



# CHILD CARE NETWORK

## YMCA of Greater Michiana

YMCA of Greater Michiana is committed to supporting the community by taking care of our children through the **YMCA Child Care Network**.

Our vision is to utilize collaborations, partnerships, assets, and energy between the YMCA of Greater Michiana and area organizations, municipalities, and employers.

This collaborative Child Care Network will meet the complex social, economic, and educational needs of our communities through advocating and creating a sustainable **infant/toddler** child care model through innovative funding mechanisms.

Our network offers research-based, educational programming while providing our working families an opportunity to access quality and affordable child care.

**Our network of care offers many additional school-aged options**

- Before School
- After School
- Emergency Closing
- Summer Care
- Preschool
- On-site Childwatch



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A location at **Northside Child Development Center** will become part of the Y's Child Care Network.



**CAPITAL GOAL:  
\$80,000**

## The Need in Niles

**22%** of families fall under federal poverty line

**25%** of families are ALICE or Asset Limited Income Constrained Employees  
Michigan Association of United Ways

**1** center-based care provider in 49120 zip code  
Great Start to Quality

## How We Can Help

**44** infants and toddlers served in our center

**10%** or less of family income spent annually on care  
Child Care Aware of America

**47%** of children will receive financial scholarships

## Naming Opportunities

Room 1	\$20,000
Room 2	\$20,000
Room 3	\$20,000

## Program Needs

- 3 Child Care Rooms Outfitted
- Infant/Toddler Playground
- Equipment & Furniture
- Curriculum Materials & Training

## Our Funding Mechanism

Annual funding raised through area organizations, municipalities, & employers

**\$150,000**

raised annually to provide scholarships

Scholarships provided based on income & children  
Parents pay no more than 10% of income