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## Our Legacy in Kankakee County





### **Our Beginnings**

- -Born from a community-led effort seeking positive gather space.
- -Guided be state YMCA advisor, started with 200 members to support facility offering gym, reading room and more.
- -Officially opened doors on 3rd floor of Swannell Building.

### **Today's Community**

2025

- -Dynamic. Diverse. Evolving.
- -Strong demand for youth development, health access and inclusive gathering spaces.
  - Community ready for the next chapter.

#### **Our Aspirations**

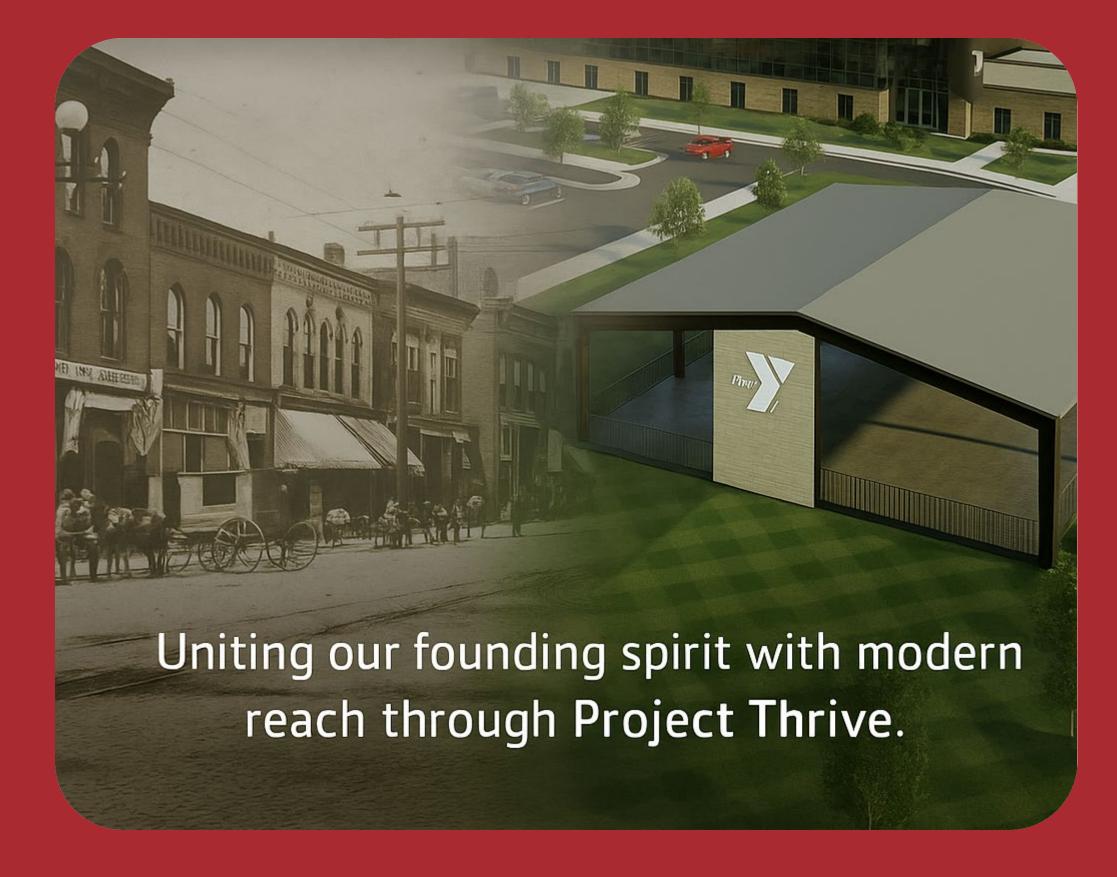
- -Fully integrated wellness and innovation campus where every child and family has access to holistic health and community connection.
  - -The Ywill continue transforming lives, one relationship, one resource, one life at a time.



### 130 Years Forward

## Building the Future

Starting Now



The Y is more than a gym. It's more than a swim. It's where community happens.





## A Glimpse Into the Future

**Project Thrive** 



Amulti-phase capital vision to ensure the Y continues to be a resilient anchor for generations to come.

Not just about buildings, about belonging.

What we build today ensures we're here for the next 130 years.



### We Want to Hear From You



# Please share your Feedback!

- Mutually Beneficial Partnerships
- Access For All
- Sustainable Growth
- Program Excellence
- Equity & Innovation



# Let's Build the Future Together

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