

# TEACHING SKILLS THAT SAVE LIVES

**2** KIDS DIE EVERY DAY FROM DROWNING<sup>1</sup>

DROWNING IS THE 2ND-LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH FOR KIDS AGES 5-14<sup>2</sup>

IN SAFETY AROUND WATER PROGRAM PILOTS, IMPROVEMENT WAS SEEN IN EVERY SKILL TESTED<sup>5</sup>

**88%** OF KIDS WHO DROWN DO SO UNDER ADULT SUPERVISION<sup>3</sup>



MORE THAN **1** MILLION KIDS TAKE SWIM LESSONS AT THE Y EVERY YEAR



**60%** OF KIDS WHO DROWN ARE WITHIN 10 FEET OF SAFETY<sup>4</sup>



DROWNING IS PREVENTABLE

THE Y ENGAGES **9** MILLION KIDS EACH YEAR

THE Y IS IN **10,000** NEIGHBORHOODS



Register for Swim Lessons at the Y:  
[gwrymca.org/programs](http://gwrymca.org/programs)

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 5 Contact [aquatics@ymca.net](mailto:aquatics@ymca.net) for more detailed information on pilot results.