

Dear New Hope Y Community Member,

Every year, as we close out spring and welcome the excitement of summer, we take a step back to reflect and pen a letter to our amazing community of donors here at the **YMCA** in **New Hope**. This allows us to share an update on the accomplishments we have witnessed and all that we have planned for the second half of the year.

As one of our partners, making sure you know the latest and greatest is a high priority because you help bring these shining points to life!

First, though, we want to emphasize how thankful we are for your kind welcome over the last few months. Stepping into these new leadership roles has been a truly inspiring journey, and we are humbled to carry out this work alongside valued members like you.

Now, let's dig into the details! We are thrilled to share that:

- We've made over 5,000 phone calls to our **ForeverWell members** to check in and provide support. On a programmatic level, we recently added group walks in the parks as an activity for this community and folks are loving the many ways we tackle exercise and socialization in one.
- Our ECLC and SAC programs continue to regularly serve more than 300 kids and families, over half of
 which are supported through scholarship assistance. We are also in the final stages of a remodeling
 project in our ECLC space that will improve bathroom access for our little ones.
- On the **aquatics** front, over 780 children learned how to be safe in and around water last year, and we are on track to surpass that number this year!
- Looking to upcycle some gently used books at home? Add them to our **free library**, as we are always looking for book donations. We offer books for all ages at no cost, with kids, families, and seniors regularly sitting together to read and also take books home.
- We continue to provide a safe and engaging space after school for elementary and middle schoolers through our partnership with Inner Hero. And in the next few weeks as the school year comes to a close, we will welcome over 150 K-5 kids each day for Summer Power. Additionally, 150 local teens will receive a free membership through our Get Summer program. Join us in embracing all the energy and excitement that these young members bring to the community!
- Mark your calendar our **Splash into Summer event** is coming up on Thursday, June 13th and will be open to the entire community. We hope to see you and your family there!



• Ensuring all community members have access to our programs and resources remains a high priority, especially as the **need for financial assistance** in areas like youth programs and memberships increases. We hope to reach even more individuals and families facing barriers through this donor-supported funding in 2024 and beyond.

We want to express our deepest gratitude for your help in making all of this (plus so much more!) possible. Your ongoing generosity empowers us to continue showing up for our community members, purposefully evolving our programs and resources to meet diverse needs. It is no exaggeration to say that together, we are making a profound impact in the lives of many.

We look forward to sharing more with you in the coming months as we foster new opportunities to explore wellness, connection, and growth.

Thank you for being a vital part of our New Hope Y community!

With gratitude and well wishes for a wonderful summer ahead,

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