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Press Release

From: Silver Bay YMCA Conference and Family Retreat Center

**Silver Bay YMCA Ticonderoga Teen Center receives Sylvamo grant
Sylvamo awards \$8,000 grant to Ticonderoga Teen Center**

Silver Bay YMCA is pleased to announce that the Silver Bay YMCA Ticonderoga Teen Center has been awarded a grant of \$8,000 from Sylvamo.

The Silver Bay YMCA Ticonderoga Teen Center is a free drop-in program for Ticonderoga Teens in grades 6th through 12th. The Teen Center is open during the school year and provides a safe space where teens can hang out after school, receive homework help, learn life skills such as cooking, or participate in one of the many structured activities that happens at the Teen Center.

“The team at Sylvamo’s Ticonderoga Mill is proud to support the Teen Center in Ticonderoga. The center is an important community outreach of Silver Bay YMCA and provides a safe, nurturing place for the youth in our community to gather. We sincerely appreciate Silver Bay’s commitment and their dedicated staff for making this a great place for kids,” said Lindsay Mydlarz, the communications manager for the Ticonderoga Mill.

Walt Lender, Silver Bay YMCA’s VP of Development & Government Relations added, “We know we have a great partner with Sylvamo's Ticonderoga Mill. Their support for our Teen Center is critical to our ability to expand the services we are providing to our area teens. Youth Development in the North

Country plays a key role in supporting a healthy community and developing a thriving economy.”

The funding provided by Sylvamo will help cover the costs and expenses associated with running the Teen Center.

“We are so thankful for the generous support of Sylvamo. They are a great community partner, and we are honored to be included in their support of programs that have a positive impact on the lives of Ticonderoga residents. This grant allows us to continue to expand our services to the youth of Ticonderoga, helping them lead productive and fulfilling lives,” concluded Silver Bay YMCA CEO Peter Doliber.

For more information about the Silver Bay YMCA Ticonderoga Teen Center visit silverbay.org or follow them on Facebook.

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Teen Center Dinner – The Silver Bay YMCA Ticonderoga Teen Center staff and participants enjoy a Teen Center Dinner that Silver Bay Executive Chef Anthony Basile helped them prepare.

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 foster 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, inclusive and diverse. 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.