Pocono Record: Pocono YMCA to receive $1 million for upgrades, Wild announces

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STROUDSBURG - The Pocono Family YMCA in Stroudsburg will receive $1 million in federal funds for expansion and renovation following a successful funding request by U.S. Rep. Susan Wild (D-7).
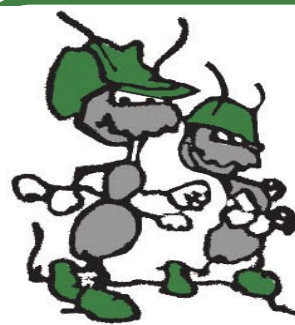
The YMCA will use the funding for "a community gathering space, aquatic center improvements, a modern wellness center, inclusive locker rooms and family changing areas, expanded parking lot, and expanded childcare service," according to Wild's office.

Earlier this month, Wild visited the YMCA to promote the child tax credit in the American Rescue Plan.

"They've got a lot of space, it just needs updating," Wild told the Pocono Record after touring the YMCA.

"It is my honor to fight for our district in Congress, and I am proud to have secured this much-needed funding for the Pocono Family YMCA, including upgrades to their child care center so they can continue to provide high-quality child care services to families across Monroe County and the Poconos," Wild said in a news release announcing the funding. "I will continue to fight for our district to ensure that we get the federal funding we need to make our community stronger."

"Our facilities provide essential services to countless families across the region, particularly during the challenges of the last year, through the pandemic and subsequent economic downturn," said YMCA CEO Scott Peckins. "I want to thank Rep. Wild for her tireless leadership in fighting for this funding and for the families the Pocono Family YMCA serves."