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WOOD RIVER COMMUNITY YMCA

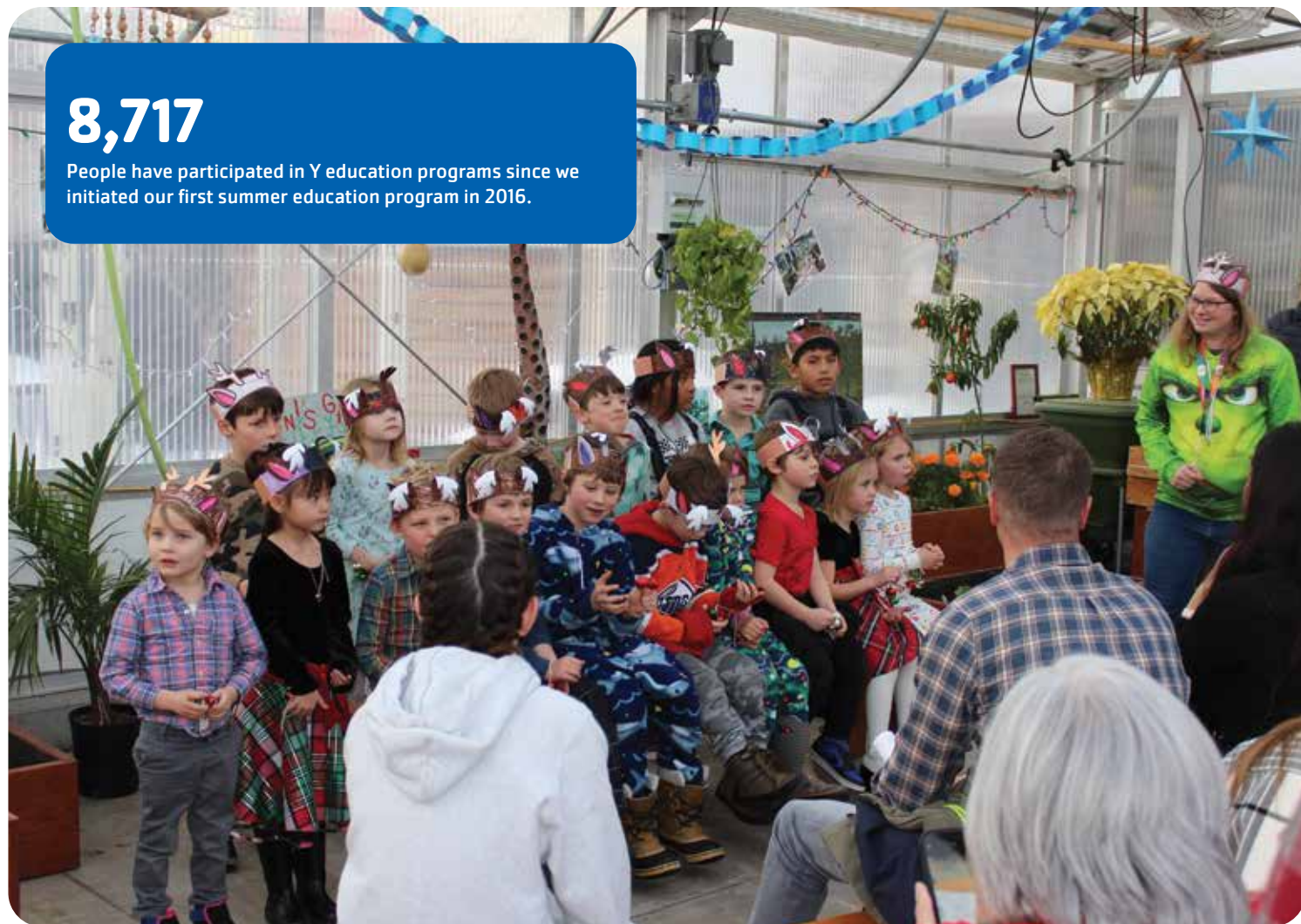


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2024 IMPACT REPORT

8,717

People have participated in Y education programs since we initiated our first summer education program in 2016.



Thanks to generous support and dedicated volunteer leadership, the Y is bringing our entire community together -- closing the educational achievement gap, teaching life-saving water safety, supporting vulnerable individuals and strengthening community health.

We continue to expand our programs and deepen our impact to meet the evolving needs of every member of our community. Most of our programs are offered free of charge. And when a fee is required, no one is ever turned away due to an inability to pay.

Because at the Y, we believe we're better together.

540

Bonni's Garden Participants

A state-of-the-art greenhouse and garden connects our community to nature and life, and sparks collaboration, growth and learning.

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Parents participated in the Y's PIQE Program

One parent shared: "Thanks to this program, I now know how to get involved in my child's education and support". It's inspiring to see the impact of our efforts firsthand!

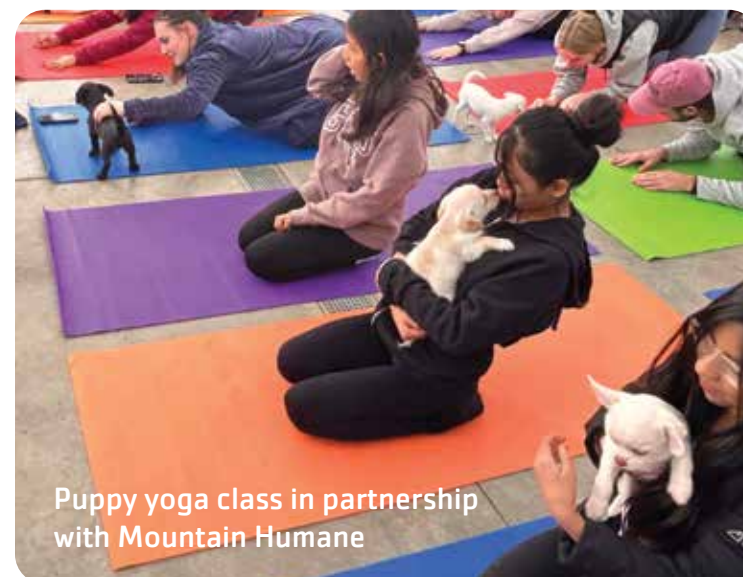
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School's Out Day Camp Participants

Provides a safe, healthy environment for children to stay engaged while their parents are working.

"The kids are so bright and talented. It was great to see them first learn the basics, and then engage their own curiosity by asking questions, experimenting and helping each other. It's important to teach software in a way that allows self-expression and exploration."

~ Coding Instructor



Puppy yoga class in partnership with Mountain Humane

257

Summer School Participants

The Y's SummerBridge and Nature Explorer programs help students achieve academic success and well-being. In 2023 SummerBridge student test results were exceptional. When comparing spring and fall test scores, BCSD reported that SummerBridge students outperformed their peers. This outcome results from our collaborative partnerships that provide a rich curriculum, a 4:1 educator-to-student ratio, reading specialists, bilingual staff, experiential learning, and camp-like socialization and fun. SummerBridge is a free program developed by the Wood River Community YMCA with help from community partners.



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Make-A-Splash Participants

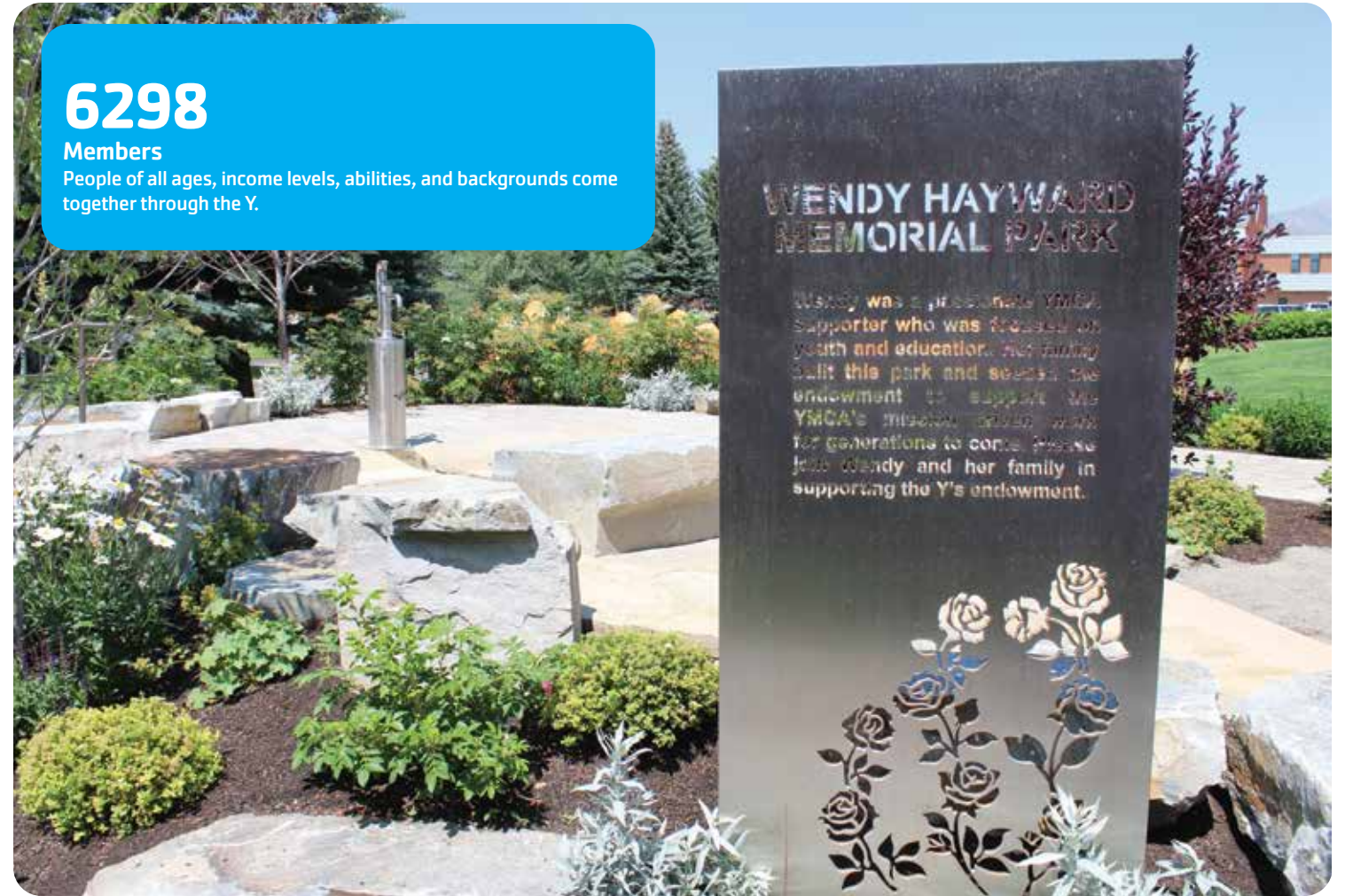
The Y's FREE program that teaches every Blaine County School second grader to be water safe and offers free follow-up swim lessons to non-swimmers.



6298

Members

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



150

After School Participants

Kids Club provides homework help, STEAM activities, recreation, and a place to build healthy relationships with peers.



238

Employees

Working as teachers, care providers, coaches, or lifeguards, Y staff care for people.

60

Longevity and Chronic Disease Program Participants

Enhanced Fitness, Delay the Disease, Time to Move and Healthy Families Partnership deliver positive quantified results.

The best part of coming here three times a week and seeing so many 'miracles' because they're here despite some injuries or little setbacks. Everybody is cheerful, everybody wants everybody to do well, and is so supportive. It's just this wonderful way to start the day... We all want to still be moving in our nineties, so that's why I sign up early; I want to be here.

~ Joyce

6688

Volunteer Hours

Committed community volunteers pitched in their personal time to drive the mission in 2024.

“One family broke into tears as their gift card envelope was handed to them. The mother said she is at a moment in her life where she has been struggling the most. She moved to this community last year with her 1st-grade daughter and has been homeless for periods of time since then. She could not hold the tears in and continued to say thank you as she departed.

~ Christmas elves volunteer



20

Paid Interns

Receiving college credit with paid tuition.



61

Community Programs & Classes

Many of these programs are free and financial assistance is available for all Y programs, including membership. No one is turned away based on an inability to pay.

9,412

Total People Involved

19

Apprentices

Registered with the Idaho Department of Labor and Idaho Business for Education as they complete 144 hours of on-the-job training in the areas of education and youth development.

62,100

Meals and Snacks

Served in partnership with Blaine County School District and Hunger Coalition



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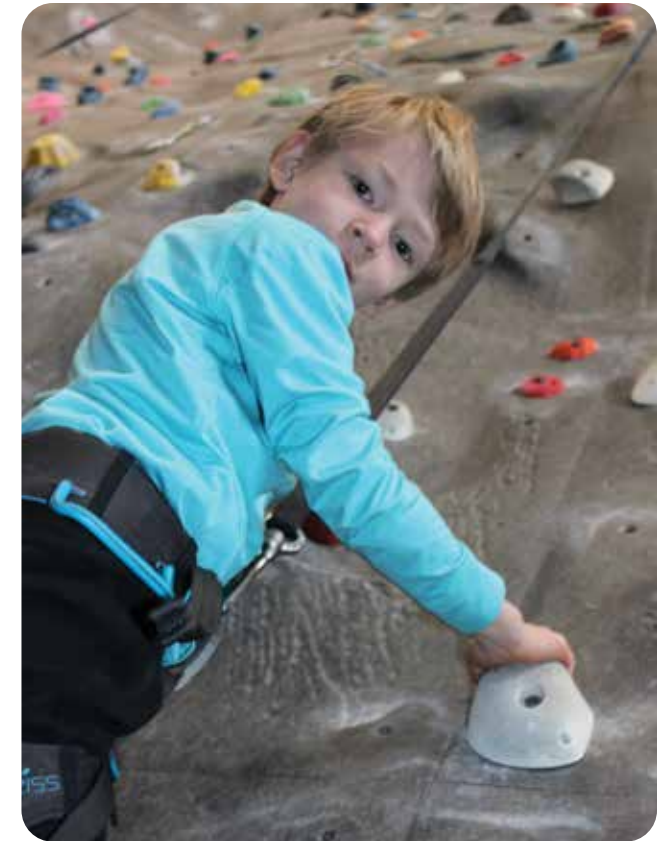
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“Thank you so much for getting my girls access to Camp Horsethief (Treasure Valley YMCA’s five-night away camp). It was a beautiful and amazing experience for them!! They truly enjoyed it.

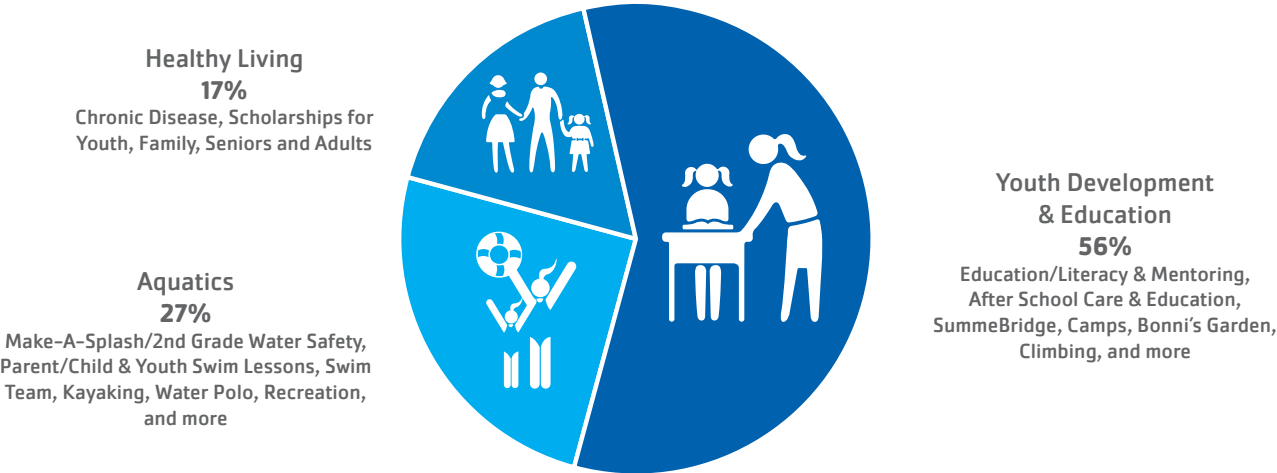
~ Parent of Camp Horsethief participants



We Drive Community Impact with Free Programs, Financial Assistance, Program Subsidies and Life-Changing Opportunities

Through the generosity of volunteers and donors, financial assistance and program subsidies allow everyone in our community to participate in the Y regardless of financial ability.

In 2024, the Wood River Community YMCA provided \$1,617,608 in program subsidies and financial assistance.



Giving to the Wood River Community YMCA strengthens our community and builds bonds across generations. We honor our Y champions in the Wood River Valley who made a donation in 2024.

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Anita Braker & Dave Olsen

Committed to the future of our Y



Two local leaders with deep and long commitments to the Y, Cynthia Murphy and Dan Turner, first introduced my husband, Dave Olsen, and me to the wonderful workings of the Y by getting us involved in the Strong Kids Campaign. It immediately resonated with us, and led us to finding out more about the Y's many great community programs. I volunteered to help with the Christmas Elves program. We attended the annual Y-Classic event, and I soon joined the Board. Co-chairing the Classic for several years, standing with microphone and paddle in hand, close to the fire of that enthusiastic crowd, continues to be the thrill of a lifetime.

We were not here in the Valley during the initial Y capital campaign, but now we're taking a new step into the future by committing to a Legacy Gift. The Y is well-run and fiscally solid. It provides a broad range of programs which address the needs of a diverse group of people from young ones, to teens, to seniors. We offer everything from day care, to swimming lessons, health and wellness programs, to workout facilities.

Dave and I are deeply committed to the Y's mission and proud to play our part. We believe that what we've accumulated over our lifetimes should be shared with our community. Through a Legacy Gift we're able to do that long after we're able to actively participate. And that way, the pool our grandsons love will be there for their children.

Please join us!

LEGACY CLUB

The YMCA Legacy Club honors individuals and families who believe in the mission of the Y and preserve our good work for future generations by including the Y in their estate plans.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Mike Wolter at 208-928-6702.

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

Y Legacy Club members:

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2024 Y CLASSIC



2024 VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR



Hanna Thomson

In 2022 Hanna attended the Y Classic Fundraiser and saw an opportunity to get involved by lending her craft and expertise. She is the driving force of her Ketchum-based event planning business, Crush + Bow. Hanna volunteered to serve as the Chair of the 2023 Y Classic and took the event to new heights, working closely with a strong committee and Y staff members. She and her husband Nick, along with their two boys, are members of the Y and donors.



Karine Kashen

Karine is a member of the Y's Board of Directors, a volunteer Chairperson of the Strong Kids Campaign, a member of the Y's Classic event committee and one of the Y's head Christmas Elves. She and her husband Dave are enthusiastic contributors to the Y and many other local charities, all while raising two energetic boys. On the creative side, she is an artist focused on Harbor and Ridge, her block printing business.

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A big thank you to our local and national partners that are integral to the fabric of our Y.

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