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Family YMCA of the Desert: May 6, 2025 | City of Palm Desert Committee Report

FROM: Paula Simonds, CEO

Jean Benson Child Development Center:

Current enrollment: 52

Waitlist:

Toddlers (Ages 2 yrs-3 yrs) 18

Preschool (Ages 3 yrs-4yrs) 5

2025-2026 Enrollment open

Preschool Graduation: Please email Paula Simonds at paulasimonds@desertymca.org if you'd like to attend. Palm Desert City Council members have been extended invitation as well.

Date: Friday June 6th **Time:** 1:00pm **Location:** San Pablo Y Gymnasium
43930 San Pablo Avenue

Licensed School Age Childcare: Carter Elementary School

Current enrollment: 59

2025-2026 Summer and School Year Enrollment open

Y-USA Child Abuse Prevention Month:

Five Days of Action®

April 21-25, 2025

Five Days of Action is a week-long campaign designed to raise awareness and inspire adults to take action to protect children from sexual abuse. See below for resources and how you can get involved.

At the Y, child protection is our number one priority year-round. During April—Child Abuse Prevention Month—we participated in a week-long campaign called Five Days of Action to increase awareness of child sexual abuse and empower and equip our communities to prevent it. By taking part in this important campaign and through implementing abuse prevention practices year-round, we can all commit to the safety of all children in our care.

State Y Alliance Information:

David Keyes, Palm Desert Aquatic Center Manager, has been recognized as a key contributor for **Water Safety Month in May**, the California State Alliance of YMCAs has created an optional California-specific campaign on water safety.

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