

OPEN ARMS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION ANN ARBOR YMCA



The Y is a not-for-profit health and human services organization committed to helping people grow in spirit, mind and body. With the Y's focus on nurturing kids and teens, improving people's health and well-being, and giving back and supporting our neighbors, your membership will bring about meaningful change in both your life and in your community. The YMCA believes that every person should have an opportunity to participate and pursue their own personal goals regardless of skill or financial level.

Because of our service and dedication to our community, we offer membership and program funding through donations, grants, and association earned income to those who request it within our available resources. The YMCA is community-based, and we believe that our programs and services should be available to everyone.

What is the YMCA Open Arms Scholarship Program?

The Open Arms Scholarship is a sliding scale based program designed to provide YMCA Membership services to any family, adult, youth or senior regardless of their ability to pay.

Determining assistance amounts is handled in a fair and consistent manner. Every YMCA member receives the same membership benefits, regardless of whether or not they receive a scholarship.

Is it possible to join the Y for free?

The Y Believes a strong sense of ownership and pride is developed when the financial assistance recipient contributes to the cost of their Y involvement. Therefore, applicants will be asked to pay a portion of the fee for the requested service.

What are the application deadlines:

Scholarships are awarded on the 1st and the 15th of each month. If you submit your application between the 1st and the 14th of the month, your membership will be approved for the 1st of the following month. If you submit your application between the 15th and 31st, your membership will be approved for the 15th of the following month.

If I receive financial assistance, what is expected of me?

- Upon approval, the YMCA will email scholarship applicants notifying the portion you will be asked to pay.
- Once you have received the email notification, you must come into the YMCA to accept the scholarship and make your first month's payment to activate your Open Arms membership.
- All Open Arms Scholarships are granted for six months.
- The YMCA requests that individuals and families reapply biannually, with updated documentation.
- If you do not reapply at the time requested, your membership will expire.
- Membership fees are subject to change when you reapply.

Please forward any questions, comments, or concerns to:

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FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Ann Arbor YMCA Scholarship Application

1. APPLICANT INFORMATION (PLEASE PRINT)

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Home Phone: _____

Emergency Contact (Name/Phone): _____

If applicant is under 18:
Parent/Guardian's Name: _____

2. ALL PERSONS LIVING IN THIS HOUSEHOLD
List all additional persons living in the household. Place a check mark next to each person who will be included in the membership.

_____ DOB: _____ M/F

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3. MEMBERSHIP TYPE
Please select the type of membership you are applying for

FAMILY includes 2 persons over 18 and children under 23 living in the same household

ADULT ages 30-64

SENIOR ages 65+

YOUNG ADULT ages 20-29

TEEN ages 12-19

DESK USE ONLY

Application receive on: _____

Received by: _____

Application Complete: YES NO

Applying for: 1st of _____ 15th of _____

New Membership **Renewal**

OFFICE USE ONLY

Family Size: _____

Gross Annual Income: _____

Scholarship Percentage: _____

New or Renew: _____

Staff: _____ Staff: _____

4. TO QUALIFY FOR A SCHOLARSHIP, SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS
Please check which document option you are selecting

Option 1: I FILED FEDERAL TAXES FOR LAST YEAR

Most recent 1040 Federal Tax Form(s) for all income in the household

ONE tax form was filed for my household and is being submitted

We filed more more than one tax form in our household. We are submitting _____ 1040 forms

Total Gross Annual Household Income: \$ _____

Option 2: I FILED FEDERAL TAXES FOR LAST YEAR BUT MY HOUSEHOLD SITUATION HAS CHANGED

Most recent 1040 Federal Tax Form(s) for all income in the household

ONE tax form was filed for my household and is being submitted

We filed more more than one tax form in our household. We are submitting _____ 1040 forms

Documents showing your most recent 30 days of income (submit all that apply)

Pay Stubs

Documentation of governmental assistance

DHS Budget Report/Food Stamps Award Letter

SSI/SSDI/Pension Report

MESC Benefit Report

Financial Aid Budget Breakdown/Award Letter from College/University

Option 3: I DID NOT FILE FEDERAL TAXES FOR LAST YEAR

Documents showing your most recent 30 days of income (submit all that apply)

Pay Stubs

Documentation of governmental assistance

DHS Budget Report/Food Stamps Award Letter

SSI/SSDI/Pension Report

MESC Benefit Report

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Total Gross Annual Household Income: \$ _____

5. I certify that the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and that I do not have additional income not represented above. I have provided all documentation requested. I agree, if necessary, to send additional information and documentation to support the above statements. In addition, I have read and understand the information provided on the reverse side of this application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____