



Dear YMCA Friends,

During this holiday season, it is important to take time to reflect on this past year – not only on the difficult and sometimes overwhelming obstacles we have all faced, but also on the blessings and support that give us strength. At the YMCA, we are incredibly grateful for the perseverance, dedication and support our members and communities have demonstrated during this difficult time.

As part of our mission, this year we have pivoted our operations and responded to emerging community needs when identified. We have provided child care and school age virtual learning opportunities for families who needed to go back to work. We partnered with the American Red Cross to host multiple blood drives to help with the blood shortages. We distributed over 1,100 winter coats to children. We have collected over 3 busloads of food to help fill the local food banks and we have hosted weekly food give-a-ways which have provided over 100,000 pounds of fresh food to families in need. Over 100 members contributed gift cards for our Giving Trees which support the Community Action Agency of Delaware County.

Now, as we think forward to 2021, the future is still uncertain. Like you, we are hopeful that there is a light shining at the end of the tunnel, but there is still a long way to go. The coming year will bring new challenges for everyone.

We are grateful to be able to provide for our communities and we are grateful for your support of those efforts. We have been humbled to serve our community through these times that continue to test us all in very profound ways. We want to remind you that the Y is more than just a gym, a pool or a place to play basketball. In the coming year we will continue to expand our support of our communities in whatever way is needed – you can count on the Y to be there.

We are eternally grateful for the dedication of our board and staff for all they do to help our members and the community. They have gone above and beyond to ensure the Y is doing what it should and following our mission of service.

May the new year bring all of us renewed strength as we move forward together. Please have a happy and safe holiday season.

Sincerely,

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Chair, Board of Directors

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