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FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

2017 Annual Report

WOOD RIVER COMMUNITY YMCA



DISCOVER THE Y'S COMMUNITY IMPACT

Dear Friends,

We're working hard to create a bright future. We're responding to critical community needs with creative and measurable programs and interventions. Through these efforts, we bring our community closer together, save lives, help children reach their potential and improve community health. This report demonstrates just some of the ways in which we are, with your help, making a BIG difference in our community.

It's a simple idea; we listen to our community and take action. When we learned that our state had one of the highest youth drowning rates in the nation, we got to work. In 2017, our Make-A-Splash program taught more than three hundred 2nd grade students to swim for free.

Research showed us that children who don't learn to read at grade level by the 3rd grade rarely graduate from high school. So each summer we hire professional teachers and we work with nearly 150 Blaine County students to improve their reading and math scores. We have the test scores to prove that we're making a measurable difference. To make sure no one falls through the cracks, our program is totally free.

Whether someone is struggling with Parkinson's Disease, getting back on their feet after cancer treatment, or getting homework help in our After School Kids Club, please know your Y is protecting our most vulnerable community members. Most importantly, the Y is for everyone. Your local Y has made an extraordinary promise – no one will be turned away based on an inability to pay. Last year we provided \$974,612 in financial assistance and program subsidy to provide youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility throughout the valley. That's how we bring the community together. We're working for a better us!



Sincerely, Jason Shearer, CEO and John Dondero, Board Chair

OUR AREAS OF FOCUS

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

All kids deserve the opportunity to discover who they are and what they can achieve, under the guidance of adults who care about them and believe in their potential. We see every interaction with young people as an opportunity for learning and development.

HEALTHY LIVING

Health and well-being are all about balance. That's why we help individuals and families build and maintain healthy habits for spirit, mind and body in their everyday lives. By helping people of all ages and all backgrounds improve their health and well-being, we build a stronger community.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

With our doors open to all, we work every day to connect people from all backgrounds and support those who need us most. We take on the most urgent needs in our community and inspire a spirit of service in return. Our members, volunteers and staff demonstrate the power of what we can achieve by giving back together.





WE DRIVE COMMUNITY IMPACT BY INSPIRING YOUTH

Every young person has amazing potential. As they discover their potential and what they can achieve, kids gain confidence and hope. We give kids a safe place to learn, explore and connect – all while encouraging positive values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS

148

Power Scholars

The Y's Power Scholars academy is a FREE six-week academic enrichment program designed to combat summer learning loss.

315

Make-A-Splash Participants

Make-a-Splash is your Y's FREE program that teaches every Blaine County second grader to be water safe.

5236

Mountain Riders

Our free Mountain Rides transportation to the Y reduces fuel consumption, keeps cars off the road and reduces traffic congestion.

95

Football & Cheer

An enjoyable place to play football for youths from ages 6 to 12 years of age, while teaching the basic fundamentals of the game, teamwork, good sportsmanship and discipline.

6261

Members

People of all ages, income levels, abilities, and backgrounds come together through the Y.

62

Chronic Disease Participants

LiveStrong, Enhanced Fitness, Multiple Sclerosis Group, Diabetes Prevention Program, Delay the Disease and YEAH (Youth Engaged in Activities for Health) deliver positive quantified results.

111

Day Campers

Camp provides parents a safe, healthy environment for their children to stay engaged while parents are working and school is out.

165

After School Participants

Kids Club succeeds by providing homework help, STEAM activities, recreation, and building healthy relationships with peers at every Blaine County elementary school.



Daniela

Power Scholar

Daniela, age 8, loves Power Scholars, "because I get to make new friends, go on field trips and get smarter."

Power Scholars Academy at the Y offers a program that seeks to solve the achievement gap problem of our youth. The FREE program provides vigorous academics and STEM activities five days a week for 6 weeks each summer.

YMCA COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Power Scholars Academy
 After School Kids' Club
 Summer Day Camp
 Schools Out Day Camp
 YEAH!
 Bonni's Garden Education
 Bonni's Garden Starts
 Bonni's Garden Harvest
 Make-a-Splash water safety
 Youth Swimming Lessons
 Parent/Child Swimming
 Swordfish Swim Team
 Super Sitters
 Child Watch
 Football League
 Cheerleading
 Football Camp
 Winter & Spring Break
 Climbing Camps
 Climbing Club
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 Masters Swim
 Kayaking
 Water Polo
 Women's Climbing Night
 Private Climbing Instruction
 Member Wellness Orientation
 Membership
 Member Group Exercise-Over
 800 classes per year

Many of these programs are offered several times per year. Financial assistance is available for all Y programs, including membership. No one is turned away based on an inability to pay!



VOLUNTEER & STAFF IMPACT



Make-A-Splash volunteers

Make-A-Splash teaches water safety to all 2nd graders in Blaine County! Since its inception, more than 2,000 of our kids have graduated from Make-A-Splash and are now water-safe. We can't do it without the commitment of our volunteers.

1180

Volunteer hours

Volunteers donated over 1180 hours in 2017.

"Volunteering at the YMCA is always a win-win deal...a win for the volunteer and a win for the kids" ~ Walter

178

Employees

Whether working as teachers, care providers, coaches, or lifeguards, Y staff love and care for people.



Page Jenner and Brian Dirksmeier replacing aerobic room floor

WE DRIVE COMMUNITY IMPACT WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, PROGRAM SUBSIDIES, AND LIFE CHANGING PROGRAMS

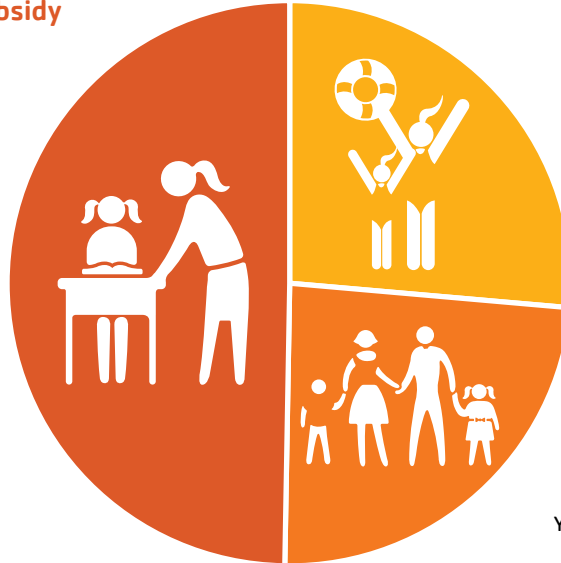
Financial assistance for programs like After School Kids Club and Day Camp, in addition to subsidy for programs like Power Scholars and Make-A-Splash, allow working parents to be secure, knowing their child is safe, learning, and growing. As a cause-driven organization, your Y is committed to empowering people with the resources and support they need to live healthy, fulfilled, connected, and secure lives. Through the generosity of our volunteers and donors, we are able to ensure that everyone in our community has the opportunity to participate in the Y's incredible programs..

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE & PROGRAM SUBSIDY IMPACT

\$974,612

Financial Assistance & Program Subsidy

**Youth Development
\$486,301**
Education/Literacy, Mentoring, After School Care, Summer Camp, Sports, Bonni's Garden, Rock Climbing, and more.



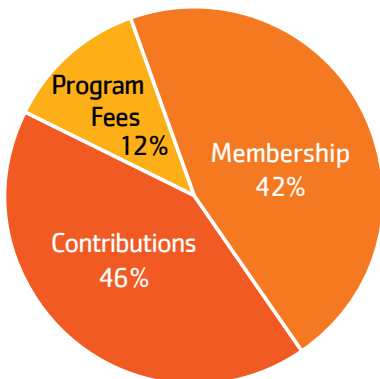
**Youth & Adult Aquatics
\$256,734**
Make-A-Splash/2nd Grade Water Safety, Kayaking, Water Polo, Master Swim, Parent/Child & Youth Swim Lessons, Swim Team, Recreation, and more.

**Youth & Adult Community Health
\$231,576**
Youth Obesity, Chronic Disease, Youth and Family Scholarships = \$101,236, Senior and Adult Scholarships = \$60,489, and more.

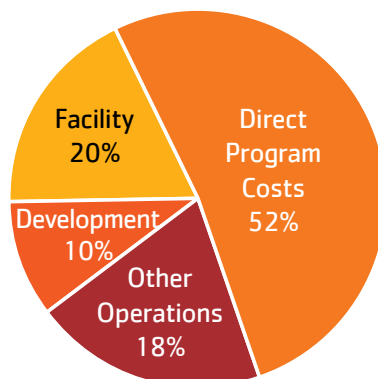
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The Wood River Community YMCA is a non-profit organization, committed to the highest standards of transparency. The Y is governed by an independent volunteer Board of Directors.

Revenue



Expenses



Total Revenue \$2,892,020 Total Expenses \$2,667,829

Operating surplus used to reduce debt and to fund capital improvements.



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If you have included the Wood River Community YMCA in your estate planning, please inform us so we can recognize you as a member of the Heritage Club.

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