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Thank you for your interest in the YMCA of Catawba Valley's financial assistance program. The YMCA believes that everyone, regardless of their financial situation, deserves access to our services. We offer financial assistance to individuals or families who are not able to pay full fees for YMCA membership and/or programs. Our financial assistance program is funded through community donations and allows the Y to achieve its mission to build healthy spirit, mind, and body for all. The application process in place ensures that we are being good stewards of the community's donations.

### **WHAT DOCUMENTATION DO I NEED TO PROVIDE?**

In order to apply, you must submit a letter explaining why assistance is needed and/or any extenuating circumstances related to your ability to pay for a YMCA membership. In addition to the letter, you must provide one of the following items:

- Most recent 1040 Tax Return or
- Letter of Non-Filing provided by the IRS

If you provide a Letter of Non-Filing you must provide proof of income. Examples of proof of income documents include, but are not limited to:

- Government funding
- At least 2 recent check stubs
- Bank statements showing direct deposits

### **WHAT DO I NEED TO INITIATE MY MEMBERSHIP?**

In addition to the Financial Assistance documentation, you will need to provide the following to initiate your YMCA membership:

- Valid credit/debit card information or your routing and account number
- Payment of your first month (prorated amount)
- Payment of Mission Investment Fee

### **WHO DO I CONTACT IF I HAVE QUESTIONS?**

If you have any questions about the membership process please contact the Membership Director at the location you wish to join:

- Hickory Foundation YMCA: Hunter Townsend (828-324-2858 / [huntert@ymcacv.org](mailto:huntert@ymcacv.org))
- Adrian L. Shuford, Jr. YMCA: Derrick Artis (828-464-6130 / [derricka@ymcacv.org](mailto:derricka@ymcacv.org))
- Phifer Family YMCA: Alex Thompson (828-679-2500 / [alexth@ymcacv.org](mailto:alexth@ymcacv.org))
- Sally's YMCA: Rebecca Grobe (704-716-7300 / [rebeccag@ymcacv.org](mailto:rebeccag@ymcacv.org))
- Lincoln County Family YMCA: Morgan Houser (704-716-4500 / [morganh@ymcacv.org](mailto:morganh@ymcacv.org))

As an applicant for financial assistance, there are a few things you should remember:

You may be awarded 25%-65% off the full rate.

Without the submission of a 1040 Tax Return or Letter of Non-Filing from the IRS, the maximum you can be awarded is 25%. You may obtain a Letter of Non-Filing by contacting the IRS at [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov) or 1-800-908-9946.

Your financial assistance is good for two calendar years. You will be required to submit new financial information after the second year or your membership will increase to the normal rate.

Bring the required documentation to the Front Desk of the YMCA and an associate will gladly help you get started on achieving your goals immediately.

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***YMCA Mission:***

***To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.***

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Financial Assistance Form

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**FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT®  
FOR HEALTHY LIVING  
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

As a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, the YMCA offers scholarships to allow those in the community to receive memberships and participate in the programs and services offered who otherwise may not be able to afford it. Funded through community donations, the YMCA's financial assistance program allows the Y to achieve its Mission of being for all. This form ensures that the Y is being good stewards of the community's donations. As an applicant for financial assistance, there are a few things you should remember:

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Primary Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Adults on Membership Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Children on Membership Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

- | Income Documents Provided                                    | Total Annual Income Represented | Staff Verified |
|--|---------------------------------|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Case for Support (on back)          | _____                           | _____          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1040 Tax Return <b>OR</b>           | _____                           | _____          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IRS Letter of Non-Filing <b>AND</b> | _____                           | _____          |
| Other Proof of Income / Supporting Documents:                |                                 |                |

Document	Annual Income Represented	Staff Verified
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Gross Annual Household Income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarship Awarded: \_\_\_\_%

Primary Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**YMCA of Catawba Valley**

Director Approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

