Dear Friends,

We are so proud to present to you the Gateway Region YMCA 2019 Annual Report that highlights an outstanding year in helping address increasing needs in our community.

Our Y was founded in 1853 as a place to bring people together, provide a haven for those needing assistance and to help serve the needs of the community. In 2019, we built on that legacy by serving more than 325,000 members and program participants. Importantly, we provided more than $6.29 million in financial assistance for children, adults and families who otherwise could not afford our services. This includes assistance for swim lessons for children who would not otherwise learn to swim, family memberships so they can get and stay healthy together, and enrollment for children in licensed preschool or school-aged care where they can receive the opportunities they need to succeed.

With our Metro Board of Directors, we updated our three-year Strategic Plan that guides our decision-making and future. Our goals are big, and layout our three primary strategies to achieve success – commitment to culture, organizational excellence and social responsibility. As part of that plan, we continued to implement our comprehensive capital campaign with the Bayer YMCA groundbreaking, a $2.5 million investment that represents the first of many upcoming capital renovations throughout our association.

We are proud to share with you a snapshot of the Gateway Region YMCA over the past year and our efforts to strengthen your community. Whether you are a donor, volunteer, staff member, corporate partner, program participant, Y member, civic leader or friend, you are crucial to our success and we appreciate your commitment, participation and support.

Tim Helm
President & CEO

Brad Koeneman
Metro Board Chair

Mission:
To put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

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BUDGET AND SCOPE

Total Revenue and Public Support
$77,700,000

Total Expenses
$72,000,000

Revenue
Operating revenue $71.1M
Total end of year net assets $128.2M

Public Support
United Way $1.7M
Grants $1.7M
Contributions $5.2M*

*Includes $2M of restricted contributions to be recognized at a later date.

Expenses
Program $63.4M
Fundraising $1.9M
Administrative $6.7M

3rd Largest United Way Recipient
Source: St. Louis Business Journal list of largest United Way of Greater St. Louis allocations

$6.29M in Financial Assistance
Given to those in need to participate in Y programs and services

$509,000+ Allocated to 1,157 individuals through our Inclusion Services Program.

5,000+ Employees (Full-time & part-time)

4,900 Volunteers
Gave 100,000 volunteer hours to strengthen their community

325,000+ Lives Impacted
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The Y is working to nurture the potential of every child and teen by cultivating the values, skills, and relationships that lead to positive behaviors, better health, and educational achievement.

Youth sports participants earn up to 40% higher test scores

15,081 Youth sports participants gained confidence and learned new skills

14,737 Participants in youth swim lessons, an essential life skill

Swim lessons can reduce the risk of drowning by 88% among children ages 1-4

8,972 Summer day camp participants gained confidence/learned skills

2,380 Overnight camp participants made lasting memories

child care

587 Early Childhood Education children

4,672 Y Club youth

113 Child care sites

30 School district partnerships

chronic disease

The Y is committed to ensuring healthy living across the region through evidence-based programs that support those who’ve been diagnosed or are at risk for chronic diseases such as cancer, diabetes, Parkinson’s, high blood pressure, and obesity:

YMCA Diabetes Prevention Program

LIVESTRONG at the YMCA

Y Integrated Fitness Program

The Y works improve the health and wellbeing in our community by providing support, guidance and resources aimed at improving the spirit, mind and body of the whole individual.

1 in 3 adults in the United States are prediabetic.

Prediabetic individuals that take part in CDC-recognized lifestyle change programs decrease their risk of developing type 2 diabetes by 58%
SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Y gives back and responds to society’s most pressing needs by developing innovative, community-based solutions and inspiring a spirit of service by uniting individuals from all walks of life to participate in and work for positive social change.

750 YOUTH AND GOVERNMENT PARTICIPANTS
Provides students the opportunity to experience the democratic process and develop into citizens of a participatory society.

319 Y LITERACY PARTICIPANTS
Providing youth and adults in need with tutoring and education opportunities so everyone can reach their full potential and succeed.

addressing food insecurity

1 in 6
Individuals lives in poverty and struggles with hunger in the St. Louis region

1,4502 Children educated about Healthy Eating and Physical Activity

COMMUNITY GARDENS
Pounds of food produced by 1 of our 9 community gardens in a year

3,900

HEALTHY EATING & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY (HEPA)
Children educated about Healthy Eating and Physical Activity

14,502

FOOD ACCESS
Meals served to individuals in Y programs across the region

82,671 MEALS
98,730 SNACKS

THANKSGIVING FOOD OUTREACH
Meals provided through food drives and dinners in partnership with community organizations

940+

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GATEWAY REGION YMCA

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In 2019, the Gateway Region YMCA continued to implement the early phase of our major, multi-year comprehensive campaign with the goal of helping ensure all youth and families in our region have the resources needed to succeed.

A groundbreaking and dedication ceremony held in St. Louis signaled the start of $2.5 million in renovations for the newly renamed Bayer YMCA.

When completed, the Bayer YMCA, located in the North St. Louis area of the city, will include an expanded Early Childhood Education Center, expanded health and wellness services, the addition of a new STEM & Teen Technology Center and community kitchen.

The Bayer YMCA announcement is the first of four significant Phase 1 announcements planned over a 12 month period by the Gateway Region YMCA as part of our Comprehensive Capital Campaign.

We are able to invest in the future while providing support today for program innovation and scholarships through donations to our endowment.

Thanks to generous support from the community, our Annual Campaign provides financial assistance and subsidies to ensure all who wish to participate can regardless of their financial situation.

OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL

comprehensive campaign

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT

PLANNED GIVING

ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

bridging the opportunity gap • connecting communities • cultivating health equity