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The Y Announces Summer Feeding Program Sites & Times.

Summer program helps meet the needs of childhood food insecurity in Pennington County.

RAPID CITY, JUNE 3, 2024 – The YMCA of Rapid City has announced its free Summer Feeding Program meal site locations for 2024. Any child under age 18, or senior over age 60, will be provided a free meal for breakfast and lunch. The program runs from June 3 to August 9 at the Y Café; and June 5 to August 9 at Main Street Square, downtown Rapid City. Meals are served on-site, and a seating area is provided. The YMCA is an equal opportunity provider, and summer serving times and locations are as follows:

YMCA of Rapid City Y Café – 815 Kansas City Street

Breakfast Monday-Friday: 7:15AM-8:45AM (June 3-August 9)

Lunch Monday-Friday: 11:30AM-1PM (June 5-August 9)

Main Street Square – 512 Main Street, Downtown Rapid City

Lunch Monday-Friday: 11:45AM-1PM (June 5-August 9)

“The Y Summer Feeding Program provides any child under age 18 with no-cost, healthy meal options in an enriching environment throughout the summer months,” James Jackson, YMCA of Rapid City Food Service Director states. “This program helps strengthen our community by improving the health and well-being of people of all ages.”

According to Feeding South Dakota, in 2021 9% of residents in Pennington County struggled with food insecurity, meaning they did not have enough food at times to live a healthy, active and full life. In 2022, that number jumped to 11.8%. The YMCA is part of the Friends of Food Security Group facilitated by the Black Hills Area Community Foundation, where members are focused on identifying needs and developing solutions to address food insecurity together.

Questions? Please contact the Y at 605-718-9622, via email to jamesj@rcymca.org or visit rcymca.org

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About the Rapid City Y

Driven by its founding mission, the Rapid City Y has served as a leading nonprofit committed to strengthening community for more than 76 years. The Y empowers everyone, no matter who they are or where they're from, by ensuring access to resources, relationships and opportunities for all to learn, grow and thrive. By bringing together people from different backgrounds, perspectives and generations, the Y's goal is to improve overall health and well-being, ignite youth empowerment and demonstrate the importance of connections in and across 10,000 communities nationwide. Learn more at rcymca.org