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A Letter To Members

Sent March 26, 2020

Dear YMCA Friends,

The health of our members, staff, guests, volunteers and community is our mission. We have communicated with you throughout the past weeks that as a community service organization, the YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas would continue to serve our community to the best of our ability so long as we do not put the health and wellness of our staff, guests and members, and the community at risk.

We learned just a few hours ago that Dallas Mayor Eric Johnson and Dallas County Judge Clay Jenkins requiring several institutions in our City and County to close. These orders include the YMCA. However, for the health and safety of our members, we have made the decision to temporarily close all our locations, including:

- Coppell Family YMCA
- Cross Timbers YMCA
- Frisco Family YMCA
- Grand Prairie Family YMCA
- Irving Family YMCA
- J.E.R. Chilton YMCA at Rockwall
- Lake Highlands Family YMCA
- Lakewest Family YMCA
- McKinney Family YMCA
- Moody Family YMCA
- Moorland Family YMCA
- Oak Cliff Family YMCA
- Park South YMCA
- Plano Family YMCA
- Richardson Family YMCA
- Semones Family YMCA (formerly Town North)
- T. Boone Pickens YMCA
- Waxahachie Family YMCA
- White Rock YMCA
- Camp Grady Spruce
- Camp on the Lake
- YMCA Collin County Adventure Camp

These facilities are closed as of 11:59pm on March 16th and will be closed until further notice. At that time, we will re-evaluate based on the information we have available. Senior/Active Older Adult, Youth Sports, Adventure Guides and Community Health and Wellness Programs are postponed until further notice.

In our history, we always step up when there is need and we will continue to do so going forward. We are working to determine how we can support our community members during this difficult time. For the families in our community who have children that rely on the YMCA for a hot meal, we will still provide those on a daily basis. Meals will be available for pick up in order to comply with city orders for meal service.

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

We recognize that these actions are necessary to help prevent the spread of this virus. We also know that the programs we run are important for our members and participants, and they contribute to making the community a better place. Our Y staff will continue to be paid for their regular hours to reduce the economic burden brought on by this pandemic. This is a very challenging and unsettling time for all of us. We at the Y are facing the added challenge of doing what we can by providing salary and benefits continuation to assure that our staff can afford to keep themselves and their families safe and be available to serve you when this health emergency ends. Therefore, if it is at all possible for you, we ask that you please continue your Y membership and program enrollment. We, as a community, will get through this. And when we do, we want to be in the best shape to support you and your family.

The Y is here to support your health and wellness as we navigate this new territory together. Our team is working to provide workouts for you and your family to do at home.

Within the next few days, we will begin sharing links, tips, and ideas including:

- Les Mills Virtual Workouts with over 900 workouts to choose from within 13 different formats, designed for all ages and fitness levels
- Les Mills Born to Move classes for kids of all ages

Meanwhile, please take care of yourself, your family and those around you, and continue to adhere to the preventative measures as recommended by public health officials, such as limiting interaction, practicing social distancing, and avoiding gatherings of 10 or more. Visit the CDC website for more information.

Thank you for being a loyal YMCA member and for your continued understanding during this difficult time. Our hearts go out to all who have been affected by the outbreak of Coronavirus and we continue to pray for the quick healing in our community. Given how quickly this situation is evolving, we will continue to provide updates on our website, ymcadallas.org, and via our social media channels. Thank you for your patience and partnership as we work together under these unprecedented circumstances.

Thank you,

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