

# Membership Assistance Application Form

For Staff Use Only

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	AGE	GENDER	CATEGORY	ASSISTED FEE	ADJUSTMENT
<b>TOTAL</b>							

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact & phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for applying for financial assistance: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I verify this information to be accurate and accept responsibility for notifying the YMCA should my financial situation change.

Signature of applicant \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

### YMCA privacy statement

The YMCA of Greater Toronto is committed to protecting personal information by following responsible information handling practices. We collect and use personal data in order to better meet your service needs, to ensure a safe environment while members are visiting our centres, for statistical purposes, to inform you about the YMCA program or service in which you are registered, to complete payment transactions and to satisfy regulatory obligations. You may also hear from us periodically about other YMCA programs, services and opportunities that may interest and benefit you. Visit our website at [www.ymcatoronto.org](http://www.ymcatoronto.org) for more information on our YMCA privacy statement.

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Joined date: \_\_\_\_\_

Family head membership #: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Staff approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Staff initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

MONTHLY INCOME		YMCA Staff Review
Notice of assessment	\$	
-OR-		
Monthly household income	\$	
Further family income	\$	
Employment insurance / social assistance	\$	
Child tax credit / pensions	\$	
Alimony / child support	\$	
Other	\$	
<b>TOTAL MONTHLY INCOME (A)</b>	<b>\$</b>	
MONTHLY BASIC EXPENSES		
Housing (rent or mortgage)	\$	
Property tax	\$	
Groceries (estimated monthly food)	\$	
Child care	\$	
Transportation (gas, insurance, bus fare, etc.)	\$	
Utilities – Gas	\$	
Hydro	\$	
Water	\$	
Phone	\$	
Cable	\$	
Other (student loan, medical bills)	\$	
<b>TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES (B)</b>	<b>\$</b>	
<b>DISPOSABLE INCOME (A) - (B)</b>	<b>\$</b>	

## Mission:

The YMCA of Greater Toronto is a charity offering opportunities for personal growth, community involvement and leadership.

## Vision:

The YMCA of Greater Toronto will focus on making connections: connecting people, connecting with youth, and connecting with the community.

## Values:

Caring • Health • Honesty • Inclusiveness  
Respect • Responsibility



YMCA

We build strong kids,  
strong families, strong communities.

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Your YMCA's charitable registration number is: 11930 7080 RR0001



# Opening Doors

# YMCA Membership Assistance



## YMCA Membership Assistance

The YMCA strives to include all members of the community. Through the YMCA Strong Kids Campaign, individuals and families can apply for financial assistance in order to participate in YMCA programs and services they otherwise could not afford. Our belief as a charity is that no one should be denied access to any YMCA program or service based on their financial circumstances.

## How is the Membership Assistance Program Funded?

YMCA Membership Assistance is funded by a combination of sources including the YMCA Strong Kids Campaign. Donations made to the YMCA Strong Kids Campaign are used directly in the community in which they were donated.

## Applying for Membership Assistance

Anyone interested in applying for Membership Assistance can be interviewed on the spot at any local YMCA centre. To apply, complete the Membership Assistance application form on the back of this brochure. Once complete, bring in the form along with documentation of your income, proof of your expenses (please see list on next page) and a void cheque or credit card. Your interview will be an in-person assessment of your financial situation and will be completely confidential. It will take approximately 30 minutes for an interview, a tour and membership sign-up or renewal. YMCA membership terms and conditions apply and you will receive a copy for your records when signing up for or renewing a YMCA membership.



## Preparing for Your Membership Assistance Appointment

Please be prepared to discuss which YMCA programs interest you. Review the fee brochure, Membership Assistance application and program schedule ahead of time.

**Once you have filled out the Membership Assistance form, please bring in copies of the following documents that apply to you:**

### Documentation of income:

- Bank balances
- Two current consecutive pay stubs
- Social assistance statement
- Child tax benefit slip – supplemental income for children under six
- Employment insurance statement
- GST rebates

### Proof of expenses:

- Utility bills (gas, hydro, water, electricity)
- Lease/rent /mortgage agreement payment receipts
- Property tax receipt
- Transportation bill (insurance, car payment, bus fare, gas)
- Cable bill
- Phone bill
- Internet bill
- Child care receipt
- Other fixed expenses
  
- Void cheque or credit card

## Activating Your Membership

Please have a void cheque or credit card available at your appointment should your assistance application be approved. All applicants who have been approved for membership assistance have four weeks to activate their membership.



## Most Commonly Asked Questions

### *Who is eligible for the YMCA Membership Assistance Program?*

People whose financial circumstances make them unable to pay the full fee for a General membership.

### *How much financial assistance will be provided?*

Everyone must pay a portion of the monthly fee. Some are able to pay more while others pay less. We assess everyone individually and ask you to bring your financial records to your interview. We will discuss all of your options during your interview.

## *Can my whole family apply for a YMCA Membership?*

Yes. Ask a YMCA staff person about family membership requirements.

## *If I receive YMCA Membership Assistance, what is expected of me?*

### Confidentiality

All information you provide will be kept confidential. We also ask that you keep the content of our interview confidential.

### Commitment

A YMCA Membership requires a commitment to making your payments on time and to using your membership regularly. (Recommended minimum use: once a week.)

### Communication

If your financial situation changes and/or you no longer require assistance, please speak to a Membership Representative. This enables the YMCA to help other individuals and families who are unable to pay the full fee.

