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The Y Receives Funding to Teach 300 Youth and Adults to Swim

Boca Raton, FL (5/3/24) – The YMCA of South Palm Beach County was awarded \$21,000 in grant funding from Y USA Learn to Swim in order to provide free swim lessons to 200 children from underserved communities in South Palm Beach County, as well as 100 teens/adults.

“As ‘America’s Swim Instructor,’ the YMCA of South Palm Beach County teaches nearly 3,000 children annually valuable water safety and swimming skills,” said Jason Hagensick, President and CEO of the YMCA of South Palm Beach County. “Now more than ever, it’s important to remind parents and caregivers that water safety needs to be top-of-mind as families start to return to their favorite summertime activities.”

“As temperatures rise, individuals of all ages are looking to cool off, whether that is in home pools, ponds, lakes, rivers, streams, or oceans. And that means the risk of drowning is as prevalent as ever,” states Libby Moon, Associate Director of Water Safety for the YMCA of South Palm Beach County.

Our Community Outreach team of swim instructors and lifeguards partner with various local community centers, religious groups and not-for-profit organizations to help their participants learn how to be safer around the water.

The Y has been a leader in providing swim lessons and water safety education for more than 50 years. There are a variety of programs to choose from, including family swim, competitive swim teams, Adaptive swim, Aquatics camp and more. To learn how to qualify for financial assistance, please contact Libby Moon at 561-237-0950, Lmoon@ymcaspb.org.

About the YMCA

Driven by its founding mission, the YMCA has served as a leading nonprofit organization committed to strengthening community for more than 175 years. The Y empowers everyone, no matter who they are or where they are from, by ensuring access to resources, relationships and opportunities for all to learn, grow and thrive. The YMCA of South Palm Beach County serves as a community anchor in Palm Beach County by enriching lives and strengthening community through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. The YMCA of South Palm Beach County is comprised of The Peter Blum Family YMCA of Boca Raton, The DeVos-Blum Family YMCA of Boynton Beach, THE LAB: YMCA Leadership Academy, and the YMCA@901 NCCI. For more information, please visit YMCASPBC.org.