

Meet the Schuylkill YMCA. For the past 10 years, the Schuylkill Y has been providing programs and services to communities throughout the county—all without having a building of its own. While that is about to change this summer, the Y is committed as always to building strong communities by addressing childhood obesity with fitness programs geared to middle school students; enriching our communities through programs dedicated to arts and culture; and most importantly, expanding our Open Doors Financial Aid program to ensure that every family needing help receives it. Please take a moment to review this information and get to know the Schuylkill YMCA.

*Where can you go to take a pottery class, lift a few weights, and cool down with some yoga? All while certified pre-school instructors supervise your toddler, and your teenager plays the Wii in a teen center?*

*If your answer is that it doesn't exist, then you haven't been keeping your eye on the Schuylkill Y lately, because the Y has all that to offer and more.*

**The Y Builds Strong Families**

The Schuylkill Y is a full-service organization that provides customized, professional programs to each community it serves, whether down in Schuylkill Haven or up in Shenandoah. And the best part is that a Y program always stays true to its mission of building strong families and strong communities. YMCA's have come a very long way since their days of chess matches and male boarding houses. Y's are now the leaders in *child care, youth and family fitness, and nutrition*, and will soon be leading the charge to promote *the arts and humanities*. Basically, YMCA's have changed and evolved into state-of-the-art, multi-purpose facilities.

**The Y Builds Strong Communities**

The Schuylkill YMCA, while unique from nearly every other Y because it is a "wall-less" YMCA, meaning it currently does not have its own facility,

has still grown with Schuylkill County, and that growth is evident by its charge to open a main facility in downtown Pottsville and satellite branches in Tremont and Schuylkill Haven. In addition, the Y has recently begun examining the needs of our neighbors in the northern sections of the county, where the possibilities are endless. The Y could offer a youth center, fitness center, and daycare program, among others, along with a customized fitness and health program for the residents of Shenandoah and beyond. And with over 150 years of experience, the Y is prepared to offer friendship and fitness to all who cross its doors.


**The Y Builds Strong Character**

More than 30,000 children and adults passed through Schuylkill Y programs over the last 10 years. That translates into hundreds of kids who grew up healthy, caring, and responsible adults because of qualities they developed at the Y. And that also translates into adults who grew as healthy, fulfilled individuals. If you have never been involved with a Y, please join us as we work together to encourage, empower and inspire all people to reach their fullest potential in spirit, mind and body.

Thank you.



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*The Schuylkill YMCA is currently a wall-less Y serving 2,500 youth throughout Schuylkill County. Within one year, plans are underway to open the doors of a main center in downtown Pottsville, and three satellite centers. We are a member of the Schuylkill United Way.*

**Facts At Your Fingertips**

- Y Nearly 20,000 youth served since our inception in 1997.
- Y Our summer camp program is the largest of its kind in Schuylkill County with seven locations.
- Y We never discriminate against age, sex, or financial situation.
- Y Most of our kids come from low income families with help from our scholarship program.
- Y We provided \$17,000 in financial aid to our summer campers last year alone.
- Y We are currently running 20 regular programs for kids and adults.
- Y Only eight percent of our budget goes toward administrative expenses.
- Y Every penny stays in Schuylkill County.