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Waushara Community YMCA Project Moves Forward with Groundbreaking!

Wautoma, WI — The vision for a new YMCA in Waushara County is rapidly becoming a reality. With a gap of \$500,000 on a \$15 million goal, the YMCA plans to break ground and celebrate the accomplishments. Continued fundraising will be necessary to ensure the YMCA starts off strong and debt-free, reinvesting in the community instead of paying debt service.

The official groundbreaking ceremony will take place on June 24th at 1:00 pm. All in the community are welcome at 209 S. Saint Marie Street in Wautoma to be a part of this historical event.

This transformational project will serve as a central hub for wellness, education, and community engagement for residents of all ages. The facility will feature a full-size gymnasium, an aquatic center, group fitness studios, elevated walking track, community event spaces, and licensed child care.

With the YMCA's 3 Pillars of Youth Development, Healthy Living, and Social Responsibility, the goal of this new community addition will be to encourage wellness, reduce isolation, and support mental health.

"The prospect of a Y would not only strengthen our area by adding the key services Wautoma lacks, but it would be a tremendous step forward in building a community where people want to grow and thrive in," say Tommy Bohler, City Manager of Wautoma.

According to project timelines, the new Y is projected to open in fall of 2026.

If you're interested in supporting the development of the new Waushara Community YMCA, head to spymca.org/wausharacommunityymca to make a donation or learn more about the campaign.

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About the Stevens Point Area YMCA

The Y is one of the nation's leading nonprofits strengthening communities through youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. Currently serving Portage County, for more than 55 years, the Stevens Point Area YMCA has the long-standing relationships and physical presence not just to promise, but to deliver lasting personal and social change. spymca.org