



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT®
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

RENOVATE. REDECORATE. REPURPOSE.

The Mississippi Gulf Coast YMCA is kicking off a 60-day campaign on July 4th with the Wesson Run. The YMCA would like to ask for your consideration in helping us renovate, redecorate, and repurpose the Wesson Building.

Youth Development, one of the important elements of the Y, focuses on our toddlers, youth, pre-teens and teens. Through Youth Development, the Y strives to provide a safe, welcoming and secure learning environment for our young people.



Our estimated cost to complete the Wesson Renovation is \$35,000 to \$40,000. This is solely a volunteer effort led by those who desire to make this a beautiful new structure, in which everyone can be proud.

Beginning July 4th, come join us and be prepared to "kick in" a few dollars for this exciting new project to make our local facility the best in Mississippi.

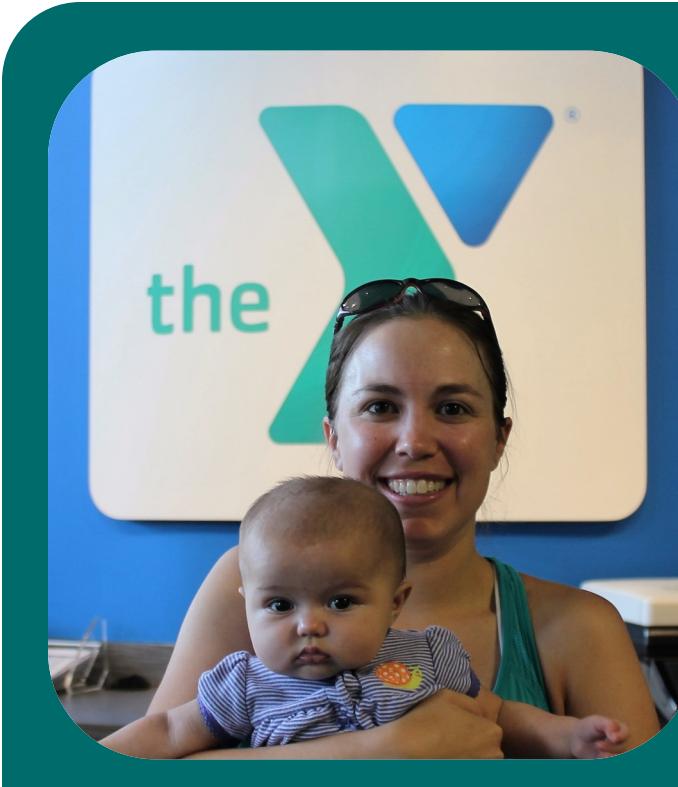
Your investment in this project will make a significant impact.

-Mickey Williams

OUR Y STORIES :



We joined the YMCA a year ago, and have absolutely loved our experience ever since. The YMCA allows us to come and workout as a family while our 4 children interact and play in Childwatch. What we love most is how loving and attentive all of the Childwatch workers are. We've always felt comfortable leaving our kids to play while we work out.
-Kayla



I come to the Y for my physical and mental health. I have 3 kids ages 4 months, 2 years old & 4 years old. For me, exercising has been such a stress reliever & my kids love the break from me. They ask every day if we are going to the Y so they can play. I'm thankful that the Y is a place I can bring my children. My friends in Gulfport constantly tell me that I'm lucky that we have a place to exercise with a Childwatch facility in Ocean Springs.
-Joy Perrine



Why do I work out? Heart Disease! My dad dies of a heart attack at 65, and I'm determined that I will not do the same. The YMCA provides me with the classes and equipment I need to live a healthier and more fit life. I know my children are taken care of in Childwatch so I can take care of myself. The YMCA has not only helped me physically but mentally and it's there that I've met some great like-minded friends.
-Alexis Williams

The Y child care has been a godsend for our family! As new residents of the area, we were in desperate need of dependable child care for time to move in and settle into our new home. The child care providers know our son by name and welcome him each time we arrive. He enjoys playing with the other children in a safe and fun environment.
-Kathy



I love my YMCA! I love working here. I love the people. I love how much my family loves to be here; playing, swimming, classes, etc. Childwatch has been so important for me & my family. I teach about 4 classes a week and am also starting a homeschooling adventure, with my beautiful children, this year. The wonderful caregivers in Childwatch enable me to feel confident to leave my children and give my all, to the classes I teach or attend. This way, even while I am homeschooling, I know my children can come to work with me and we can easily continue with our schedules. Thank you YMCA for all you do!
-Clarissa DeMauro



I joined the Y in Jan 3013 during the free registration month. The Y has a long history in the community so joining here felt right over all other fitness gyms in the city. First, I mainly used the gym area, but now I mostly do the group fitness classes-mainly Zumba. Childwatch was one of the main draws & definite benefits of joining. The Childwatch staff are nice and great with my children, I do not worry about them at all. My daughter is currently at Taconi Summer Camp. I now teach Zumba part-time at the Y and I've made many friends and I love every minute of it.
-Heather Williams



We love the OS YMCA. I have 3 children and the Y is the best facility to accommodate all of us while my 12 year old and I take classes. My toddlers get to play in an awesome playroom with caregivers they really like OR they can even take their own exercise class. The pools are really great too. We can relax outside on hot days or swim laps inside. Most of my mom-friends use the Y as well so we get to spend time together, childless! The YMCA is so great for my family and our health!
-The Higginbothams



We have been members of the Y for 2 years. They love going to Childwatch. The staff is so friendly. They make me feel so safe leaving my kids. Most days, my kids don't want to leave when I finish working out. Childwatch is the main reason we chose the YMCA over a conventional gym. Now that we are here, it's like a family to us. It is so good to know my kids are on site with me, in good hands & I'm right there when or if my kids need me.
-Elizabeth Bonilla

EVERY GIFT MAKES A DIFFERENCE. PLEASE GIVE TODAY TO SHARE IN THE STRENGTHENING OF OUR COMMUNITY.