

BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE

Greater Kingsport Family YMCA Early Learning Center

Offering quality and affordable childcare for ages 6 weeks to pre-K that ensures children are ready for school, have a chance to beat the odds of drop out and violence and can thrive in overcoming adverse childhood experiences that will stunt a healthy future.

June 2026



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AFFECTS ON CHILDREN

The YMCA Early Learning Center will directly mitigate the effects on at-risk children and those exposed to adverse childhood effects (ACEs) in our region.

WITHOUT A HIGH-QUALITY EARLY EDUCATION, AT-RISK CHILDREN ARE

25% MORE LIKELY TO DROP OUT
OF SCHOOL

40% MORE LIKELY TO BECOME
A TEEN PARENT

50% MORE LIKELY TO BE PLACED
IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

60% MORE LIKELY TO NEVER ATTEND
COLLEGE

70% MORE LIKELY TO BE ARRESTED
FOR A VIOLENT CRIME

**HIGH-QUALITY PRESCHOOL AVAILABLE TO
EVERY CHILD.**

- ACEs are any number of traumatic experiences that can have a tremendous impact on future victimization and prevent healthy living.
- One in five regional respondents identify ACEs as the most important social and environmental issue that affects the over all health of the community. Our region is experiencing higher occurrences of ACEs than the same data for the entire state (Sullivan 7%, Hawkins 6%, State of TN 5%)



Sources: 2021 Ballad Regional Health Community Assessment and TQEE Tennesseans for Quality Early Education

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AFFECTS ON COMMUNITY

The adverse economic impact of inadequate childcare on Tennessee parents and businesses reveals consequences totaling over \$1B annually.

- More than 12K households in Tri-Cities have unmet childcare needs
- 2/3 of parents report affordability as a significant challenge
- 3x the children than licensed providers available slots
- 11% decrease in childcare providers

LACK OF CHILDCARE AFFECTS ON THE COMMUNITY**

32% of parents turned down a new job offer or promotion.



28% of parents had their pay/ hours reduced, or changed to part-time.



26% of parents had to quit their jobs, were fired or demoted.

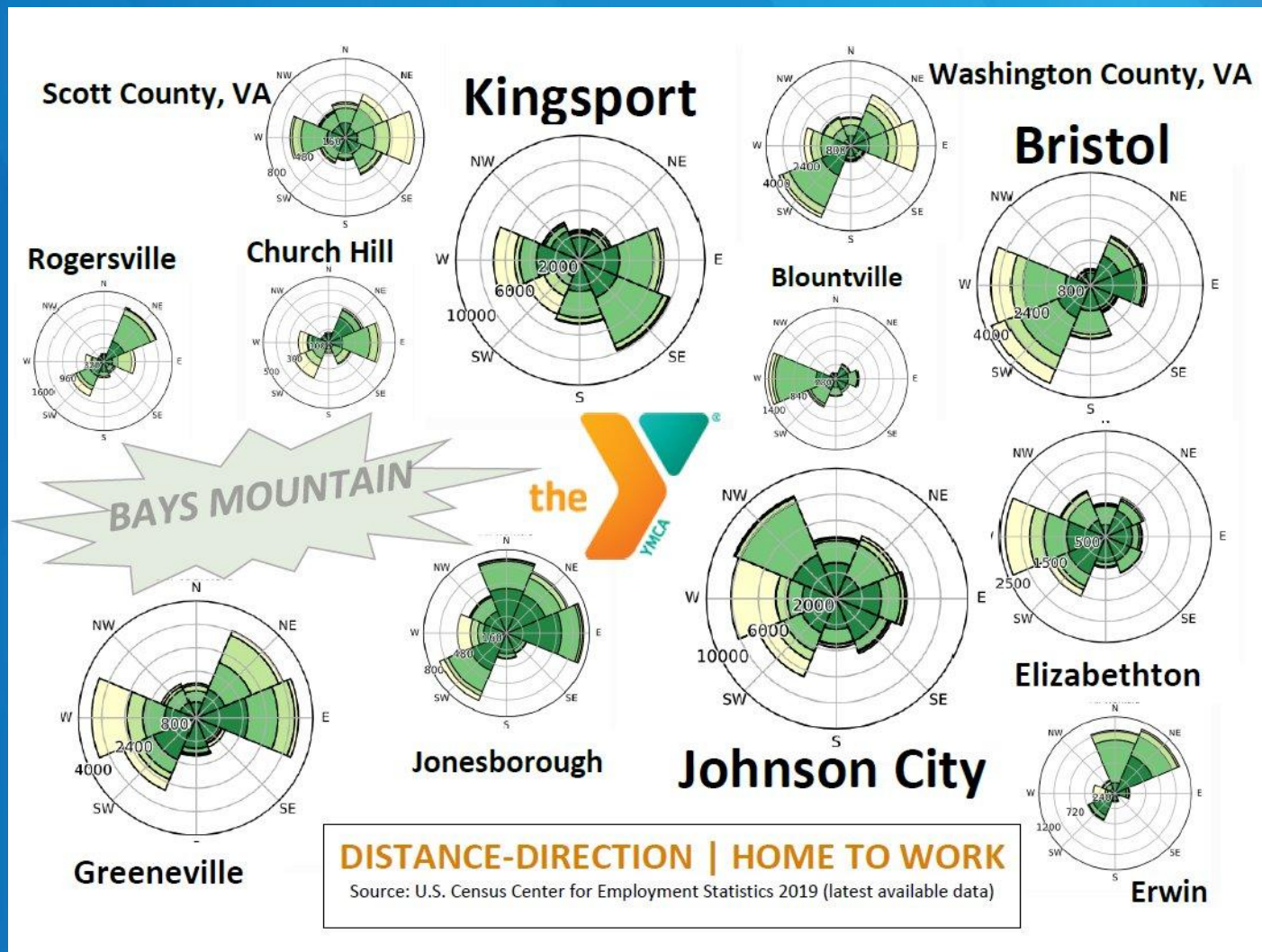


19% of parents left the workforce.



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REGIONAL REACH/IMPACT



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Greater Kingsport Family YMCA Early Learning Center & Facility Expansion

Daycare and Pre-K

- 10 Licensed Classrooms for 145 Children ages 6 weeks through pre-K
- Relocated/expanded commercial kitchen to feed kids in attendance breakfast/lunch and snacks daily

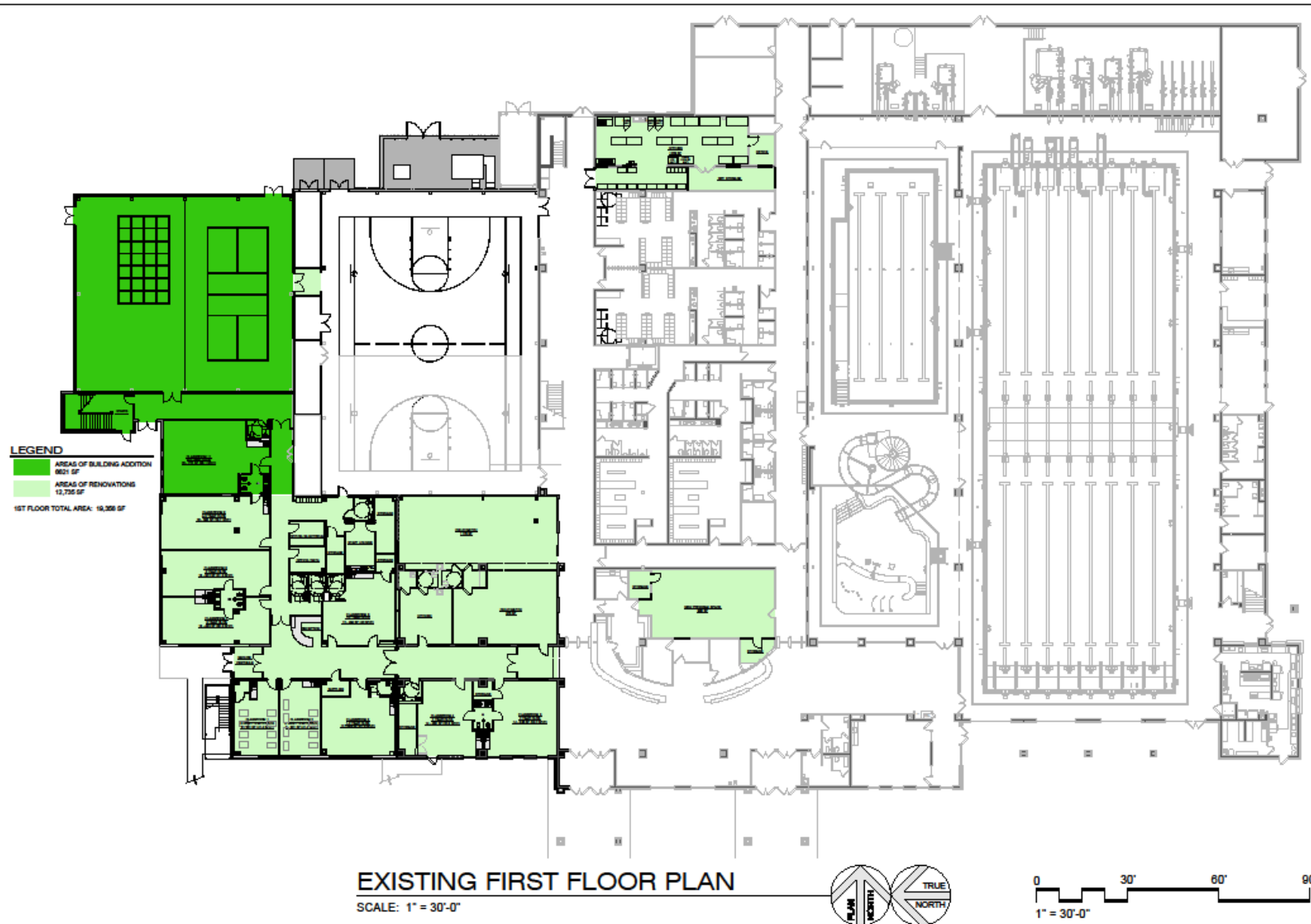
Multi-purpose Mini Gymnasium

- Space to host 100 Afterschool kids on days when school is out
- Physical Education space for Early Learning Center
- Youth/adult/senior program space



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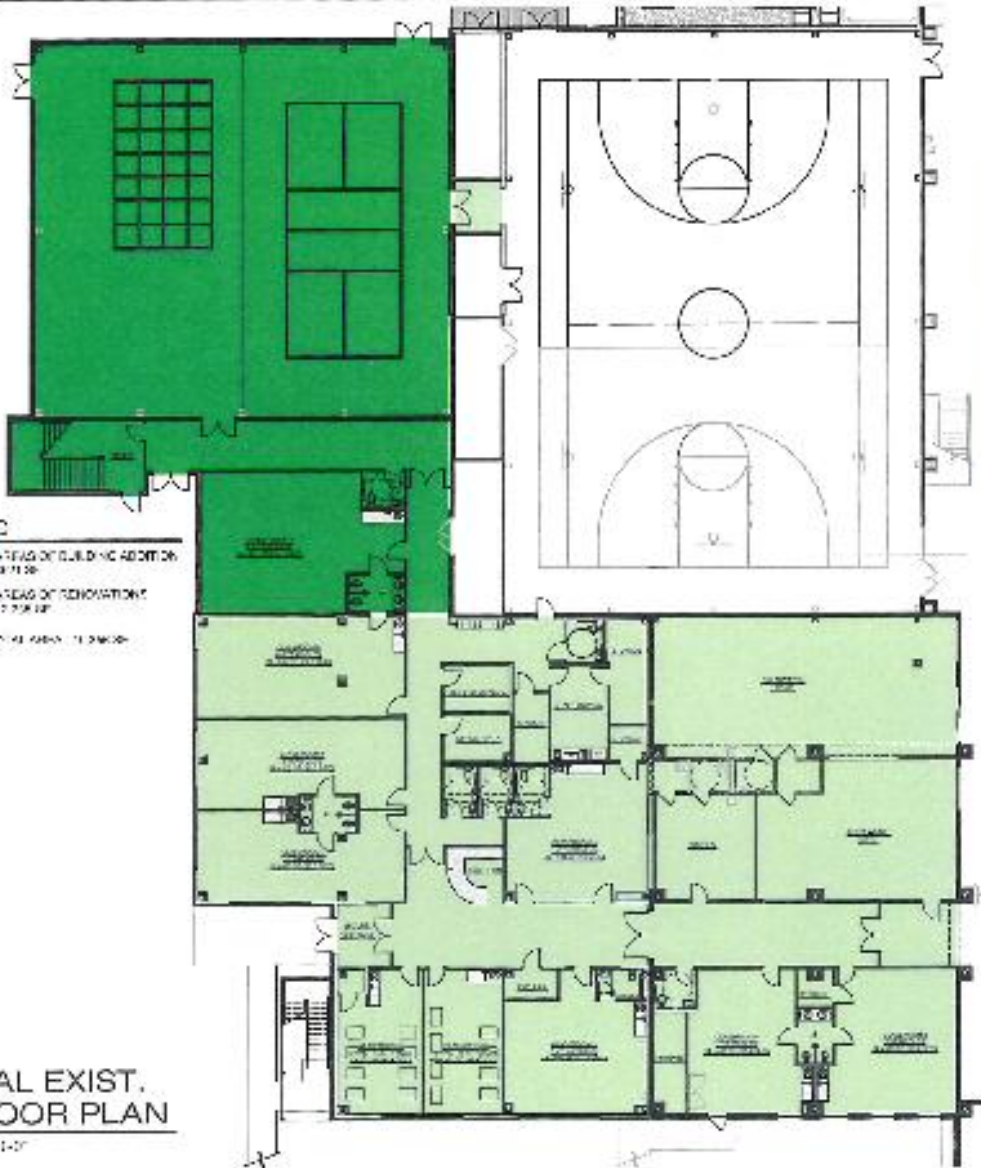
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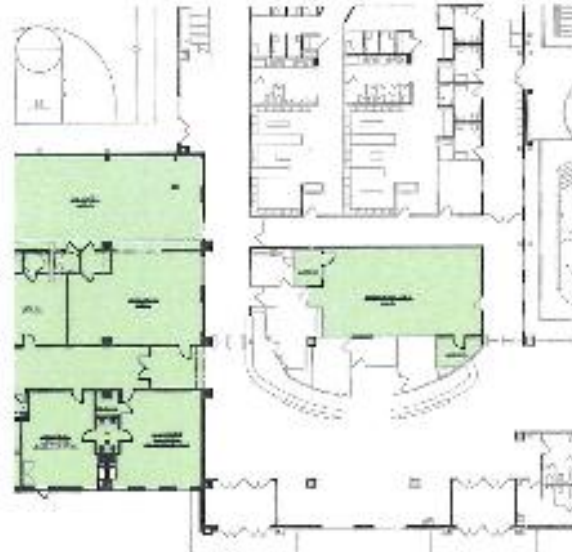
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**PARTIAL EXIST. 1ST FLOOR PLAN
NEW PROGRAM SPACE**

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**PARTIAL EXIST. 1ST FLOOR PLAN
KITCHEN**

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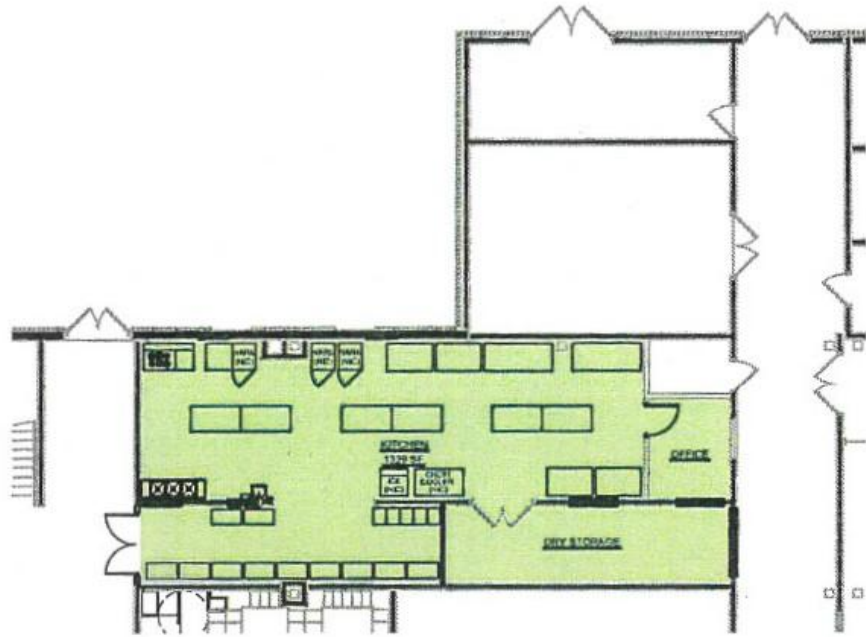


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YMCA Feeding Program Expansion



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Provides 5 Component Meals to 5 County Region:
Sullivan, Hawkins, Washington, Greene & Unicoi

Provided over 225,000 meals in 2025

Will provide over 250,000 meals in 2026



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PROJECT SUMMARY

Budget: \$6.1 Million

- Renovated Space: 7,500 sq/ft
- Facility Expansion: 6,500 sq/ft
- Early Learning Center
- Mini Gymnasium
- Relocated/Expanded Commercial Kitchen
- Multipurpose Room
- Relocated Child Watch/Adventure Kids

Community Support

- Appalachian Regional Commission
- Domtar
- CSX
- Eastman Foundation
- Eastman Credit Union
- Housing & Urban Development
- Truist
- Wilson Worley
- Tennessee DHS
- Care Foundation
- State of Tennessee



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PROJECTED TIMELINE

- Completed Environmental Review: June/July 2026
- Groundbreaking/Begin Construction: Early Fall 2026
- Accepting Enrollment: Spring 2027
- Open: Fall 2027



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THANK YOU...

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