

FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT-FOR HEALTHY LIVING FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

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Boise Southwest Rotary Club P.O. Box 8092 Boise, Idaho 83707

Thank you to the Boise Southwest Rotary Club for the continued support of the Treasure Valley Family YMCA's Make a Splash program. Your support ensures the Y can teach valuable swimming, healthy living, and leadership skills to 85 3rd grade students from Whittier Elementary throughout the 2018-19 school year. Many of the students participating in this program would not have access to learning these skills through any other means. According to the faculty at Whittier Elementary, annually 50% of their student population will enroll in school only during the months of October-March. Staff attribute this surge in student population to the growing number of homeless families in our community, who will enroll children in school during the colder winter months.

We are thankful to have the opportunity to teach life-saving skills in the pool and leadership skills on land to <u>all children</u> in the program. Participants from Whittier Elementary spend an afternoon every month at the West Boise YMCA and Boise City Aquatic Center. Students gain swimming skills such as floating techniques and learn when and where it is safe to swim. An added benefit of the program noted by teachers is an improvement in school performance, with higher levels of classroom productivity and reduced behavior incidents on days when visiting the YMCA.

Costs for transportation, supplies, and staff instruction time

Total costs: \$6,500 Rotary Grant Requested: \$6,500

We appreciate the longstanding support of Boise Southwest Rotary Club. Together, we are making a difference in the lives of youth in our community.

Sincerely.

Carrie Magnuson Grants and Sponsorships Coordinator Treasure Valley Family YMCA

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