13 Years Old and up: Full use of the entire facility. Sauna exemption until the age of 14.

#### **BY AREA**

• Full Facility Access: Youth may move throughout the facility independently starting at age 8, though

some exceptions apply.

Youth Supervision: Youth Supervision - Children age 7 and under must have an adult (age 18 or older)

onsite at all times.

• Child Watch: Child Watch - Available for children ages 6 weeks through 7 years while a parent

is in the facility. Usage is limited to 2 hours per child, per day.

• Group Exercise Classes: Group Exercise Classes - Youth may participate in group classes with a parent

starting at age 12. At age 16, youth may attend classes independently. Youth must

follow class instructions and not be disruptive.

• Wellness Center - Youth ages 10–12 may use the Wellness Center with a parent

present, after completing the Wellness Center Orientation (WCO). Youth age 13

and older may use the Wellness Center without a parent or orientation.

• Gymnasium: Gymnasium – Youth under age 7 must have a parent present to use the gym. Youth

age 8 and older may use the gym without a parent onsite.

• Sauna: Sauna – Youth under the age of 14 are not permitted to use the sauna.

Pool: Red Swim Band 8 & Older

May swim without a life jacket in family pool.

Must wear life jacket at all times, and remain in water less than 5 feet.

May swim in areas deeper than where they can touch with life jacket on, AND

parent/quardian (18+) in the pool within arm's reach.

Under 8:

 Must wear life jacket at all times, and remain in water less than 5ft in the lap pool

Must have parent/quardian (18+) in the pool within arm's reach (lap pool).

May swim without a life jacket in family pool.

Must have parent/quardian (18+) on the pool deck (family pool).

• Green Band Swim Test:

• Jump into the deep end of the pool, submerge fully, return to the surface of the water and immediately begin swimming. Swim in a horizontal position on stomach and on top of the water. Swim ½ length of pool with a front crawl stroke, no underwater swimming allowed.

• Tread water for 30 Seconds.

• Resume swimming for the remaining half-length of the pool. Swim in a horizontal position on stomach and on top of the water.

Float on back for 10 seconds.

#### **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES**

### **For Your Safety**

#### CLASS CANCELATION OR FACILITY CLOSURE

The Wabash County YMCA reserves the right to close facilities due to inclement weather, natural disasters, or mechanical issues. Periodic maintenance may also limit member access to certain portions of the building. Programs and classes may be canceled and/or the YMCA may close facilities for these circumstances.

Closing of the YMCA facilities will be posted on the Wabash County YMCA website & Facebook page, pushed out via notification on the Wabash County YMCA Mobile App, and announced on local radio stations when possible. You can also call the Wabash County YMCA at 260.563.9622.

#### SEVERE WEATHER PROCEDURE

Generally, the YMCA will remain open during snowstorms. The YMCA's optimal goal is to remain open as long as safely possible. If the CEO determines that an early closure is merited, or in case the weather prohibits opening at all, he/she will notify the lead staff of the closure to implement the communication procedure to update the website, YMCA App, and Facebook. If possible, the phone system will be updated unless conditions do not permit onsite access to the phone system. The staff will monitor City and County snow alert levels for the purpose of making or changing the open/closed status of the building and its programs.

#### **Wabash County Snow Alert Levels**

#### Advisory - YELLOW

 The lowest level of local travel advisory means that routine travel or activities may be restricted in areas because of a hazardous situation, and individuals should use caution or avoid those areas.
 Programming and classes may be canceled at the discretion of directing staff.

#### Watch - ORANGE

A Watch means that conditions are threatening to the safety of the public. During a "watch" local travel
advisory, only essential travel, such as to and from work or in emergency situations, The YMCA will be
open with limited staff and departments. Non-essential programming and classes will be suspended or
canceled.

#### Warning - RED

The highest level of local travel advisory, means that travel may be restricted to emergency management
workers only. During a "Warning-Red" local travel advisory, individuals are directed to refrain from all
travel. Therefore, the YMCA will be closed. Should EMA change the level from ORANGE to RED, the
YMCA will close within one hour of the level declaration by Wabash County EMA.

#### **Evacuation**

All emergency exits are clearly marked; please familiarize yourself with their locations. Should an evacuation of the facility be required for any reason, follow the directions of the YMCA staff to ensure a safe and orderly exit from the building.

#### **Tornado Warning**

In the event of a shelter emergency, follow the directions of the YMCA staff to ensure a safe and orderly process. If there is a tornado warning, you may leave the building; if you stay, you must follow the instructions of the staff.

#### **Incident Reports**

In the event that first aid or corrective action is provided to you or for you, the staff responding is required to ensure that proper documentation is provided for our records.

#### Member Responsibility

Members are expected to assist us in an emergency by following the instructions from staff in order to resolve the situation as efficiently and safely as possible.

#### **Staff on Duty**

Staff on Duty are designated to take a lead role in the daily operations of the facility and also in the event of an emergency. Please assist us in following their directions.

## Support the YMCA YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

#### **Annual Support**

The Wabash County YMCA is a non-profit, charitable organization. There are many good reasons to provide annual support for the Wabash County YMCA. We have a unique approach to our work with the community that always connects back to our mission. As a non-profit organization, your financial support helps to provide memberships and program participation for those in need. Each year, we provide tens of thousands of dollars in financial assistance to people in our community. On a yearly basis we seek our members' assistance in an Annual Support Campaign. Every dollar that you donate stays here in Wabash County to benefit your friends and neighbors. Please consider donating to help support our YMCA mission. Donations to enhance and continue programs are welcome and tax-deductible to the full extent of the law.

#### **Endowment**

Making a planned gift to the YMCA offers a flexible and simple way to combine philanthropy with financial planning. Planned gifts to the Y are about the future; your future and the future of children and families in our community. To meet your specific needs, a variety of gift options are available. While each planned gift is different, these gifts can offer significant financial or tax benefits while ensuring that future generations will benefit from the life-changing programs of the Wabash County YMCA. Please ask to speak with our VP of Mission Advancement or CEO if you have any questions.

#### **Financial Assistance**

Everyone belongs at the Y, regardless of ability to pay. We are committed to ensuring every community member, has access to our Y. Because of the Y's Financial Assistance Program, a family in need gains peace of mind knowing that their child is safe under our care, and teens interact with and receive support from caring mentors and individuals, and families receive needed social services.

#### **Our Promise**

No one is turned away from the YMCA due to an inability to pay. Your gift provides scholarships to 1 of 3 members at the Wabash County YMCA! We could not do this without the generous support of our donors and sponsors!

#### Volunteer

Volunteers are the backbone of our organization. Without volunteers we could not provide our community with the extensive services and programs we currently offer. Our YMCA offers year-round volunteer opportunities for members and non-members from the community and surrounding areas to give back and help build a better community within our Y.

You CAN make a difference. Apply to become a volunteer today. Applications are available at our front desk.

