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# **Financial Assistance Guide**

### **Understanding your Award**

Financial Assistance is awarded based on a sliding fee scale that is designed to fit each individual's financial situation. Based upon the sliding scale, information provided and Y guidelines, a discount is awarded. Award guidelines vary.

Categories in which financial assistance is awarded are:

#### Afterschool, Day Camp, Summer Day Camp, and Preschool and Youth Sports

# *Programs not eligible for Financial Assistance may include personal training, group or private swim lessons, and boot camps.*

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Communication will be made with the recipient via email, US mail or by telephone. Assistance will then be applied to your membership/program fees accordingly.

## **Staying Eligible**

YMCA financial assistance policies require that applicants re-apply for assistance before membership/program expiration date. Once the expiration date has passed the participant/member's rate will automatically change to the full rate. The applicant must provide new documentation as requested on the assistance application. The YMCA will not retroact fees at any time.

### **Applicant Responsibilities**

The Y expects applicants to be accountable when seeking financial aid by adhering to the following guidelines:

- Apply/re-apply for financial assistance prior to the expiration date by providing all required documents in an accurate and timely fashion. Omission of necessary documentation may slow the approval process
- Mark your calendar! The Y will make every effort to notify applicants of the expiration date.
- □ Inform the Y of any changes in your family's financial conditions.
- Check your email often and all correspondence as this is our primary means of communication