



## The Dubuque Community YMCA/YWCA is one step closer to building a new facility!

### FAQ – New Facility

The following “Frequently Asked Questions” are intended to provide you with information regarding a new YMCA/YWCA facility.

#### **Where is the location for the new YMCA/YWCA facility?**

After extensive research, surveys, and focus groups, the best location for our new facility is our current location at 35 North Booth Street.

#### **Will this be a renovation or a new facility?**

We will be building a state-of-the-art new facility.

#### **Will the current facility remain open during construction?**

We plan on remaining open as we phase in the new facility.

#### **When will the new facility open?**

Our goal is to break ground during the spring of 2019 with the intention of opening the new facility fall of 2020.

#### **What will the new facility look like?**

More to come on this. We have a design team that is working on programming and design of our new facility.

#### **What will happen to the current facility?**

Eventually we will deconstruct all or most of the current facility.

#### **How will the Y determine what to include in the new facility?**

We have an extensive market research report that reflects what members and the community are looking for in programming. In addition, we have conducted several surveys and focus groups that have helped to identify community needs.

#### **Will there be a rate increase when the new Y opens?**

Our Board of Directors review membership rates annually. It is the intention of the Board not to raise rates the first year. Financial assistance will continue to be available for those in need.



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**What is the total cost of the project and how will it be funded?**

We are in the early phase of design, but we are estimating between eighteen and twenty-one million. The project will be funded by:

- Private donations
- Grants
- Community partner donations

**Why is the Dubuque Community YMCA/YWCA soliciting the community for financial support?**

The Dubuque Community YMCA/YWCA is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization. For 150 years the Dubuque Y has been a strong leader in our community. To continue our long and rich history in our community, we rely on the community's support and investment. Currently the Y serves 1 in 6 residents of the City of Dubuque and the needs of the community continue to grow. A charitable donation to the Dubuque YMCA/YWCA is an investment in building confident kids, healthy families, and a stronger community.

**Will the Y continue to offer financial assistance and scholarships?**

Yes, we are here for all. Financial assistance and scholarships will continue to be available.

**Is the Y for members only?**

No, the Dubuque Community YMCA/YWCA is not for members only; it is for everyone. Members are very important to the Y and are needed for the Y to exist, but the Y strives to be a welcoming, inclusive organization for everyone regardless of age, race, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, marital status, or socio-economic status.

**What happened to the North Port location?**

We worked closely with the City of Dubuque in determining if it was a viable location. In the end all indicators led us to our current location.

**What new programs will be offered?**

With a new facility and more space we will continue to align our programming by meeting the needs of the community. New programming will include several Y USA evidence-based programs including: Diabetes Prevention Program, Blood Pressure Monitoring Program, Enhanced Fitness (arthritis management), and LiveStrong Program for cancer survivors. We will continue to offer and grow our Reach & Rise Mentoring and Group Mentoring, Restorative Strategies, Victim Services Shelter, and Camp. We also hope to grow our youth sports, fitness class offerings.

**Will there be a competition pool?**

More to come on this, too, the design team is in the very early stages of programming.

**Will there be onsite licensed childcare and child watch?**

Yes, we will have an expanded licensed childcare center along with child watch.

**Will there be public/community space?**

Yes, the Y is here for all. The new Y will have dedicated meeting space for rent and community meetings. Pricing and availability will be determined closer to the grand opening.

**Will there be enough parking during construction?**

We will make every effort to make accommodations for adequate parking during construction.

**What happens to the house south of the building?**

The house will be deconstructed.

**Will members have input in the new facility design and programming?**

Yes, we will hold member input session.

**Timeline**

2014 – 2017

- Community needs assessment
- Market research
- Feasibility study
- Project planning
- Capital plan development

Fall 2017 - Site selection

Spring 2018 - Capital campaign kick-off

Spring 2019 - Ground breaking & construction begins

Fall 2020 - Grand opening – First splash!!

If you have further questions about specific details, we ask that you contact Abigail Degenhardt, Director of Marketing & Fund Development by emailing [adegenhardt@dubuquey.org](mailto:adegenhardt@dubuquey.org) or by calling 563.556.3371.