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New Chair Lift Makes YMCA Pool Accessible to All

Northbrook, IL: March 2017 – The North Suburban YMCA has unveiled a new portable chair lift for its swimming pool, making it possible for persons with physical challenges to enter the pool safely and comfortably. Funded in part with a generous grant from the Northbrook Civic Foundation, the new lift supports the Y’s mission to promote water fitness and safety for everyone.

“The NSYMCA believes that our aquatics and other programming should be available to all,” noted Howard Schultz, NSYMCA President/CEO. “The addition of this new mobile lift help us to further develop our Y as a space where anyone can take part in life-changing programs.”

The investment in a new lift reflects the Y’s commitment to serving seniors and individuals with special needs. The Y offers individual swim lessons, low-impact water fitness classes, a Special Olympics swim team, and a variety of other opportunities for people with challenges to use the pool.

The new lift provides a safe, smooth-operating, and mobile means of helping individuals enter and exit the pool. The Civic gift of \$3500 was a significant step in funding the equipment’s total cost of \$8,500.

“The new chair lift is making a real difference to many individuals who use our pool,” commented Don Enger, NSYMCA Aquatics Director. “It provides a smooth, gentle transition into the water that makes our clients feel very secure and confident. We know that this will encourage many more people to take advantage of our pool and aquatics programs.”

The North Suburban YMCA is located at 2705 Techny Road in Northbrook. To learn more about swim lessons and other programs at the Y, visit NSYMCA.org or call 847 272 7250.

About the [North Suburban YMCA](#)

The North Suburban YMCA serves 15 northern suburbs of Chicago, and for over 48 years has provided programs and services that address youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility every day. Working together for good is who we are: An association of people united in a common effort to help individuals become healthier, more connected, and confident. There is no other nonprofit quite like the Y: We have the national and local presence and partnerships to not just promise, but deliver, positive change, making sure that everyone, regardless of age, income or background has the opportunity to learn, grow and thrive. For more information, visit [NSYMCA.org](#)



Photo Caption 1: NSYMCA Swim Instructor Tom March assists a client using the Y's new pool chair lift.



Photo 2 Caption: The North Suburban Y's new chair lift provides a comfortable and safe way for individuals with physical limitations to enter and exit the pool.