



YMCA Calgary Opportunity Fund | Providing YMCA Opportunities for All

YMCA Calgary wants everyone to have the opportunity to take part in its programs and enjoy its facilities and services. Assistance is available at all YMCA branches and program sites for those who feel they would benefit from joining the YMCA, but are financially unable, not unwilling, to pay the full general membership and/or program fees.

The YMCA Calgary Opportunity Fund is partly supported by dollars raised annually through YMCA Calgary's Strong Kids Campaign. It is through the outstanding generosity of our YMCA family and friends that everyone can have a YMCA experience.

OPTION 1: Am I eligible for the Opportunity Fund?

Applicants for the Opportunity Fund are pre-approved if you are a verified recipient of:



- IS: Income Support
- AISH: Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped
- ACHB: Alberta Child Health Benefits
- AAHB: Alberta Adult Health Benefits
- City Of Calgary Fee Assistance Card
- Letter from community partnering organizations (contact Member Services for more details)

Please bring one of the above benefits card(s) to Member Services and get information about how you can begin your YMCA membership at a reduced cost.

OPTION 2: If I don't qualify under OPTION 1 then how do I apply?



Eligibility for the Opportunity Fund is determined by family income and size using the government's Low Income Cut-Off Chart (LICO) as a guideline.

- Come for a tour to learn about the YMCA (facilities, schedules and programs & services for all ages).
- Complete the application attached to this form and gather the necessary information.
- Bring your completed application and information to Member Services at the home branch you wish to join.

Frequently Asked Questions

How does the YMCA determine how much I can afford to pay?
The YMCA uses the government's Low Income Cut-Off Chart to determine your eligibility.

If I receive assistance from the Opportunity Fund, what is expected of me?

Please keep all information and fees discussed confidential, complete all payments and you must use the facility a minimum of twice a week.

Can the YMCA deny my application for membership and/or program assistance?

Your request could be denied if you have not met the minimum facility usage requirements or if your financial information does not identify an inability to pay for the fees.

Is it possible to join the YMCA for free?

Everyone must pay some portion of the annual membership/program fee.

How do I renew my membership?

All memberships have an expiry date (up to one year). The YMCA does not remind you when your membership expires. As a member, it is your responsibility to contact Member Services to renew your membership. You must bring in your current income documents to be renewed. Your facility use will be reviewed.



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For more information call us or visit www.ymcacalgary.org



YMCA Calgary Opportunity Fund | Application Form

MAIN CONTACT DETAILS

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

M F Birthdate: ____/____/____ Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
(year/mth/day)

Street: _____ City: _____ Province: ____ Postal Code: _____

Home Email: _____ Work Email: _____

Medical Information: _____
(Information we should know regarding any health problems that may affect your involvement in exercise)

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Emergency Contact Phone: _____

Employer: _____ Business Phone: _____

Please list the name of your spouse or partner and your dependents under the age of 25 who will have a membership at the YMCA.

Last Name	First Name	Gender	Birthdate (year/mth/day)	Income (before taxes - line 236 of Notice of Assessment)
Total				

ALL APPLICANTS:

To process monthly payments you must provide a void cheque, Visa or Mastercard to set up your YMCA Membership.

OPTION 1:

You are pre-approved for YMCA Opportunity Fund. Thank you for providing the necessary documentation.

OPTION 2:

You must bring at LEAST one of the following documents.

- Your most recent Income Tax Assessment
- Current paystubs for each adult in the family (min 1 month)
- Referral letter from a government/social service agency

In addition, bring documentation regarding all other sources of income applicable to you.

- Student Finance
- WCB
- Child Support
- Child Tax Credit

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY (Input under custom prompts)

Start date _____

End date _____

of mths _____ Rate _____ /mth + GST = _____

Program _____ %

Special conditions _____

Option 1

Documentation received _____

Verified/approved by _____
(print full name)

Today's Date _____

Option 2

Documentation received _____

Verified/approved by _____
(print full name)

Today's Date _____

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