

Interview Checklist

Please submit the following information to the Camp Chief Hector YMCA city office. If you do not bring all of your paperwork, there may be a delay.

*** If you already receive other forms of assistance, please inform us as you may pre-qualify for YMCA assistance.**

- Bank statements (chequing and savings)
- Proof of current family income (includes all family members)
- Employment Insurance
- Worker’s Compensation
- Child tax credits
- Child support
- Other forms of income (e.g. government programs)
- Rent or mortgage
- Property taxes
- Utilities (gas and hydro)
- Medical needs
- Car payments and insurance
- Loans (student loans, credit cards, personal line of credit)
- Childcare
- Phone, cable and internet bills

Please submit recent statements or receipts for any of the expenses or income that apply.

Note: A maximum dollar amount will be applied for these monthly expenses based on basic needs: food, clothing, telephone, public transportation, insurance and Alberta Health Care.

YMCA Calgary Mission Statement

YMCA Calgary is a charitable organization driven by its mission to facilitate and promote the spiritual, mental, physical and social development of individuals and to foster a sense of responsibility within the community.

YMCA Calgary Values Statement

YMCA Calgary is committed to practicing and demonstrating the core values of respect, honesty, responsibility and caring in all aspects of the organization.

If you have any further questions, please contact the registration office at:

Camp Chief Hector YMCA (city office)
 510 - 940 6 Ave SW
 Calgary, AB T2P 3T1
 phone: (403) 269-6156
 fax: (403) 237-8085

Opportunity Fund



Financial assistance is available for those who are financially unable to pay the full program fee.



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Opportunity Fund Statement

YMCA Calgary wants everyone to have the opportunity to take part in its programs and enjoy its facilities and services. Assistance is available for those who feel they would benefit from joining the YMCA, but are financially unable, not unwilling, to pay the full fees. Contact the Camp Chief Hector YMCA for further information.

The YMCA Calgary Opportunity Fund is supported in part 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.

Application Process

To apply for the Opportunity Fund, the following steps must be followed in order to register your child:

- Fill in the subsidy application form in full.
- Gather income and expense documents.
- Return the two items above, along with a registration form and deposit of \$150 per camper (if this is beyond your capabilities, please contact our office to arrange an alternative amount).
- Once ALL of the above is received by the registration office, you will be contacted by phone to arrange an interview time. If you have already been through a personal interview in the past, please see section "Previous Applicants."

By receiving this brochure, you have shown an interest in giving your child a fun, safe and memorable camp experience. The Opportunity Fund does not provide 100% funding. Partial payment (a deposit) by you is required in order to register your child for camp and shows your commitment to this opportunity.

Interview Process

Each new applicant must have an interview. This interview takes approximately half an hour and is completely confidential. Income, expenses, loans, special situation, etc. will all be discussed and taken into consideration.

Through this process, a total fee and a monthly payment plan will be arranged.

Previous Applicants

Those who have been previously assisted are encouraged to contribute a larger amount towards their child's next outdoor experience.

If you have previously been assisted by the YMCA Strong Kids fund to send your child to the Camp Chief Hector YMCA and have already been through a personal interview, you do not need to arrange for another one. However, you will still be required to fill in an application form, send in the deposit and include current income and expense documents. As outlined in this pamphlet, we will contact you to discuss your financial situation and work out a payment plan.

Payment Options

We understand that paying your camp fees can be a real challenge, so we'd like to be as flexible as possible. See below for our various payment options.

- In full
- Monthly Payments
 - Pre-authorized payments from Visa, Mastercard or debit on the 4th or 17th of each month.
 - Come in person and pay by cash, money orders or cheque.
 - Your deposit cannot be post-dated.

Opportunity Fund Statement

How does the YMCA determine how much I can afford to pay?

You should pay as much of the fee as you possibly can. Your fee is based on your needs and your current financial situation. We will come to a financial agreement that works for both you and the YMCA.

Will others know my child was subsidized?

No, this is completely confidential. Only the registration office will know this information. Neither the counselors nor other children will know this information.

I want to pay the full fee but won't be able to before the deadline. What can I do?

If you are able to pay the full fee but need a deadline extension, please contact the registration office.

What about clothing and equipment?

Parents/guardians are responsible for all personal clothing and equipment that each child must bring to camp i.e. sleeping bag, rain gear, large backpacks. Equipment requirements specific to your child's camp will be discussed during your interview. Complete equipment lists are available at our website at www.ymcalgary.org.

Can the YMCA deny my application for program assistance?

Your request for subsidy could be denied if your financial information does not identify an inability to pay the fees.