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Press Release

From: Silver Bay YMCA

Silver Bay YMCA receives Stewarts Holiday Match Grant

Teen Center awarded Stewarts Holiday Match Grant

Silver Bay – Silver Bay YMCA is pleased to announce that Stewart's Holiday Match has awarded a \$1,000 grant to the Silver Bay YMCA Ticonderoga Teen Center.

Stewarts Shops has collected and matched donations in their shops from Thanksgiving until Christmas since 1986. This season, they received 1,807 applications requesting over \$4 million in support while they had just over \$1.7 million to donate. The Stewart's Holiday Match Program has now allocated over \$39 million since the program's inception.

The Silver Bay YMCA Ticonderoga Teen Center is a free drop-in program for 13 through 18-year-olds in the Ticonderoga area. The Teen Center provides area youth with a safe space to connect with their community, engage in opportunities to grow and have the freedom to be their best selves. This grant will help with the Teen Center's operational costs.

Silver Bay YMCA VP of Development and Government Relations Walt Lender said, "The Silver Bay YMCA is dedicated to empowering the youth of our community, and the Ticonderoga Teen Center is at the heart of that mission. We deeply appreciate Stewart's support in recognizing the importance of providing local teens with a safe and inspiring space to learn, grow, and become the leaders of tomorrow."

To learn more about the Silver Bay YMCA Ticonderoga Teen Center follow them on Facebook and Instagram or visit silverbay.org.

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Teen Center Cooking 2025 – Silver Bay YMCA’s Food and Beverage Director Anthony Basile teaches cooking skills at the Teen Center.

About Silver Bay YMCA: Silver Bay YMCA, founded in 1902, is in Silver Bay, NY, just minutes south of Hague. Its 700-acre campus along one mile of Lake George shoreline offers a breadth of programs for all ages. Silver Bay YMCA is consistently ranked one of the top ten family reunion sites in the country and is on the National Register of Historic Places with the U.S. Department of the Interior. As a mission-based charity, Silver Bay YMCA offers outreach programs in addition to its core activities as a premier conference and family retreat center. Learn more about Silver Bay at www.silverbay.org.

Our MISSION: To cultivate relationships, strengthen communities and nurture spirit, mind and body for all.

Our IMPACT: Because of Silver Bay YMCA, connections between people and family are stronger. People are more connected, respectful and caring. They have the confidence to develop to their full potential and to positively impact the communities in which they work and live. As a result, communities are more dynamic, comprehensive and varied. As stewards of Lake George, we

inspire people to be stewards of the environment while they are visiting our magnificent campus and in their home communities.