



## *Bonnie's Story*

*Bonnie, a single mother with two sons, had her hours at work cut in half last summer. Her biggest worry about her loss of income was that she wouldn't be able to afford sending her boys to YMCA Camp. She wanted to send them to camp because she felt that their neighborhood was beginning to change and did not want her sons to be influenced by some of the negative activities she was starting to witness.*

*Bonnie was relieved when she found out that her sons were awarded camperships so that they could attend YMCA Camp. Bonnie credits the camperships with keeping her sons safe and out of trouble last summer. She was also delighted to find that her sons had learned positive values and a variety of valuable life skills at YMCA Camp.*

*In a letter to the YMCA, Bonnie indicated that she was always grateful for the YMCA, but now was even more grateful that there were generous donors who made it possible for the YMCA to extend camperships to kids like her sons who needed YMCA Camp to stay safe and have a great summer*