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YMCA GRANT OPENS SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES FOR CARIDAD YOUTH

Boynton Beach, FL (2/28/25) – The YMCA of South Palm Beach County is making summer camp dreams a reality for many children and teens in the community, thanks to a generous \$10,000 grant from the Walter and Adi Blum Foundation. This funding will provide financial support for 65 youth and teens (ages 5-15) from the Caridad Center in Boynton to attend the Y's summer camp at no cost.

"Summer camp is more than just a fun escape from school; it's an opportunity for personal growth, socialization and skill development," states Barry Davis, Executive Director of the DeVos-Blum Family YMCA in Boynton.

For many children, camp serves as a place where they can build friendships, gain confidence, and explore new activities in a safe environment. However, for families facing financial challenges, the cost of summer camp can be a significant barrier.

By covering the costs for Caridad youth, the Y is helping to bridge the gap and provide equitable access to experiences that can shape the future of these young individuals. Camp participation has been linked to improved social skills, leadership development, and enhanced academic performance, making it an invaluable resource for all.

For more information about the YMCA's Summer Camp programs, visit: www.ymcaspbc.org/summercamp

About the YMCA

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 and the YMCA@901 NCCI. For more information, please visit YMCASPBC.org.