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### **Waushara Community YMCA Project Moves Forward**

The Waushara Community YMCA is within \$500,000 of completing its fundraising goal to build a new YMCA in Waushara County. We are honored to announce a generous \$250,000 matching gift from the Rick and Julie Diermeier Family. To get us over the finish-line, the Diermeier Family will match every dollar donated up to \$250,000.

The Diermeier family's leadership gift reflects their deep belief in the power of community and their commitment to creating lasting opportunities for health, wellness, and youth development in Waushara County. Every donation made from now until the \$250,000 goal is met will be matched dollar-for-dollar, doubling the impact of each gift.

"We are incredibly grateful to Rick and Julie Diermeier and their family for this transformational investment in our community," said Ryan Zietlow, CEO of the Stevens Point Area YMCA and of the new Waushara Community YMCA. "This matching gift is a call to action — a challenge to everyone who believes in the future of Waushara County to step forward and make a difference. Together, we can build something extraordinary."

This matching opportunity comes at a pivotal time in the campaign, which has already seen strong support from families, businesses, and foundations across the region. With the Diermeier match in place, momentum is building quickly toward the campaign's fundraising goal.

The new Waushara YMCA will serve as a vibrant hub for wellness, youth programs, aquatics, family support, and community connection — a much-needed resource that reflects the unique needs of the area.

All contributions made during the match period will be doubled, thanks to the Diermeier family's gift. Community members are encouraged to make their donations now to help bring this vision to life.

The Friends of Waushara YMCA fund is held at the Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin. Donations can be made online at [www.cfcwi.org](http://www.cfcwi.org)

Checks can be mailed to:

Community Foundation of Central Wisconsin  
2801 Hoover Rd. Unit 1B  
Stevens Point, WI 54481

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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](http://spymca.org)

