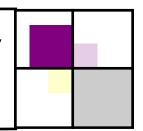


# **CYO of Mercer County 2012** Annual Report



## **Catholic Youth Organization of Mercer County**

Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) of Mercer County is an independently incorporated, 501(c) (3), community organization, whose mission is to enhance the lives of Greater Mercer County youth and their families, by providing affordable, quality educational and recreational services, which include pre-schools, before and after school programs, summer camps, swim lessons, and youth athletic leagues. Rooted in Catholic Tradition, CYO provides services in an inclusive, non-discriminatory manner, respecting the culture and faith of all. Initiated in 1952 primarily to provide recreational activities for Catholic youth, CYO was formally incorporated in 1961, and has evolved into a full service childcare, youth development program provider, and social service agency.







Yardville Branch 453 Yardville-Allentown Rd.



320 Hollowbrook Dr.



Ewing CYO @ Hollowbrook CYO East State St. Center 794 East State St.

Before and After School Programs located at 4 Hamilton Twp. Schools:

Klockner, Greenwood, Wilson and Lalor

The CYO has 60 + years experience in childcare and youth programs and serves nearly 700 children daily during the school year and over 1,000 daily during the summer! The CYO also serves approximately 1,200 children (ages 8-14), from Catholic schools and parishes, in seasonal athletic leagues.

The CYO is led by a dynamic volunteer Board of Trustees that includes professional and community members with experience in diverse areas. The CYO currently has 41 full-time, 82 part-time and 100+ seasonal employees. Volunteers play vital roles at CYO, from sports coaches to students acting as aides in our childcare programs, to employee groups who maintain and beautify our facilities and grounds.

### 2012 CYO Highlights

- The Martin House Foundation Board asked the CYO to take over the Martin House Learning Center on East State Street. A smooth transition was made in late August. Through the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, the Diocese of Trenton awarded the CYO a \$10,000 grant to assist the re-start of these critically needed programs in a very challenged part of the City.
- The CYO celebrated its 60th Anniversary this year. Our agency was founded in 1952 by Msgr. Leonard Toomey. In honor of this milestone for the organization and the CYO Basketball League, an Opening Day Mass was celebrated in November by Rev. Stanley Krzyston, Pastor of St. Vincent de Paul Church and CYO Board member
- The State of New Jersey revamped their system of subsidized child care switching to ECC (Electronic Child Care). This new system resulted in a large loss of funding for the CYO (as compared to the former Centerbased contract which was in place for 35 years). This change in requirements also deemed many CYO families ineligible for subsidized care. The CYO responded by offering our own CYO "in-house subsidies" to about 25 families with a total value of nearly \$20,000.
- The CYO signed a new 5 year lease with an option to renew for 3 years with Ewing Township to operate at the Hollowbrook Community Center (as the CYO has done since 2008). Ewing Township also continues to maintain a Public Donor Agreement which helps support the subsidized child care for lower income Ewing Twp. families. With additional space on the second floor of Hollowbrook, the CYO added 25 children to the Ewing Camp this Summer.
- The 5th CYO Basketball Hall of Fame awards banquet was a smashing success! This event, held in November at the Nottingham Ballroom, attracted over 200 guests The 18 new inductees bring the total Hall of Fame group up to 105 members!
- The Hamilton Township Zoning Board granted permission to the CYO to construct a 4,600 square foot addition to the main building on our Yardville property. This "Monsignor Toomey Annex" will allow the CYO to better serve the needs of this growing program site providing much needed indoor space. The CYO has launched a capital campaign to raise funds for this project with a total cost of approximately \$900,000.
- The CYO hosted the 5th year of the Diocesan Grammar School Basketball Tournament. This event brings together the championship teams from all four counties of the Diocese in a season ending tournament each March. This year also marked the first time the CYO hosted a boys' freshmen high school Christmas tournament with Notre Dame beating St. Joseph's of Metuchen in a thrilling championship game!

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