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Dear YMCA Members:

The YMCA and JCC of Greater Toledo is dedicated to providing programs and services that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all. Each year, our Y serves more than 300,000 youth, adults and families in Toledo area communities.

Last year, the Y was approached by developers about relocating the Summit Y from Summit and Bush Streets to a facility in the downtown Toledo business district. After significant due diligence by the Y's Board of Trustees and the Summit Y Relocation Task Force, the Y's board voted to relocate the Y to Water Street Station (formerly known as the steam plant). Construction is expected to be finished in mid to late 2013. The new location, with full view of the Maumee River and International Park, will allow the Y to better address the needs of the people who work and live in the downtown area.

The new Y will serve as the hub for a variety of community-based programs and initiatives. It will connect local businesses to an organization that will help keep their employees healthy, and it will give people living in the downtown and urban neighborhoods a place to gather and recreate. The new Y will be located on a bus route, which will make it accessible for all.

Through collaboration with the University of Toledo and the University of Toledo Medical Center, UTMC will operate a Family Physicians Primary Care Clinic within the new Y. The clinic will offer wellness classes led by UTMC physicians, nutritionists and therapists; a fully functional laboratory; and one-on-one clinical care with a UTMC physician.

While exploring this opportunity, the Y has had significant dialogue with the City of Toledo and Lucas County leadership. This partnership between the YMCA of Greater Toledo, the support of a developer, and the business district is a clear example of our community working together to enhance the city and the downtown business district.

The developer for the new downtown Y has committed to a seamless transition for Summit Y members. There will be no interruption of services, and the current facility will remain open until the new downtown facility is ready. Specific decisions about how the Y can deliver services in the downtown area will be developed with key stakeholders in the coming weeks and months.

Reaching out to the urban core of Toledo is very important to the Y. While we cannot predict future funding for existing and new programs, the Y is committed to continuing and building upon the programs and services currently provided in North Toledo such as the Youth Opportunities Program, the Fun Bus and the recently awarded Leverette "Schools as Community Hubs" in partnership with Toledo Public Schools and United Way.

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At the new location, the Y will be more accessible to three low-income apartment complexes, Riverfront Apartments (161 residents), Vistula Manor Apartments (160 unit senior complex) and Port Lawrence Homes (151 unit family complex). Through funds raised by the Y's Annual Campaign, residents at these complexes will be provided free or reduced memberships. In 2012, the Y raised more than \$2.1 million of which \$700,000 will be targeted toward the needs of children and families in urban communities.

Finally, for the last 12 years the Summit Y, in its current location, has endured financial challenges primarily due to the inefficiencies of the building, (designed originally as a medical facility), loss of rental income, and a significant reduction of state and local funding for programs. The relocation of the Summit Y to the heart of downtown, will allow the center to be more financially viable and able to continue serving the people with the greatest need in our community.

Sincerely,



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Chairman of the Board of Trustees