

# OPENDOORS

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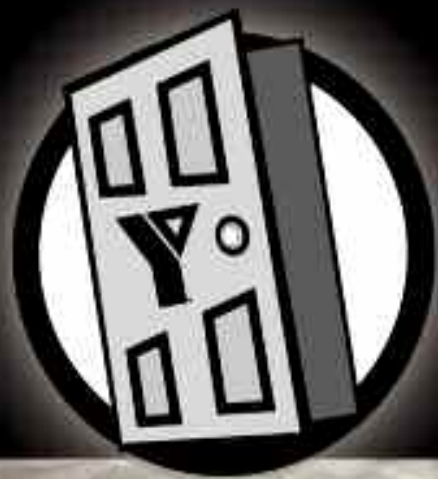
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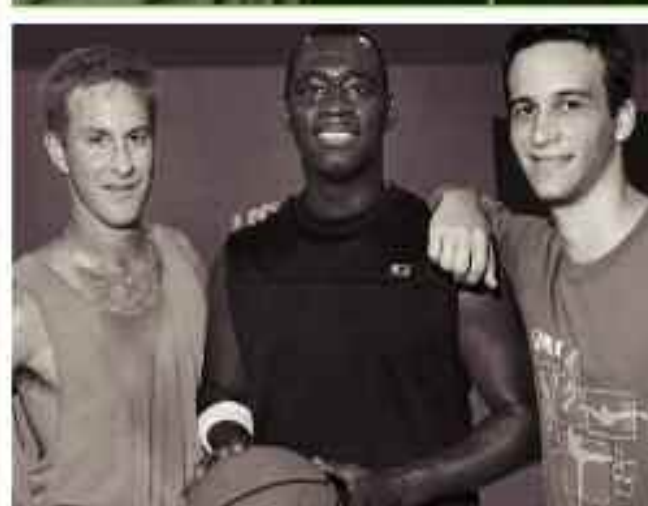
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United Way of Delaware



# OPENDOORS FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE



**Y** **YMCA**  
**of DELAWARE**



## **Financial Assistance**

The YMCA of Delaware recognizes that many of the children and families throughout Delaware who could most benefit from Y programs and services cannot afford to participate. The YMCA's commitment to our communities assures that financial assistance is available to those who qualify. This assistance is given on a first-come, first-served basis and is determined by a confidential application process requiring proof of financial need.

Our annual "Strong Kids Campaign" encourages our members and other donors in the community to provide financial assistance for kids and their families to be able to experience the benefit of YMCA childcare, youth sports, camping, and teen leadership programs.

# OPEN DOORS APPLICATION

The YMCA of Delaware is a not-for-profit health and human services organization committed to helping people grow in spirit, mind, and body. YMCAs are here to serve people of all ages, backgrounds, abilities and incomes. The Y is community-based, and we try to make programs and services available to everyone. That is why we offer the OPEN DOORS program, which is designed to fit each individual's financial situation using a sliding fee scale. The OPEN DOORS program is used by:

- Youth referred by schools, churches, and organizations
- Adults temporarily out of work
- Those divorced and experiencing financial hardships
- People on fixed incomes
- People overwhelmed by medical bills
- Those experiencing other financial hardships

The YMCA of Delaware requests that individuals complete and submit the attached form about income, family size, and necessary expenses so we can provide financial assistance in a fair and consistent manner. The YMCA also requires individuals to re-apply annually, or when requested, to keep the information updated. The ability to respond to requests for assistance is dependent upon the success of our fund raising projects and current operating finances. Financial assistance rarely covers 100% of the total membership or program fee.

Your fees are subject to increase when you re-apply. If you do not re-apply when requested, your enrollment may end.

To process your application, we will need the following information for all adults in the household to verify household income (as applies):

- Last year's tax return
- Last two pay stubs
- Social security or disability checks (or bank statement showing amount of automatic monthly deposit).
- Retirement/pension income
- Child support
- State assistance, including food stamps
- Unemployment checks

NOTE: If you do not have a copy of your tax return, you may obtain one by calling the Internal Revenue Service (1-800-829-1040). If you did not file taxes last year, or you don't have the other documents required, please submit a letter explaining your personal situation. You may be contacted by a Business Office staff member.

Please allow 10 days to process your application. Once processed, an agreement letter outlining your financial assistance plan will be mailed to you. To activate the financial assistance, please bring the agreement letter with you to our member service desk.

YMCA members receive the same membership benefits, regardless of whether or not they are receiving assistance. Members are involved in an organization that cares greatly for the health and well-being of people and is committed to building strong kids, strong families and strong communities.

**•APPLICATIONS WILL BE PROCESSED ONLY AFTER ALL INFORMATION IS SUBMITTED AND THE APPLICATION IS FILLED OUT COMPLETELY. (All information will be strictly confidential.)**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a full-time student? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you married? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No Total number in household \_\_\_\_\_ Is spouse a full-time student? \_\_\_\_\_

List names (last names too, if different from applicant) and ages of all persons in the household.

Your household includes dependents you claim on your federal income tax return.

1) \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

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7) \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

8) \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_ Length of employment \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time \_\_\_ Full-time \_\_\_

2nd Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_ Length of employment \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time \_\_\_ Full-time \_\_\_

Gross Monthly Income (before taxes) \_\_\_\_\_

Other Adult's Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_ Length of employment \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time \_\_\_ Full-time \_\_\_

2nd Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Position \_\_\_\_\_ Length of employment \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time \_\_\_ Full-time \_\_\_

Gross Monthly Income (before taxes) \_\_\_\_\_

# INCOME/EXPENSES WORKSHEET

## Income:

We will need the following information for all adults in the household to verify household income (as applies):

- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 1) Your Gross Monthly Income
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 2) Other Adult's Gross Monthly Income
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 3) Child Support
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 4) Aid to Dependent Children
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 5) Welfare (submit copy of amount received)
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 6) Food Stamps (submit copy of amount received)
- Y\_\_\_ N\_\_\_ 7) Reduced Lunch Program (submit copy of card)
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 8) Social Security/Disability
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 9) Unemployment
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 10) Pension/Retirement
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 11) Alimony
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 12) POC (Purchase of Care)
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 13) Other (please explain)

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\$\_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME  
(HOUSEHOLD)

\$\_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL ANNUAL INCOME (HOUSEHOLD)

How much can you afford to pay per month? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for applying for the OPEN DOORS program? \_\_\_\_\_  
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I verify that all the information provided is correct, complete and accurate. If my situation changes, I agree to notify the YMCA within 30 days or my benefits from the OPEN DOORS program may end.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## Expenses:

Please include all expenses listed in your name.

- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 1) Rent / Mortgage (Circle One)
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 2) Auto Loan
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 3) Utilities
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 4) Phone
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 5) Child Support
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 6) Medical
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 7) Child Care
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 8) Food
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 9) Credit Cards
- \$\_\_\_\_\_ 10) Other (please explain)

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\$\_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES

Office use only:  
(N/A if not applicable)

Staff Receiving \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Tax Return  
\_\_\_\_ Child Support  
\_\_\_\_ (2) Pay stubs  
\_\_\_\_ SSI or Disability

\_\_\_\_ Retirement/Pension  
\_\_\_\_ Unemployment  
\_\_\_\_ State Assistance

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

YMCA BRANCH:    \_\_\_\_ Bear-Glasgow                      \_\_\_\_ Brandywine                      \_\_\_\_ Central  
                          \_\_\_\_ Central Delaware YMCA                      \_\_\_\_ Sussex                              \_\_\_\_ Walnut  
                          \_\_\_\_ Western

Applicant                                      \_\_\_\_ New Applicant                                      \_\_\_\_ Renewal Applicant

Current YMCA Member                      \_\_\_\_ Yes    \_\_\_\_ No

Applying for                                      \_\_\_\_ Membership                                      \_\_\_\_ Day Camp                                      \_\_\_\_ Before & After School  
(check all that apply)                                      \_\_\_\_ Preschool                                      \_\_\_\_ Other Programs

Membership category applying for:

**Full Membership: A full member has use of all facilities and programs\*.**

*(Select one)*                      \_\_\_\_ Youth (14-18)                                      \_\_\_\_ College Student                                      \_\_\_\_ Family  
    \_\_\_\_ Senior (65+)    \_\_\_\_ Adult (19-64)  
    \_\_\_\_ Single Parent Family                                      \_\_\_\_ Senior Family (65+)

**Program Membership: A program membership is for participation in programs only.**

*(Select one)*                      \_\_\_\_ Youth (0-18)                                      \_\_\_\_ Adult (19+)                                      \_\_\_\_ Family

List each individual participant and their requested program/class:

Participant Name:

Program Name:

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If you need assistance in completing this application, please ask for help at the Member Service Desk.

\* Some programs have additional fees not covered under the Open Doors program.



# How does the YMCA fund the Open Doors Program?



Through the generosity of YMCA friends, our goal is to have sufficient funds to ensure our YMCA remains available to all. Thanks to our generous donors, we are able to make the YMCA accessible through our Open Doors Financial Assistance Program.

These gifts provide scholarships for individuals and families who want and need YMCA programs but cannot afford them. The YMCA provides needed opportunity in programs such as day camp, child care, youth sports, water safety, and before/after school care.

Contributions come from YMCA members, community members, businesses, and corporations.

*"We may not be rich, but we're not exactly poor either. So every little bit here and there helps. It's nice to know that the YMCA will work with everyone regardless of their financial situation."*

*- A very appreciative single mom*

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