

## GIVE FOR A BETTER US

"We joined the Caylor–Nickel Y when our oldest daughter became employed as a Lifeguard. Being part of the Y has helped our family achieve a healthier lifestyle. We have also benefitted from programs for our son, who has special needs.

We were excited for him to participate in the Dream Team where he feels like he belongs and can accomplish new things. The Adaptive Bike Program allows him to be pedaled by a specialized bike which has made such a positive impact on our family.

Because of the Y, my son has met new friends and my children have learned that kids with special needs are not that different from other children. We have become more caring towards others and connected with other families who have similar struggles. There is a network of families that experience difficulties like our family does, so we no longer feel alone. We are better equipped to face life's challenges.

I cannot put into words, the feelings and emotions I experience when watching kids participate in adaptive programs. They become rock stars and disabilities disappear. I would encourage anyone to become part of the Y. There are programs for everyone."

-Holly



#### Youth Development

All kids deserve the opportunity to discover who they are and what they can achieve, under the guidance of caring adults who believe in their potential. We see every interaction with young people as an opportunity for learning and development—all grounded in the Y's core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.



#### **Healthy Living**

We help people and families build and maintain habits that improve their everyday lives. By helping kids, adults, families and seniors from all walks of life improve their health and wellbeing, we build a stronger community.

#### **Social Responsibility**

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

## >>> Your donation goes directly to help people like Holly.

## **Your Gift In Action**

Every dollar donated to the Caylor-Nickel Fdn. Family YMCA Annual Campaign has a lasting impact on our community. In 2021, 1,413 people participated at the Y because of financial assistance.

\$80	Gives a child the experience of playing soccer where they improve skills and learn teamwork.
\$210	Keeps 1 kid safe and confident around water through a year of swim lessons.
\$300	Sponsors participation for half of a youth basketball team where kids learn teamwork and sportsmanship.
\$600	Helps an older adult stay connected with friends and become healthy at the Y.
\$1,500	Prepares a child for academic success with a positive learning experience and meaningful relationships during 10 weeks at the Early Learning Center.
\$2,500	Inspires 1 class of 10 cancer survivors to gain strength and reclaim wellness through LiveStrong $^{\mbox{\scriptsize @}}$ at the Y.

### **Through Your Generosity, Together We Will:**

- Nurture children in a safe, educational environment in our Early Learning Center.
- Give youth hope and older adults purpose through meaningful connections with their community.
- Provide opportunities for everyone to participate at the Y, regardless of their age, income or background.



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The YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

