

River Crossing YMCA Financial Assistance Policy/Application

River Crossing YMCA is a charitable, nonprofit organization committed to strengthening our communities through membership and programs that foster youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility for all. River Crossing YMCA's Board of Directors feels strongly that the YMCA is for everyone. No one will be turned away because of their inability to pay, subject to the availability of funds. Our mission is to serve the people of our local communities.

Aid is not a handout, but a helping hand. The YMCA is here for people of all walks of life - when things are OK and when there are problems. Most people can afford the quality programs of the Y and expect to pay fees out of a sense of personal responsibility. In times of need, YMCA financial assistance continues this responsibility in a partnership of assistance. Each participant will pay a part of the fees, based upon gross household income and the specific needs of the individual or family. Assistance will be granted based on financial need. The YMCA reserves the right to refuse assistance to any applicant. Financial assistance is a temporary agreement extending assistance in a time of need. As the need decreases, it is expected that your share of payment will increase accordingly.

Before financial assistance is granted for our Youth Education Centers, we would need to verify if you would qualify for funding through Early Learning Resource Center (ELRC) or New Jersey Cares for Kids (NJCK Norwescap). These agencies are subsidized childcare programs that helps low-income families pay their childcare fees. The state and federal governments fund this program, which is managed by ELRC and Norwescap. Please review their guidelines to determine your eligibility and submit an application to them. Provide the Y with a copy of your Eligibility Letter you will receive from ELRC and Norwescap after they process your application.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- 1) Complete the Financial Assistance Application and submit it with supporting documents.
- 2) Allow at least three weeks for processing.
- 3) Receive a letter by mail notifying you of your qualifying status. Assistance will be granted for one year. If assistance is still required after this period of time, another financial assistance application will need to be completed.

SUBMIT APPLICATION AND SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION:

For Bucks and Hunterdon counties: Catherine Refice, Regional Financial Assistance Director **Email:** crefice@ymcarivercrossing.org **Fax:** 215-348-3084 **Phone:** 215.348.8132 x1139

Address: River Crossing YMCA, 2500 Lower State Road, Doylestown, PA 18901

For Lehigh and Northampton counties: Megan Lutz, Financial Assistance Specialist

Email: mlutz@ymcarivercrossing.org

Address: River Crossing YMCA, 601 S. Oxford Valley Rd., Fairless Hills, PA 19030

More information and our FA Guidelines can be found at ymcarivercrossing.org/fa

As a youth serving organization, River Crossing YMCA conducts regular sex offender screenings against the national database using Raptor Technologies. Raptor Technologies, provides the capability to search the national database of known sex offenders. Our Y will scan the entire database monthly for registered sex offenders, and daily for new members, visitors, guests and as part of our financial assistance application process. All visitors or guests must provide a valid state or government issued photo ID to be scanned through our Raptor Software. Those verified as known sex offenders will receive notification and membership will be terminated immediately. By submitting this application, I acknowledge and accept this policy.

RIVER CROSSING YMCA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

ALL PERSONAL INFORMATION WILL BE HELD IN CONFIDENCE

Person requesting assistance	e (if minor, use Parent o	r Guardian	's name):
Name:		_ Age:	Birth Date:
Address:			
City:		State	e: Zip:
Email (REQUIRED - this is o	ur primary source of conta	ct for you):	
Daytime number in which to	contact you or can leave i	message:	
List yourself and all member Indicate if you are requestin		ntly live with	h you.
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