



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Southington – Cheshire Community YMCAs Financial Assistance Program

Lending a Helping Hand

Financial assistance is not a hand-out, but a helping hand. Requests for assistance always exceed the dollars available, therefore, we ask that each applicant honestly assess their need and complete the application truthfully. Assistance is a temporary agreement and extended only in a time of need and could change from year to year. The percentage of financial assistance awarded is **valid for one year** or 365 days.

Each recipient will pay a portion of the fee based on the specific need of the individual or family. Please remember that financial assistance is distributed on a “first come, first serve basis” and is subject to the availability of funds. Our decisions are made carefully using the guidelines of the YMCA of the USA. The assistance is based on gross income of the household, number of dependents and extenuating circumstances.

Where does our funding come from?

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 healthier, confident, connected and secure. This is not just a gym; it is a community. Funds for financial assistance are made possible through generous financial contributions of our members, friends and corporate contributors to our Annual Support Campaign.

How to apply? (YOU MUST BE A RESIDENT OF SOUTHINGTON or CHESHIRE.)

Financial assistance applications and membership forms are available at the YMCA front desk or online at sccymca.org. ***The application must be completed in its entirety and appropriate documentation must be submitted before the application can be processed.*** You can either scan and email, fax, mail, or return it in person, in an addressed envelope to **Joanne Miano** or **Melinda Ward**, to the Southington or Cheshire YMCA Front desk. Once we receive your completed application, we will review it and email you to confirm receipt. If there are any missing items, this will cause a delay in the application being processed. All applications are reviewed and processed in order of the date received. If your application is approved, we will email your financial assistance award including custom payment plan options and you must contact us to set up your payments within 7 days.

How to register for childcare:

Go to the link here: www.sccymca.org/register

IMPORTANT: Children may not start in childcare until all financial aid paperwork is received, reviewed, approved and payments are in place. ALL FAMILIES ARE REQUIRED TO PAY AT LEAST A SMALL PORTION OF THEIR CHILDCARE TUITION each month. All \$50 Registration Fees are due at the time of registration. Then we will notify the childcare directors when everything is set. Please notify us if you need to split payments with another parent/guardian as well.

How to apply for Care 4 Kids:

We strongly encourage all families who are working full time, in a training program, and/or are going to school for an undergraduate degree to also apply for the Connecticut **Care 4 Kids program**. Care 4 Kids will only pay a percentage of your monthly childcare tuition. Rarely do they ever pay the full amount.

Please note we only accept C4K in our Southington childcare programs and not in our Cheshire childcare programs at this time. There is one exception to this rule: you may apply if you are not a resident of Southington but your child is still attending school in Southington. Please use the following link to see if you qualify: <https://oec.service.ct.gov/C4KPortal/s/eligibility>

Please notify us whether you qualify or not so we can continue processing your YMCA financial aid application. If you do qualify: Care 4 Kids applications, redeterminations and Parent-Provider Agreement forms are due no later than **30 days before** the start of the program your child is attending. Please contact us for the forms, complete the appropriate sections, and return as soon as possible so we can submit all of the necessary paperwork to Care 4 Kids **before** your child starts in program. There is currently a long waitlist so please do not delay in applying.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns that you may have. We look forward to working with you and your family.

Sincerely,

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Branch Name	
Date Received	
All Documents Received	

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The Southington – Cheshire Community YMCAs strives to make our programs and membership available to all, regardless of their ability to pay. We use the guidelines provided by the YMCA of the USA to carefully make our decisions on assistance. Our funds for financial assistance are made possible through generous financial contributions of our members, friends and corporate contributors to our Annual Support Campaign.

ALL INFORMATION IS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

Residency Status (Please check one)

- ☐ I am a resident of Southington
- ☐ I am a resident of Cheshire

Current Status (Please check one)

- ☐ I am not currently receiving any YMCA financial assistance.
- ☐ I am currently receiving YMCA financial assistance and this application is for:
 - ☐ Renewal
 - ☐ Request of another program

Requesting financial assistance for:

- ☐ Membership: # of people ____ ☐ Family ☐ Young Adult ☐ Teen ☐ Youth ☐ Discount for Military/Veteran
- ☐ Childcare: ____ Preschool / ____ School Age Childcare / ____ School Age Fun Days
- ☐ Camp: ____ Camp Sloper / ____ Camp Quinnipiac / ____ Camp Naciwonki
- ☐ Programming: ____ Youth Sports / ____ Swim Lessons / ____ Sports Performance (SPC)
- ☐ Other: _____

Primary Adult Applicant: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ (circle one) Home Cell Work

Marital Status: (circle one) Single Married Separated Divorced

Email: _____

Employer: _____ Occupation: _____

Is your home a one-adult household? (circle one) Yes No Not Applicable

Required *If applying for childcare or camp – please inform us of your work schedule. *

	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
In Time							
Out Time							

Secondary Adult Applicant: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ (circle one) Home Cell Work

Marital Status: (circle one) Single Married Separated Divorced

Email: _____

Employer: _____ Occupation: _____

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Required *List the names of every person that lives in your Household

Name	Employer or School & Grade	Date of Birth	Relationship to Primary Applicant

REQUIRED: Please list the income for everyone in your household ("Gross", before taxes) Documentation is required.

INCOME SOURCE	Your Income \$	Other's Income \$
Salary, wages, and tips	\$	\$
Unemployment compensation	\$	\$
Social Security and/or Disability compensation	\$	\$
Child Support and/or Alimony	\$	\$
SNAP Benefits	\$	\$
401(k) Retirement	\$	\$
Student loan/grant income/tuition assistance	\$	\$
Rental/Housing assistance	\$	\$
Other Income	\$	\$

REQUIRED: Please assess your needs honestly. How much can you afford to pay?

(MUST BE ANSWERED FOR REVIEW) \$_____ (circle) per week per month

Please share the reasons why you are applying for financial assistance and include as much detail as possible about your current living/financial situation:

You are required to submit the documents listed below for EVERY ADULT in your household along with your completed Financial Assistance Application:

- ☐ **1. Proof of Residency (choose one)**– a rental/lease agreement, a mortgage statement, a utility bill, **OR** a signed letter from the owner of the residence of where you live with their contact information
- ☐ **2A. Paystubs:** 2 of your most current if you get paid bi-weekly or monthly and 4 paystubs if you get paid weekly
OR
2B. signed letter from your employer/offer letter that must include your employer's name, title in the company, and their contact information. It must also state your rate of pay, works schedule total/average hours worked per week or your annual salary (include bonuses and tips if applicable) (If applying for Care 4 Kids you will need to submit paystubs and a signed employer letter)
- ☐ **3. Federal Tax Return:** A copy of your most current Form 1040 and all pages, **NO summary pages - Please redact social security numbers**
- ☐ **4. Other Sources of Income:** Must submit official documentation either a letter or statement that shows the amount you receive monthly or weekly for Child Support, Alimony, Unemployment, Social Security income, Disability Income, SNAP benefits, Housing Assistance, Retirement Income 1099-R, Self-Employment Income/1099s/Business Tax Return, Student Loan Assistance, Scholarships/Grants, or any income that may not be listed here.
- ☐ Check here if you do not file a federal tax return based on federal government income guidelines.

***Please note if any of the listed items do not accompany your financial aid application it could delay the determination process and your application will be moved to the bottom of the list. Please check your email or SPAM folder and be on the lookout for any email correspondence. ***

I hereby declare that the information on this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I grant permission to the YMCA to verify this information and understand if it is not accurate, my application may be denied and any offer of financial assistance withdrawn. I agree to notify the YMCA if my financial status should change.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Our Mission

To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.
The YMCA is a non-profit 501 C 3 organization.