

Dear Friend of the Y,

Each year, the Y's dedicated volunteers, staff, and members join forces to raise essential funds for our community. Last year, these funds significantly expanded our services, reaching hundreds more families. Your financial support enables access to crucial Y programs like Youth Swim Lessons, Day Camps, Youth Sports, and more.

You make more possible:

<u>Partnering to build capacity:</u> Families and school districts alike seek **safe care beyond school hours**. Four Square church is helping us accommodate a surge in demand for winter, spring, and summer camps, ensuring **no child is turned away**. Collaborating with OUSD, GUSD, and SMBSD, we're also providing swim lessons during school days.

<u>Social Emotional Wellness (SEW):</u> **Proactively addressing behavioral challenges** in after-school and childcare settings, we're training staff to handle the mental wellness needs of youth struggling with reintegration into social constructs. CALM is equipping our staff with coping tools for hundreds of children.

<u>RiseUP:</u> Identifying kids at higher risk of gang involvement and dropout, we offer an educational experience and a 'bridge' to the Hancock College Bulldog program, **securing their educational futures**.

<u>Y Preschool:</u> Offering scholarships for quality, licensed preschool care, **we support families** in returning to work, ensuring the early development of children. Your support enables financial scholarships for those who need it most.

Because of you we can offer financial scholarships to those who need us the most. Thank you for making so much possible for so many. Please take care of yourselves and one another. Our community is more than ready to reconnect. We're delighted to be the catalyst for creating a stronger net for all.

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