SOUTH DAKOTA YMCAs...

Sam* came to the Edgemont YMCA shortly after the school year began and asked for an afterschool registration form to take home to his dad. After a couple of days, Sam returned the form. He had filled it out by himself with Dad's signature on the bottom. This child did not just want a fun place to go after school but really needed a place to go that was warm and provided some food on a daily basis.

Thanks to a sponsorship, Sam now comes every day. He walks into the room with a smile on his face and is always the last to leave. The Kidstop afterschool program has become an environment where Sam feels safe and comfortable. It provides stability, nutrition



and care from staff and friends. The YMCA is a place where children need and want to belong.

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...YOUR PARTNER IN BUILDING COMMUNITIES

- Over **6,500 kids** build friendships, new skills and self-confidence in SD YMCA camping programs each summer.
- Over **\$2.1 million** in financial assistance was given last year specifically for kids and families from economically disadvantaged backgrounds to participate in SD YMCA programs and activities.
- Over **51,400 children**, women and men are active, engaged members and program participants in SD YMCAs.
- Over 26,500 South Dakota adults achieve healthier lifestyles through wellness programs that include arthritis relief, LIVESTRONG for cancer survivors and swimming.
- YMCAs are collectively the largest provider of after school programs in South Dakota. Over **4,400 kid**s are active in YMCA after school programs every day.
- Nearly 4,200 people serve as volunteers in SD YMCAs.
- SD YMCAs partner with nearly **100 government and nonprofit entities** in providing valuable community services.



Aberdeen's Camp Dream-Makers is a two-week summer camp specifically designed for youth ages 5–18 who have a physical, mental or neurological disability. For many of these kids, this will be their only opportunity to experience a camp setting and the many various activities offered, such as bowling, fishing, roller skating, local park activities, swimming and horseback riding to name a few.

Due to the high level needs of each participant, they are able to fully participate with 1:1 assistance from staff and volunteers. These youth have the opportunity to meet new friends, camp volunteers and staff while providing a break for their regular caregivers. Parents and caregivers can leave their child at Y camp with comfort knowing their child is being taken care of in this supported environment.

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Oahe Family YMCA

www.oaheymca.org 605-224-1683

YMCA of Rapid City

www.rcymca.org 605-718-9622

Custer YMCA

www.rcymca.org 605-673-5134

Sioux Falls YMCA

www.siouxfallsymca.org 605-336-3190

Edgemont YMCA

www.rcymca.org 605-662-7254

Sioux Indian YMCAs

www.siouxymca.org 605-365-5232



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