For a better you. For a better family. For a better Kansas City.

YMCA OF GREATER KANSAS CITY
From advocacy to education, disease prevention to sports for all abilities, swim lessons to after school programs, the Y fills the gaps where society falls short.

With the support of generous donors, volunteers and partners, the Y strives to give every person and every community the chance to be healthy and thrive, to connect with others, and contribute to a better community.

The best way to see the impact is through the stories of people who have been part of some of our life-changing programs.

Read on to learn more about how individuals and families of all ages are growing stronger at the Y every day.

For a better you.
For a better community.
For a better country.

The Y. For a better us.
To address growing obesity rates and inactivity levels among Hispanic and Latino families, the Y offers Salsa, Sabor y Salud—a Spanish, culturally based program. Find out how it helped one mom change her lifestyle.

Thousands of families find support from before and after school programs and summer day camps every year. Read about how Y Club is providing one family education, resources and peace of mind.

The YMCA’s Diabetes Prevention Program helps adults at high risk of developing type 2 diabetes reduce their risk by taking steps to improve their overall health and well-being. Don shares his success.

Drowning is the second leading cause of accidental death in children ages 1-14. Learn about a partnership that strives to change this statistic by equipping kids like Silas and Harry with the swim and safety skills they need to stay safe in the water.

For 10 years, the YMCA Challenger program has given young people with physical, developmental and intellectual disabilities the opportunity stay active and make friends. Meet the Fraziers, one family who has benefited since the beginning.

From career exploration to college tours, the Young Achievers program helps teens reach their fullest potential. Amanda shares how the program provided her support and helped her dream bigger.
Everything the Y does is in service of making us—as individuals and a community—better.

FOR COMMUNITY IMPACT

FOR CONNECTIONS
1,929,863 visits that members make to the Y each year
136,048 lives touched by the Y through membership, programs, giving and volunteering

FOR WELL-BEING
52,611 children and teens stay active and learn new skills through Y membership and programs
76,410 adults and seniors improve their health and well-being through Y membership and programs

FOR FUTURES
1,482 children prepare for kindergarten in early learning and Head Start programs
8,268 youth discover new skills and friendship in before and after school programs and summer day camps

FOR COMMUNITIES
3,440 volunteers share their time and talents with the Y to strengthen the community
4,592 donors help ensure a brighter future through their gifts to the Y

Making an Impact
Whether you’re volunteering your time or making a donation of money, goods or services to the Y, your gift strengthens our community and advances our programs.

Endless Possibilities
Y Member
ADAPTIVE/CHALLENGER
Young people ages 4–30 with physical, developmental and intellectual disabilities have the opportunity to build confidence and friendships through sports and social experiences in the YMCA's Challenger program. Inclusive activities are adapted for all abilities. Participants are supported as needed by volunteer Buddies, who provide encouragement, assistance, safety and nurturing support.

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL Y CLUB
With a focus on safety, health, social growth and academic enhancement, our licensed Y Club before and after school programs give kindergartners through sixth graders a safe, supportive and fun environment to learn, develop interests and make friends. Programs are offered at schools throughout the metro, giving families added convenience.

CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION
To help people manage and prevent chronic disease, we provide classes, programs, health assessments and wellness coaching. Opportunities include the Y's healthy living program for cancer survivors, the YMCA's Diabetes Prevention Program for people diagnosed with prediabetes, blood pressure monitoring, and group exercise classes designed for people coping with arthritis and strokes.

EARLY EDUCATION
Our licensed early education programs provide infants through preschoolers a nurturing environment where kids are safe and supported while learning, growing, making friends, and preparing for success in kindergarten and beyond. Programs and locations include YMCA early learning centers, early education programs held in elementary schools, and Head Start programs for families who meet income and eligibility guidelines.

HEALTHY LIVING PARTNERS
We work with companies throughout our community to make our Y’s healthy living programs and support more accessible to their employees. Companies and the Y partner to offer memberships to their associates and programs on site, such as health seminars, blood pressure measurements, and diabetes prevention assessments and classes.

SPORTS
Kids as young as 3 have the opportunity to be active, build confidence, learn new skills and make new friends in sports at the Y. Youth sports are a fun and engaging way to learn important life lessons, including positive competition, fair play, the value of participation over winning, team-building, positive self-image and respect for others.

SUMMER DAY CAMP
Y Summer Day Camps are full of learning, adventure, active play and friendship. A wide variety of camp experiences include field trips, swimming, reading, arts and more, to help kids stay active mentally and physically throughout the summer. Specialty camps range from sports and engineering to community service.

SWIM
Swimming is a life skill as well as great exercise and a challenging sport. Ys offer swim lessons for all ages starting with Parent/Child Lessons, youth swim clubs and teams, Masters Swimming for adults, a variety of water fitness classes, and adaptive swim programs for kids with special needs, so we can all safely enjoy the pleasures of an aquatic environment.

VOLUNTEERISM
The Y counts on generous volunteers who donate their time and talents to strengthen our community. Y volunteers provide direct support to programs, raise needed funds, support special events, and provide leadership by serving on Community Mission Boards and the Board of Directors. In addition, the Y's Togetherhood™ program gives members the opportunity to be part of meaningful community service projects that benefit people and organizations in their neighborhood.

YOUTH ENRICHMENT AND LEADERSHIP
To ensure every child has the opportunity to pursue a positive future, the Y offers a variety of enrichment and leadership activities. Programs include Young Achievers to support teens to explore careers and prepare for college, Youth and Government to give high schoolers hands-on learning about the legislative process; and Youth Volunteer Corps hosted by the Y, to promote a lifetime commitment of service among youth ages 11–18 through service learning and volunteering.

Y CENTERS
Centers throughout the metro support wellness and a sense of community for all ages through membership and a range of programs and activities open to the community. Programs for individuals and families vary from location to location, as centers tailor their offerings to the unique needs of the neighborhoods they serve.
Oralia never struggled with her weight.

But as life presented her and her husband with the challenges of jobs, home ownership and raising children, Oralia found her waistline expanding and her energy levels low.

"I was still cooking and eating the traditional foods we loved, the beef tacos, stewed meats, tortillas. All foods high in fat and salt, and I wasn’t exercising. I got to 235 pounds."

A visit to her doctor was a turning point, when her physician told her she had blood pressure problems.

"I’ll never forget because she asked ‘Do you care about your kids?’ and I thought, of course I do! Then she said, ‘Then you need to take care of yourself.’ I had never seen it quite that way before,” Oralia said.

Oralia was ready to make a change, but wasn’t sure where to begin. Until one day she accompanied a friend to a local clinic and someone told her about the Y’s Salsa, Sabor y Salud program. The program, designed to help families learn the importance of reading labels, substituting healthier ingredients in favorite recipes, portion control and more, all in Spanish, sounded great.

"Before that day, I hadn’t heard of the Y,” Oralia said. “But I joined the class."

After a couple lessons, Oralia decided to use her Y membership, which is provided for free during the six-week Salsa program. She started with the treadmill, but then tried group exercise classes, which she enjoyed.

"I’ll never forget because she asked ‘Do you care about your kids?’ and I thought, of course I do!” —Oralia

When the Salsa classes ended, Oralia had already changed her habits and had more confidence to press on to lose more weight.

"I was drinking more water, no soda. I ate out less. I decided to get a membership and include my family,” Oralia said. "The atmosphere at the Y is very friendly."

The family remains involved. Oralia’s daughter volunteers at the 8th Street Family YMCA.

“She enjoys spending time there and using her bilingual skills,” Oralia said. "I trust she’s in a safe and motivating environment."

“If I ran into someone that was thinking about joining the Y but wasn’t sure, I think I would take them to the Y myself!” she laughs. “I’ve done that with a friend of mine! I tell her, they have people that speak Spanish there. And my daughter is there too and she can help you.”

Salsa, Sabor y Salud helps Hispanic families

The Gutierrez family found a positive and motivating environment at the Y. Pictured are Oralia and her husband Morone, with their children Angel and Angela.

ABOUT SALSA, SABOR Y SALUD

For Hispanic and Latino families, Salsa, Sabor y Salud encourages healthy eating and being more active through a culturally-based curriculum and Spanish instruction. It addresses the growing obesity rates and inactivity levels among Hispanic and Latino families in America.

Y PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

An average of 200 individuals per year

Sessions meet for 6 weeks

Offered at 4 Y locations across the metro

PROGRAM PARTICIPANT RESPONSES

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A blessing is how Wiesje Sammis describes the Y Club before and after school program.

In 2011, Wiesje’s five children started school at Rosehill Elementary in the Shawnee Mission School District. Soon after she learned about Y Club. A single mom, Wiesje (pronounced “Wisha”) is grateful she received a scholarship and reduced rate for her five children to attend the program, which provides a safe environment, homework help, healthy snacks and social opportunities for kids.

“I know the kids will learn, and I know they’re safe,” Wiesje said.

All five kids also had the opportunity to attend Camp Naish Environmental Day Camp one summer.

Now Wiesje has just two kids at the Rosehill Y Club—6th grader Bailey, age 11, and 4th grader Terrelle, age 9. Two of the older kids have moved on to middle school. And the oldest, Aubrianna, is now in 9th grade and gives back as a Y Club volunteer to help with tutoring.

“You feel like it’s a second home and not day care,” Wiesje said. “I just love it. It gives me total peace.”

The benefits of Y Club carry over at home. One game changer for the family was when Bailey and Terrelle were accepted in the Y Club’s after school tutoring program two years ago. Y Club fees became free, thanks to grant funding for the tutoring program, and both kids are on the Honor Roll now.

“We used to sit at the dining room table two to three hours a night doing homework,” Wiesje said. “We don’t have to do that anymore. Just to relieve that stress, to be able to let me interact with my kids—it gives me more time with them.”

The learning will continue this summer for Terrelle, who was accepted to the Y’s Summer Learning Loss Prevention Program at Rosehill that focuses on improving reading skills over the summer so kids are more prepared to begin the next grade in the fall. The six-week program also offers enrichment, healthy meals, social interaction and physical activities.

Wiesje is especially glad that Terrelle is accepted to go to the summer reading program because he’s her youngest.

“I want to make sure he is safe,” she said, adding that it will be great to know he will still keep learning in the summer and bond with his friends.

The reading program is also free, thanks to donations and grant funding.

Wiesje’s kids are fans of Y Club, too.

“They love it,” Wiesje said. “The kids are excited.”

For PEACE OF MIND

Kids and families love after school programs

“You feel like it is a second home and not day care. I just love it. It give me total peace.” —Wiesje

A majority of parents surveyed said the program helped their children:

- Increase reading skills and read more often
- Improve their attitude about school
- Improve self-confidence
- Become more physically active
- Eat more fruits and vegetables

Each summer, over 2,120 children and teens discover fun, friendship and new skills while staying active mentally and physically in Summer Day Camps.

Over 6,140 children find homework help, physical activity and friends in before and after school Y Clubs.

About 150 students each summer have the opportunity to boost their reading skills and participate in enrichment and healthy living activities in the Summer Learning Loss Prevention Program.

More than 60 percent of Y Club participants improve throughout the year in:

- Healthy Living Knowledge—understanding healthy habits related to physical activity and nutrition, such as limiting screen time and identifying healthy foods and drinks
- Physical Activity Behavior—spending time daily being active
- Academic Importance—valuing learning, understanding school work and completing homework
- Academic Self-Efficacy—confidence to perform tasks associated with academic success, such as completing homework, working independently and asking for help when needed
- Social Self-Efficacy—performing social skills well, such as expressing opinions when others disagree, working with others and maintaining friendships

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The ‘Y: For a better us.’
Proven program helps reduce risk of diabetes

Don Osborn had been active and didn’t have a family history of diabetes. So he was shocked to learn after a routine physical that his blood work showed he had prediabetes.

A member at Platte County Community Center North operated by the YMCA, Don saw fliers about the YMCA’s Diabetes Prevention Program. He attended a pre-meeting to learn more, and began the year-long program just before Christmas 2015.

The program consists of 16 weekly sessions followed by eight monthly sessions. In a relaxed classroom setting, a trained lifestyle coach helps participants learn skills to incorporate healthy eating, more physical activity and other behavior changes into their everyday lives. The goals of the program for each participant are a 7 percent weight loss and an increase in physical activity to 150 minutes a week.

The YMCA’s Diabetes Prevention Program helps adults at high risk of developing type 2 diabetes reduce their risk for developing the disease by taking steps to improve their overall health and well-being. The year-long program helps participants lose weight and increase physical activity. YMCA of Greater Kansas City is one of more than 200 Ys across the country offering the program.

Don Osborn is feeling healthier and reducing his risk of diabetes in the YMCA’s Diabetes Prevention Program.

“‘I feel healthier, I feel more active, I feel so good I could do things that I couldn’t do before.’ —Don

By the time Don was three months into the program, he had already lost 75 percent of the weight he wanted to lose and had worked up to 150 minutes a week of exercise.

“I feel really good,” he said. “I feel healthier, I feel more active, I feel so good I could do things that I couldn’t do before.”

For example, when his brother asked for help moving, he was able to say yes. And now he’s not carrying around extra weight when he chases his grandson.

He’s changed his eating habits as well. Participants in the program are asked to track what they eat. Don uses a mobile app to track his food and learned he needed to monitor the fat grams in his food.

“You start making choices about what you’re going to do… plan what you’re going to eat,” he said. The program helps participants learn to do things like check restaurant menus online before eating out so they have all of the nutrition information available to make the healthiest choice.

The YMCA’s Diabetes Prevention Program also offers the support of a lifestyle coach and other participants who are experiencing similar challenges.

“Sue is my instructor. She does an outstanding job,” Don said. “She really encourages us.”

Did you know?

Research by the National Institutes of Health has shown that programs like the YMCA’s Diabetes Prevention Program can reduce the number of new cases of type 2 diabetes by 58%, and 71% in adults over the age of 60.

Studies also show the lifestyle changes in programs like the YMCA’s Diabetes Prevention Program are more effective than the drug metformin at controlling blood sugar levels.

With metformin: 31% of study participants controlled blood sugar levels.  
With lifestyle changes: 61% of study participants age 60 and older controlled blood sugar levels, and 58% of people under age 60 controlled blood sugar levels.

A GROWING NEED

Across the country 86 million people in the United States have prediabetes, yet only 10% of them are aware of it.

29 million Americans have diabetes.

IN MISSOURI

1.6 million people (35.6% of adults) have prediabetes  
644,124 people (12.8% of adults) have diabetes

IN KANSAS

749,000 people (35.5% of adults) have prediabetes  
272,309 people (11.9% of adults) have diabetes
As she stood in the bright lights and bustling crowds of New York City’s Times Square with her peers and leaders from the YMCA of Greater City’s Young Achievers program, Amanda Johnson’s life changed.

She was a high school sophomore on the Spring 2014 Young Achievers College Tour and 1,200 miles from home. In that moment, she realized something important that she will always carry with her.

“We have this potential that is so great but sometimes it just takes a push for us to see it,” she said. “I would have never dreamed of going to Times Square.”

But thanks to the Young Achievers program, she had that opportunity. Each year, the Young Achievers College Tour gives teens an opportunity to explore colleges and universities in a different region of the United States.

For Amanda, the experiences on that college tour in 2014 helped her plan for the future.

“It was very inspiring to see kids who went out of state for college,” she said. “I really started to see myself at a different level of achievement…I gained options.”

The college tour is just one way Young Achievers helps teens reach their fullest potential. Throughout her sophomore through senior years of high school, Amanda also attended Young Achievers sessions two Saturdays a month that allow students to learn about college, careers, community service and even life skills such as building positive relationships and managing personal finances.

As a senior, Amanda attended the 2016 Spring College Tour, was accepted to five of the schools and received a total of $34,000 in scholarships. When she returned home, she was able to narrow down her choices to Florida A&M, Tuskegee University and Missouri State.

The college tours and twice-a-month meetings give students a more in-depth view of what the transition from high school to higher education to career may look like, and what they need to know to be successful.

“The best part of Young Achievers is being able to be around people who are supportive,” Amanda said. “And also being able to have hands-on experiences with career exploration that we wouldn’t normally have as part of school.”

“...great but sometimes it just takes a push for us to see it.” —Amanda

For Amanda Johnson, Young Achievers has helped her prepare for a successful transition from high school to college to career.

ABOUT YOUNG ACHIEVERS
Youth in 7th through 12th grade gain the tools they need for success in college and beyond. A variety of activities provide students an opportunity to gain life skills that will help them raise their academic standards, develop a positive sense of self, build character, explore diverse college and career options, and meet and interact with professionals who serve as role models and sources of inspiration.

REACH
› 622 teens participate in Young Achievers
› Students represent 56 schools across 6 metro counties

COLLEGE TOUR
› 2016 participants: 80 students
› Financial assistance for trip: $24,000
› College acceptances awarded to students: 58
› Total college scholarships: $658,580

Ready for the future

› Over the last 4 years, students have earned more than $2.1 million in scholarships on the college tour.
› In 2015, 100% of seniors in the program were accepted and enrolled in college. They earned $470,267 in scholarships.
Eight-year-old twins Harry and Silas Crowe confidently jumped into the deep end of the pool and swam to the wall during a swim lesson at Henley Aquatics Center in Independence.

You would never know that just four weeks earlier, the boys were nervous about the lessons. Harry in particular, was uncomfortable in the water after falling into a pool at a friend’s house.

“Harry wouldn’t venture away from anything he could hold onto or stand on,” said their dad, Tom Crowe.

Now the fear had subsided as the boys and their classmates learned important swim and safety skills from a YMCA instructor. The lessons are provided at no cost to families thanks to a partnership between the Blue Springs Family YMCA and the Independence School District that began in 2012.

The district receives grant funds to support the program, and the Y provides certified swim lesson instructors. Second-graders in the school district ride a bus to the district’s Henley Aquatics Center after school, once a week for six weeks. Students even receive swimsuits if needed.

As many as 80 students and 12 teachers are in the water each night of the lessons. For many of the students, Harry and Silas included, it’s the first time they’ve had formal swim lessons.

Look no further than this statistic on why it’s so important for kids to learn to swim: Drowning is the second leading cause of accidental death in children ages 1-14.

Partnerships like this one between the Blue Springs Family YMCA and the Independence School District are helping to change this statistic by equipping more kids with the skills needed to keep them safe in the water.

Harry said that before the lessons began, he couldn’t swim much. “I tried but I couldn’t,” he said.

But thanks to the lessons, he and his brother are swimming in the deep end for the first time and learning important skills like floating and proper arm and leg movements in the water. They’re also building confidence along the way. “I feel really good about it and now I’m not shy about the water,” Silas said.

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**ABOUT THE Y’S LEARN TO SWIM PROGRAM**

Students learn basic skills, including floating, jumping in and getting back to the wall, swimming on their front and back, and treading water. Students who master those skills then work on specific strokes. Lessons also teach safety, such as how to assist someone who is struggling by reaching or throwing a flotation device to them, when to wear a life vest, only to swim where there is a lifeguard, and how to call 911 in an emergency.

**THE NEED**

Drowning is the second leading cause of accidental death in children ages 1-14

**IMPACT**

- 88% improved their swimming skills
- 67% of children gained three or more new swimming skills
- 29% of children gained five or more new swimming skills

Based on assessment of Independence School District lessons

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Tom Crowe is thankful his sons Silas, left, and Harry, right, have had the opportunity to take swim lessons as part of the Independence School District’s partnership with the Y.
Family finds support from YMCA Challenger

From the very first YMCA Challenger baseball game a decade ago in 2006, the Frazier family has been part of the program.

Rick Frazier said his family stumbled into Challenger as a resource for his son, Max, who has special needs.

"Sometimes when you’re a family with special needs it’s very isolating," Rick said.

But with YMCA Challenger, he and his wife, Cornelia, found support for Max and for the entire family, which also includes their son, Jack.

"We found other families going through similar experiences, and we could share resources with each other," Rick said.

They also found a supportive staff. Rick recalls that in the early days of the program, at the request of families, staff ordered softer cotton shirts for the kids, which would be more comfortable for those with sensory issues.

“They want to learn from us, too,” Rick said of the staff, who not only responded to feedback but asked what else they could do to make it a better experience for kids and their families.

Soon, the Fraziers were all involved in Challenger—Max playing every sport, his brother Jack supporting him as his Challenger Buddy on the field or on the court, Rick as a coach, and Cornelia volunteering at Challenger fundraisers.

Throughout the past 10 years, Max, now 20 years old, has continued to thrive. Not only has the program helped him learn new skills, such as dribbling a soccer ball down the field, but just as beneficial have been the social opportunities.

"Max has always been really social," Rick said. "As social as he is, with his condition, he does sometimes withdraw. Challenger has really helped give him a structured outlet. It’s also established a big network for him of people he’s known for years."

At Max’s side during the past 10 years has been his brother, Jack, now 18. He started volunteering because he knew Max better than anyone and wanted him to have fun at sports.

“It has been great to get to know the other kids and see how Max and his friends have such a great time, and know that I can be a small part of that,” Jack said.

"Challenger has really helped give him a structured outlet.” —Rick

Y PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

ABOUT THE YMCA CHALLENGER PROGRAM

Each week, families and volunteers come together to give kids with diverse needs the opportunity to be active in sports, social and recreational activities. They create memories and friendships that will last a lifetime.

This innovative program has become a model for Ys and other organizations around the country. Activities have expanded over the years, going beyond sports to include social activities for young adults. In 2010, the one-of-a-kind, all-accessible Fred and Shirley Pryor YMCA Challenger Sports Complex opened.

Growth over the years

2006
› 91 youth participated in Challenger
› 40 Challenger volunteers
› 2 sports
› 2 locations

TODAY
› 1,270 youth and young adults participate in Challenger
› 868 Challenger volunteers
› 8 sports
› 20+ young adult activities and special events
› 4 locations

Max Frazier, center, has been involved in YMCA Challenger since it began a decade ago. His brother, Jack, is his volunteer Buddy on the field. Dad Rick, right, coaches the team.
Our commitment to our cause and our financial commitments go hand in hand. Without financial stability, we wouldn’t be able to strengthen the community. At the Y, we leverage every dollar, and we manage our finances to fulfill our mission and ensure that our Ys are affordable and accessible to all.

2015 TOTAL PUBLIC SUPPORT AND REVENUE: $44,249,986

- **Public Support**: 75%
  - Contributions: $1,754,066
  - United Way: $1,043,902
  - Fees and Grants from Government Agencies: $8,577,483
- **Earned Revenue**: 25%
  - Membership: $15,096,355
  - Programs: $17,778,180
- **Total Support**: $11,375,451
  - Total Revenue: $32,874,535

2015 TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES AND ALLOCATED EXPENSES: $44,249,986

- **Program Expenses**: 42%
  - Healthy Living: $13,742,467
  - Youth Development: $15,019,981
  - Healthy Living: $13,742,467
- **Allocated Expenses**: 25%
  - Supporting Services to Programs: $5,690,694
  - Financial Costs: $5,333,968
  - Change in Net Assets: $2,053,845
- **Total Allocated Expenses**: $8,278,507

Dollars are reflective of annual operations of the Association only. The YMCA of Greater Kansas City is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization and may receive tax deductible contributions as allowed by law.
LEADERSHIP

The YMCA of Greater Kansas City is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. In addition, our Foundation Board manages our Y’s endowment fund. We are grateful to these individuals who share their time to lead and serve the Y.

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