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## YMCA Receives Grant to Support College Prep Program

FORT WAYNE, Ind. [November 12, 2013] - Old National Bank Foundation has awarded a \$7,500 grant to the YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne to support the Team Students of Success (SOS) program at the Renaissance Pointe YMCA.

Team SOS is a free college prep program that encourages teens to act on their beliefs through the foundation of a college education. The program offers student and parent workshops, college visits, volunteer and internship opportunities as well as job shadowing opportunities. Team SOS meets once per week during the school year and offers activities in five areas: Leadership Development, Character Building, Life Skills, College Readiness and Job Readiness.

"We are very grateful for the Old National Bank Foundation's support of our initiatives to improve the lives of youth in our community through our college preparation program," said Nicole Liddell, Director of Mission Advancement for the YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne. "This collaboration will further our efforts to give children in the southeast neighborhoods opportunities and access to resources that will help them thrive and create a stronger community for all."

The Y is dedicated to strengthening communities through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. For more information on how you can help the Y and your community, please contact Nicole Liddell at 260.918.2144 or <a href="mailto:nicole-liddell@fwymca.org">nicole-liddell@fwymca.org</a>.

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The YMCA has long been committed to strengthening the greater Fort Wayne community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. The YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne serves more than 73,000 people across Allen, Wells, Whitley and LaGrange counties through six membership facilities, as well as two program branches and YMCA Camp Potawotami. The mission of the Y is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all. Visit fwymca.org or join us on Facebook.