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TO:

Town of Damariscotta

21 School Street

Damariscotta, ME 04543

FROM:

Central Lincoln County YMCA

525 Main Street

Damariscotta, ME 04543

RE:

Funding Request

CENTRAL LINCOLN COUNTY YMCA FUNDING REQUEST PROPOSAL

Central Lincoln County YMCA is requesting \$15,000 in 2025 town funding to support Damariscotta residents who need assistance with mission-based programs like child care, afterschool programming, and membership scholarships.

How many Damariscotta residents received services last year?

Residents of Damariscotta account for 20% of the Y's members, 21% of the Y's childcare enrollment, 29% of afterschool program students, and 12% of individuals served this year through the Y's Community Navigation Program.

Which services or support will be provided to Damariscotta residents if the requisition appropriation is approved.

The Y offers mission-driven services that are made possible through fundraising efforts and community support. Child care and membership rates are structured to ensure accessibility for all residents, either at the standard rate or through

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scholarships that provide financial assistance. As a result, the Y often operates at a financial loss to sustain these programs, relying on the ongoing support of the community to remain viable.

Please explain why your program does not provide similar or duplicative services to Damariscotta residents from other agencies or programs.

The CLC YMCA serves as the central hub and community center for the ten towns it serves, offering unique services that set it apart. While there are other child care providers in the region, the Y plays a vital role, serving approximately 100 families and making a significant impact on the local economy. The Community Navigation program was created to address an unmet need in the area, with the Y stepping up to connect people to services on a broader scale. As a valued partner in the community, the Y focuses on supporting and enhancing the efforts of other organizations rather than duplicating existing services.

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To the Municipal Officers of the Town of Damariscotta, Maine:

We, the undersigned, being registered voters of the Town of Damariscotta, request the municipal officers to place the following article before the voters for their consideration at the Annual Town Meeting. This petition request is for the YMCA and the request is for the 2026 fiscal year. ARTICLE: To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate the sum of \$15,000 for the following agency: Central Lincoln County YMCA

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