



2023 Annual Celebration



YMCA OF METROPOLITAN DALLAS

2023 ANNUAL CELEBRATION

Serving North Texas since 1885

Event begins at 6:30pm

WELCOME

INVOCATION

DINNER

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD ADDRESS

PRESIDENT AND CEO ADDRESS

AWARDS

2022 SAM WINSTEAD VOLUNTEER AWARDS

2022 YOUTH CHARACTER AWARDS

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2022 THEODORE P. BEASLEY AWARD

DALLAS YMCA FOUNDATION ADDRESS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACKNOWLEDGMENT

HONORING OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS

ELECTING NEW BOARD MEMBERS

ADJOURNMENT

MENU

STARTER

BABY ROMAINE WITH OLIVES, HEIRLOOM TOMATO, CUCUMBER,
BABY PEPPER, FETA PUREE, AND OREGANO VINAIGRETTE

MAIN COURSE

ACHIOTE HALF CHICKEN & WOOD-GRILLED SALMON WITH COTIJA, CILANTRO,
ROASTED CORN POLENTA, GRILLED BABY ZUCCHINI, AND SWEET DROP PEPPER

DESSERT:

BAKED VANILLA CRÈME BRULÉE WITH WHIPPED CREAM, BERRIES, AND
SHORTBREAD BERRY CRUMBLE

ABOUT THE YMCA



Driven by its founding mission, the Y has served as a leading nonprofit committed to strengthening community for more than 175 years. The Y empowers everyone, no matter who they are or where they're from, by ensuring access to resources, relationships and opportunities for all to learn, grow and thrive. By bringing together people from different backgrounds, perspectives, and generations, the Y's goal is to improve overall health and well-being, ignite youth empowerment and demonstrate the importance of connections in and across 10,000 communities nationwide.

Founded in 1885, the YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas serves thousands of men, women and children each year, regardless of age, income or background. Anchored in communities across North Texas, the Dallas Y has the long-standing relationships and physical presence not just to promise, but to deliver, lasting personal and social change. The Y ensures all people have equitable access to the essentials needed to become thriving members of the community. Daily, the Y bridges and fills individual and community needs as a catalyst for impactful change. The YMCA makes accessible the support and opportunities that empower people and communities to learn, grow and thrive, with three areas of impact: Youth Development, Healthy Living and Social Responsibility. The Dallas Y is a volunteer-led organization driven by members, volunteers, staff and the community.



ABOUT THE YMCA OF METROPOLITAN DALLAS FOUNDATION

The YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas Foundation enables the Y to remain flexible and innovative, responding with timely solutions to the evolving needs of children and families in each of the communities served by local YMCA branches. In 1996, the YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas Foundation was chartered as a Texas non-profit corporation to manage the investment and distribution of the endowment of the Y.



WHAT THE FOUNDATION SUPPORTS

The main goal of the YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas Foundation is to support the mission, operations, and programs of the YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas. In recent years, including 2022, the Foundation Trustees have distributed 5% of the fund, based on a 12-quarter average of the fund corpus. In 2022, this distribution was a little over **\$1.3 million dollars**. Around two thirds of the distributions were directly determined by donor designations to various branches and programs. Part of the designated distributions have included providing approximately **20 four-year college scholarships** to graduating seniors with a connection to the YMCA.



CHARLES P. STOREY

STRONG COMMUNITIES AWARD

The past recipients of this distinguished award are:

2002 C. Dan Smith – Plano Family YMCA
2003 Charlie & Sarah Seay – Park Cities Family YMCA
2004 Wayne Hanks – Grand Prairie Family YMCA
2005 Louis Beecherl, Jr. – Downtown Dallas YMCA
2006 Hershel Hodges – Park Cities Family YMCA
2007 Joel Williams, Jr. – YMCA Camp Grady Spruce
2008 Ernest Randall – Richardson Family YMCA
2009 Howard Shipley – T. Boone Pickens YMCA
2010 Jack Semones – Town North Family YMCA
2012 Bill Keffler – Richardson Family YMCA
2013 Gerald Worrall, III – White Rock YMCA
2014 Larry Parks – J.E.R. Chilton YMCA at Rockwall
2015 L.G. Fuller – Moorland Family YMCA
2016 Marshall Sutton – Grand Prairie Family YMCA
2017 Chris Barnett – Semones Family YMCA
2018 John Taylor – T. Boone Pickens YMCA
2019 Beth Taylor – YMCA Camp Grady Spruce
2020 Maurice West – Park South Family YMCA
2021 Dr. Klyne Smith – McKinney Family YMCA



2022 Awardee BRUCE KLINGMAN

Bruce Klingman is a dedicated volunteer who has spent over 40 years serving the Park Cities community. He served on the Moody Family YMCA Board of Management for over a decade and chaired the Sports Committee. Bruce also actively participated in the YUSA national task force that led to the rebranding of Indian Guides to Adventure Guides.

Bruce's financial commitment to the YMCA is equally impressive. He served as the Chair of the Annual Campaign in 2001, raising 108% of the goal, which was over \$250,000. Bruce has continued to volunteer as a member of the Major Gifts Division, helping to raise funds for the construction of the Moody branch project.

Bruce's level of leadership and service has been unparalleled. He has helped the YMCA become a recognized leader in youth sports in the community. His persistence and belief in the cause of the YMCA helped influence the Moody Family YMCA project being approved. Through his leadership and drive as part of the Architectural Review Committee, the project moved from an idea to a completed project, opening on September 28, 2016.

Bruce's contribution to his local community extends beyond the YMCA. He has been an active community leader through the Salesmanship Club since 2001. Bruce's exceptional leadership, dedication, and service to his community have earned him the Charles P. Storey Strong Communities Award, and his impact on his local community will continue to be felt for years to come.



THEODORE P. BEASLEY

DISTINGUISHED LEADERSHIP AWARD

The past recipients of this distinguished award are:

1983 Theodore P. Beasley
1984 Sam G. Winstead
1985 William H. Seay
1986 Charles P. Storey
1987 Hugh L. Steger
1988 Donald E. Bowles, Sr.
1989 Gifford O. Touchstone
1990 James M. Moroney, Jr.
1991 Gen. Bryghte D. Godbold
1992 Louis A. Beecherl, Jr.
1993 James W. Porter
1994 William D. Jordan
1995 Lee S. Turner, Jr.
1996 George Cullum, Jr.
1997 Carl L. Yeckel
1998 C. Dewitt Brown, Jr.
1999 Dr. Wright Lassiter
2000 W. Plack Carr, Jr.
2001 Don Bowles, Jr.
2002 Randy Marston

2003 Sherwood Blount, Jr.
2004 Kenneth Mighell
2005 Jack McGrael
2006 John A. Martin
2007 Gail Madden
2008 Richard A. Gump
2009 Garrett Boone
2010 Ruben E. Esquivel
2011 Robert Hallam
2012 Jim Adams
2013 J. Scott Moore
2014 David Folz
2015 Michael P. Haggerty
2016 Bruce Leib
2017 Jill Magnuson
2018 Gray Mayes
2019 W. Kelvin Walker
2020 Eddie Marshall
2021 Crayton Webb



2022 Awardee HOWARD ETHERIDGE

Howard Etheridge is a dedicated community leader and volunteer who has spent over 40 years positively impacting the lives of those around him. He began his journey as a volunteer in the early 1980s with the Community Services/ Downtown Dallas Campaign, where he gained a reputation for his hard work and commitment. Howard served on the Community Services Board for 16 years, holding various leadership positions, including Board Chair. He continued his service to the community by joining the Downtown YMCA Board (now T. Boone Pickens YMCA) in 1997, where he served for seven years, playing a vital role in raising funds and organizing events.

In 2006, Howard became a member of the Association Board, serving for 14 years and contributing to the organization's growth and development. He chaired the Board Development Committee, served on the Strategic Planning and Finance Committees, and was a member of the Executive Committee. Howard's commitment to the YMCA's mission was evident in everything he did.

Howard's love for volunteering was instilled in him by his father, and he began his journey as a Turkey Trot Volunteer in 1967. Howard's tireless dedication and commitment to serving his community have not gone unnoticed, and the Y is proud to award him the prestigious Theodore P. Beasley Award for his outstanding service to the YMCA and the community.

SAM WINSTEAD

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

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The Sam Winstead Volunteer of the Year Award is presented every year to a volunteer at each branch of the Dallas YMCA who has demonstrated exceptional commitment to a program or has helped further the goals of the YMCA in his or her community.



HARRY POLLY

CAMP GRADY SPRUCE

Harry has been volunteering with the summer camp sailing program at Camp Grady Spruce for the last five years. While at the Y, he repaired several sailboats for campers to enjoy. Harry's always gone the extra mile to help and commits to help train the next generation of volunteers. He's demonstrated commitment and passion for the organization's mission and has influenced others with his positive attitude. Our staff and campers are incredibly grateful for all the long hours and hard work Harry has contributed, making a significant and positive impact on the organization and the individuals we serve together.

SAM WINSTEAD VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



RICKEY PRIMROSE COPPELL FAMILY YMCA

Rickey has volunteered with the Y for four years. During this time as a volunteer coach, kids enjoyed learning and being around him. He created a safe and supportive environment for all participants, ensuring that everyone felt valued. He has generously given his time and energy to supporting his team, contributing to a positive and enriching experience for all. Rickey implemented new practices and programs that encouraged players and went above and beyond his responsibilities, often taking on additional tasks and offering support wherever it was needed. He's passionate and committed to supporting the development and growth of young athletes in his community. As a volunteer coach, he worked with YMCA staff to design and deliver high-quality sports programs that promoted teamwork, sportsmanship, and skill-building to individual athletes to help them improve their skills and reach their full potential. The Y is grateful for amazing volunteers like Rickey.



ADRIAN PEREZ CROSS TIMBERS FAMILY YMCA

Adrian has been a YMCA volunteer coach in basketball and soccer over the last couple of seasons. He commits his time and energy to coach multiple teams in both leagues. Adrian reaches so many young athletes with a mission to support their development and growth, no matter their background. He has excellent communication skills, a positive attitude, and a willingness to learn and grow as a coach. Additionally, he's always worked well as part of a team and is committed to upholding the YMCA's values of honesty, respect, responsibility, and caring. Adrian has made a difference in our community's young people's lives. He's helped inspire and motivate the next generation of athletes while building lasting memories with the players. Adrian has always supported the Cross Timbers YMCA, and the parents of kids on his team have nothing but amazing things to say about Coach Perez.

SAM WINSTEAD

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



MICHELE TAYLOR

FRISCO FAMILY YMCA

Michele started as a board member with the Frisco Y in 2017 and became Campaign Chair the next year. Michele helped drive our campaign and inspired others to volunteer. She always went above and beyond to meet fundraising goals ahead of time and was a great team player during her efforts. In 2020, Michele graciously accepted the Board Chair position and provided leadership and guidance to the board, members, and staff. Michele's passion for the Y's mission is evident in all her work here. Michele arrives to work out at the Frisco Y every morning at 5 am, and while exercising, she shares her incredible Y story with others. She is constantly meeting and helping all the new members and is ALWAYS looking for potential new board members. Michele's heart of gold shows in her contagious smile and hard work that motivates others to do the same. We are grateful for Michele's commitment.



SANDI WOODS

GRAND PRAIRIE FAMILY YMCA

Sandi was the annual campaign chair in 2020 and 2021, served on the executive committee, and strongly supported our mission. She shared her passion with the entire community daily with anyone she could. Sandi has led the push to focus on Christian Initiatives, resulting in a formally organized committee of the Board of Managers. Sandi is our greatest champion of the Grand Prairie Y's Christian mission! Her selfless service is a reminder that our efforts have impacted the lives of countless individuals and families in the community. She plays a crucial role in leading the organization's fundraising efforts to ensure the community's needs are met through the programs and services provided by the Y. Her dedication to creating positive change in the community is recognized and celebrated. She puts her time, talent, and treasure into growing and spreading our values to others. Sandi is a true blessing to the Y family.

SAM WINSTEAD VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



KENNETH CULLINS

JER CHILTON YMCA AT ROCKWALL

Chief Cullins from the Rockwall Fire Department has been a part of the Board of Management, served as the Chair of Christian Emphasis, and involved in the Committee Food for Kids Program. Chief Cullins is a leader who inspires all those around him! His dedication to service is truly moving, and he has significantly impacted many people's lives. He comes in with a can-do spirit that is infectious. He's volunteered for the Y for the past four years and has generously given his time, resources, and expertise to support the YMCA's mission, and his efforts have helped to create a stronger, more connected, and more resilient community. During his time as a board member, he has volunteered with the YMCA to take on new initiatives and programs to better serve the needs of our community. Cullins has been a part of the Y in many capacities, and we are grateful for his support.



JOHN SMILEY

LAKE HIGHLANDS FAMILY YMCA

John has been a long-time member, donor, and volunteer at the Lake Highlands Family YMCA. John visits the YMCA twice daily, Monday – Friday. While there, he works out but also spends time helping around the facility. John moves bikes for cycle classes; he sets up chairs for senior workout classes. He is always excited to set up or tear down for YMCA community events, and John has even been the grill master for many Y pool parties! John also plays a vital role in the Annual Campaign by making rounds on the fitness floor with his campaign folder asking for donations! In addition, he is a fantastic relationship builder and helps to connect our staff team with new members at the Y. We are lucky to have John and are very thankful for all the above and beyond he does at the Lake Highlands Family YMCA.

SAM WINSTEAD

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



TIFFANY GARCIA
MCKINNEY FAMILY YMCA

Tiffany joined the Imagine International Academy's Youth & Government group when her son was in 6th grade. She helped with each of the practices and district conferences. The following year Tiffany helped with preparations and began assisting with administration and paperwork for the students. In addition, she communicates with the parents and answers questions about the program. Tiffany has attended the district and State Youth & Government conferences each year, riding the bus as an advisor and evaluating students in committees and on the floor of the House and Senate. In 2022 she won Distinguished Adult Advisor at the District Conference. Tiffany's co-workers say she is very giving of her time and goes above and beyond to help anyone on the team who is in need, professional or personal. Tiffany has a serving heart and a willingness to give back to others. Her services are a gift to the Youth & Government program students and the McKinney Family YMCA.



DANE W. BLOCK, JR.
MOODY FAMILY YMCA

Dane began his volunteer service with a cold call to the Moody Family YMCA sports director asking if he could volunteer to coach a youth sports team. Dane signed up to coach a football team and has not looked back. In the last two years, Dane has coached two seasons of tackle football and one basketball, and the spring flag football season is coming up. Dane's enthusiasm and push to do more led to an invitation to join the Board of Management in the Fall 2022. Dane led an initiative within the Board to show our gratitude to all volunteer coaches and reiterate how important that role is to the community by organizing and hosting the Y's first Coaches Breakfast in the fall. He is also spearheading an effort to target youth sports families for our Annual Campaign. We are excited he has chosen to volunteer with us! Congratulations Dane!

SAM WINSTEAD VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



SANDRA BREWER

MOORLAND FAMILY YMCA AT OAK CLIFF

Sandra is a dedicated and committed volunteer. She has an open heart and mind with a willingness to serve in any aspect that is needed. Sandra is the lead volunteer with event management. She is given the event calendar at the beginning of the year and communicates well in advance what she needs for each. She ensures everything is set up fabulously. The environment she creates is warm and welcoming. She hand-selects her team of volunteers for each event. Regardless of the occasion, Valentine's Day style show, Senior Showcase, or Lunch & Movie, she is there to ensure everyone feels at home. Sandra Brewer keeps the Y BREWING. Sandra is a dedicated and committed volunteer who demonstrates a willingness to serve in any way she can! She has always created a warm, welcoming environment for any event/occasion she has participated in, and we are grateful she calls our Y home.



SHANAY WISE

PARK SOUTH FAMILY YMCA

Shanay has served in so many capacities. She began as a parent volunteer with preschool and afterschool programs and provided a safe and fun environment for children to learn and grow outside of the traditional classroom setting. When she launched her catering business, she would ensure sweet treats and goodies were regularly provided for kids' and seniors' events and board meetings. Shanay is always looking for ways to engage the kids and we've seen the impact that she's has on the children. She has incredible energy, and this year is leading our Annual Campaign. She and her children have benefited from Y programs, and with her steadfast dedication, volunteering for the Park South Family YMCA has become a family affair. Shanay has a heart for the Y in many ways. From her sweet treats to her sweet spirit, she is the best!

SAM WINSTEAD

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



PATRICK RAMSIER

PLANO FAMILY YMCA

Patrick is a real-estate financier with 35 years of experience. He is the President of Capital Markets and Chief Real Estate Officer (CRO) for Southside Bank. Patrick has been involved with the Plano Family YMCA for over 20 years, first engaging with Adventure Princess Campouts. He has served the Board for over 14 years, has presided as Board Chair, and has been involved in several committees. His support for the YMCA in Plano is unmeasurable. He has focused on supporting our mission through his hard work and dedicated efforts in supporting the Annual Campaign. Without question, Patrick is a significant factor in our continued success. Over his tenure, he has raised more than \$650,000. Donations come from his business colleagues, friends, and family. He's even raised donations through hours on the treadmill with the help of his daughters. When they were younger, they would help their dad solicit donations at the branch, calling his contacts to say, "my dad can't get off the treadmill until we reach our goal"! His cardiologist appreciates his efforts, and our community is incredibly grateful for his perseverance.



JOEL DYKE

RICHARDSON FAMILY YMCA

Joel has been a member of the Richardson Family YMCA community for the past 15 years. His daughters participated in multiple YMCA activities, from swimming lessons to soccer to Adventure Guides. Through Adventure Guides, he took his first volunteer leadership role as a member of the Base Camp volunteers. In 2019 he became a member of the Board of Management. While serving, he helped start and run an Annual Cornhole Tournament to share the YMCA mission with the community. This event started small but has slowly grown each year and is now a standalone fundraiser. This past fall's tournament had over 100 players and raised over \$5,000 for the Annual Campaign. His initiative with the Boy Scout troops has resulted in many improvements to our local YMCA facility and its fields. Joel is an integral part of the Y, and we are lucky to have him!

SAM WINSTEAD VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



JOE MAZZA SEMONES FAMILY YMCA

Joe has been a member of the Semones Family YMCA since 1985. From the start, we did not know much about him. Fast forward 30 years, and Joe befriended two Semones Board Members who thought he would be a great addition to our Board Team. They were spot on. Joe has been on the Semones Board of Management for eight years. He is always the first person to raise his hand when a job needs to be done. Need a Committee Chair? Joe is the man. Campaign Division Leader? The first person to step up is Joe. If you want hands-on help with a special event, try to arrive before Joe. Service to his fellow humans is central to his life. Joe is a gentle, humble servant leader. He shares that he improves his life by helping others. The YMCA is grateful to have Joe Mazza on our team.



PAM ABEL T. BOONE PICKENS YMCA

Pam has volunteered countless hours at our YMCA. She started her volunteer journey four years ago as a T. Boone Pickens YMCA Board of Managers member. Pam led the 2022 Annual Campaign to 107% of the goal and to secure 94% campaign collection. Pam brings the utmost enthusiasm, energy, and dedication to every hour of volunteerism she gives to our YMCA. She represents the YMCA's core values of caring, honesty, responsibility, and respect in every sense of these words. Pam's commitment to the YMCA and its cause is contagious to the Board and staff. Pam motivates others around her to give the Y their best regardless of the circumstances. Her friendly yet competitive leadership style created a culture of excellence in everything the T. Boone Pickens YMCA does.

SAM WINSTEAD

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



KIM HIGDON

WAXAHACHIE FAMILY YMCA

Kim has been a volunteer coach with the Waxahachie Family YMCA since 2018. Kim began coaching volleyball as a way to make a difference in the lives of her players. Kim routinely coaches multiple teams in different age divisions and has faithfully coached for ten consecutive seasons of YMCA volleyball. She has profoundly impacted many lives. Kim has committed her time, effort, and resources to providing guidance and leadership to her players. We are so grateful to Kim for all of her hard work and commitment to the Waxahachie Y. Furthering the impact of her service, Kim has also included her niece to serve alongside her. In her own words, "My niece and I have an opportunity to encourage these ladies and to teach them more than just a sport. We teach life lessons."



LYNN MEYER

WHITE ROCK YMCA

The YMCA has always been a part of Lynn's life for as long as he can remember—learning to swim at the Oak Cliff YMCA when he was just nine years old. He considers our YMCA his second home and a place where all his friends are. His personal experience with the Y throughout his life has fueled his passion for sharing the Y's values with others. Ten years ago, Lynn started assisting with our Annual Campaign, and he has never disappointed us with his efforts. He's always gone above and beyond with everything he's done, and we are so grateful to him. He's played a critical role in fundraising and has inspired others to join and support our mission. Thank you for your dedication, commitment, and years of service in helping us make an impact on others. Our community and YMCA are better places because of you!

SAM WINSTEAD VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD



RENEE BENNETT

YMCA SERVING THE IRVING COMMUNITY

Renee teaches volleyball programs throughout the year, reaching hundreds of kids and helping them develop their skills. She serves as a role model, mentors her team, and ensures that each player feels valued and included. Renee teaches the players the rules and techniques of volleyball and instills values like respect, cooperation, and perseverance. Her dedication to promoting sportsmanship and teamwork and her emphasis on individual growth and development have been exemplary. She helps players become not only better athletes but also better people. Renee has left valuable life lessons with the players that will stay with them long after they leave the YMCA. Renee constantly gives back to the community, shares her passion for the sport, and positively impacts young players daily. She's gone above and beyond in her role as a volunteer coach. We are so grateful for her time and commitment to the Irving community and the Y!



ALFONSO HERNANDEZ

YMCA SERVING THE WEST DALLAS COMMUNITY

Alfonso has been a supporter of the YMCA - Serving West Dallas - for almost three years as a volunteer coach for his son's and daughter's soccer team. He works for Atmos Energy, a company that prides itself on being a good corporate citizen that invests in the communities they serve and that their employees live in. His personal and company contributions have allowed the Y to keep its promise to serve and support families in West Dallas. Mr. Hernandez believes the YMCA demonstrates a commitment to the community and offers programs and opportunities for growth, development, and a safe place for kids and community members, which aligns with his focus areas. The YMCA Serving West Dallas proudly chooses Mr. Alfonso Hernandez as our 2022 Volunteer of the Year for his commitment and passion for the Y.

YMCA YOUTH CHARACTER AWARDS



The YMCA Youth Character Award

honors worthy young people who embody the four YMCA core values: honest, respect, responsibility and caring. The award is to recognize those whose lives and achievements demonstrate an enduring commitment to qualities associated with good character.



TREY BASS, 12th grade COPPELL FAMILY YMCA

Trey embodies all core values of the YMCA, as he is an active leader here at the Coppell Family YMCA amongst his peers and many more. Trey not only works as the Member Service Representative here at the YMCA—impacting lives in the community, but he is a High School Band conductor and High School Student Council President. At the Coppell Y, he's made a tremendous impact on the organization and the members it serves. He's gone above and beyond to ensure that everyone who walks through the doors of the YMCA feels welcome and valued. He's taken the time to get to know members personally and has their needs and concerns addressed promptly and with care. He is truly inspiring to those around him. His ability to motivate others professionally and socially is one to be noticed. We are incredibly proud of the hard work Trey puts into every role he's in.

YMCA YOUTH CHARACTER AWARDS



RYKER DURDEN, 11th grade
COPPELL FAMILY YMCA

Ryker's YMCA service began as a Coppel Family YMCA Member Services Representative, where he showed his ability to help members at any age level and assist his peers and those he worked with at the front desk. He has a great work ethic and always assists members with their needs. He also worked in the sports department and would do whatever was needed to complete the work. His willingness to give his time and energy to the YMCA is a testament to his kindness and generosity of spirit. Ryker has shown remarkable selflessness and dedication to helping others, and the YMCA is grateful for his service. His commitment to the mission of the YMCA has been evident in all that he does. Ryker's shown a genuine commitment to the organization's values. He is a shining example of the power of volunteerism, and his contributions to the Y have made a lasting impact.



RIA RANA, 10th grade
WHITE ROCK YMCA

Ria is a 10th grader and has been in the YCMA Youth and Government program for five years. Over these years, Ria has overcome her fear of public speaking and not only represented the YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas, but the entire state of Texas Youth and Government program in Washington D.C for Youth Advocacy Day. Her dedication to providing young people opportunities to engage in the political process and develop leadership skills has been genuinely inspiring. Through her volunteer work with the Youth and Government program, she has helped to prepare young people for the responsibilities of citizenship and leadership. In addition, she has learned to voice her opinions and concerns and has encouraged others to think critically and creatively about the issues that affect their communities. We are so proud of Ria's work and are lucky to have her!

YMCA YOUTH CHARACTER AWARDS



JOSHUA LEE, 12th grade

MOORLAND FAMILY YMCA AT OAK CLIFF

Joshua has been part of our Youth and Government and Model United Nations civic engagement programs for four years. He has a passion for speaking about the topics most teens are afraid to discuss. His enthusiasm and passion for the program have been contagious, and he's inspired many young people to get involved and make a difference. Joshua's contributions to the Youth and Government program have helped create a community of engaged and informed young people eager to make a positive impact on the world. In addition, his efforts have helped instill in others a sense of civic responsibility and a commitment to public service, an essential part of the YMCA's mission. He highly praises the YMCA and how we have allowed him to share his voice and love throughout different communities. We thank Joshua for his hard work and dedication.



CARSON TITTLE, 12th grade

JER CHILTON YMCA AT ROCKWALL

Carson has been in our Youth and Government Program for four years. During this time, he has served as a spokesperson on behalf of the JER Chilton YMCA at Rockwall. We are genuinely proud of Carson's leadership and passion for using his voice. His contributions to the Youth and Government program have helped create a community of engaged and informed young people eager to impact the world positively. He has shared his impact at Chilton's Annual Campaign kickoff and garnered support from his community. His dedication to the Y has been evident in his hard work. Carson is a true leader and role model, and his involvement in the Youth and Government program has made a significant difference in others. Carson's enthusiasm and passion are remarkable; we are grateful and excited to see where his talents will take him.

YMCA YOUTH CHARACTER AWARDS



KATE MARKHAM, 12th grade COPPELL FAMILY YMCA

Kate has been a part of the Model United Nations at the Coppel Family YMCA for the past two years. While at the Y, she has helped mentor middle school delegates to ensure they understand the program comprehensively. Her dedication to promoting global citizenship and leadership has been truly inspiring. Through her involvement with the Model UN program at the YMCA, she has helped to prepare young people to become responsible and engaged global citizens. She has encouraged them to think critically and creatively about the complex issues that face our world today and has empowered them to take action to create positive change. Her involvement is inside and outside the Y's walls as she carries her passion for change in her personal life. Her efforts have helped promote civic responsibility as she continues representing the YMCA throughout her other community engagements.



HIYA SHARMA, 12th grade PLANO FAMILY YMCA

Hiya has been a part of our Model United Nations (MUN) program at the Plano Family YMCA for over four years. Her MUN experience helped her grow immensely in confidence and leadership skills. She learned to think outside the box and challenge herself when faced with complicated situations. She was elected to the Undersecretary of Education and Outreach position as a part of the Secretariat and learned how much work goes into organizing conferences. This year, she was invited to participate as Teen Board Member for the Plano Family YMCA. Hiya attended the board retreat, monthly meetings, and branch events and takes an active role in strengthening our community. With her passion and dedication to the Y, Hiya is a valuable ambassador in our community! We are so proud and grateful to her!

YMCA YOUTH CHARACTER AWARDS



ALEXANDRA SMITH, 10th grade

SEMONES FAMILY YMCA

Alexandra is a talented young woman with a heart for the mission of the YMCA. She makes herself available to serve at special events, chose the Y as her Eagle Scout Project beneficiary, and is the Semones Family YMCA's volunteer staff photographer. Alexandra is a talent of all trades! The YMCA and the children we serve will benefit tremendously from Alexandra's hard work. Not only is Alexandra involved, but her parents, Jay and Heather Smith, are two of the Y's best ambassadors. Alex's brother Connor was a Dallas YMCA Youth Character Award winner, and her Grandmother Lynn Smith is a donor who loves to see all the kids who benefit from YMCA programs. Alexandra was first involved in the Y with her family but is taking the initiative to create her own YMCA legacy.



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FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

YMCA OF METROPOLITAN DALLAS 2022 SCORECARD

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Nurturing the
potential of
every child
and teen

6,975

KIDS IN AFTERSCHOOL
AT 88 LOCATIONS

39,023

PARTICIPANTS IN CAMP
& OUTDOOR EDUCATION

2,027

PARTICIPATED IN TEEN
PROGRAMS

73,102

ENJOYED SWIM, SPORTS
& PLAY

HEALTHY LIVING

Improving the
nation's health
& well-being

**1,367
PEOPLE**

PARTICIPATED IN
COMMUNITY HEALTH
PROGRAMS

**1,867
DADS & KIDS**

BONDED WITH
FAMILY TIME IN
ADVENTURE GUIDES



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT®
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

YMCA OF METROPOLITAN DALLAS 2022 SCORECARD

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Giving back and
providing support
to our neighbors

\$143.5K
AWARDED
IN COLLEGE
SCHOLARSHIPS

3,589

LEARNED WATER SAFETY IN
SAFETY AROUND
WATER &
URBAN SWIM

PHILANTHROPY

Our collective
support for
the community
we serve

\$4.2
MILLION

PLEGGED IN THE 2022
ANNUAL CAMPAIGN

5,523
VOLUNTEERS
174,064
VOLUNTEER HOURS

52,569
SCHOLARSHIPS GIVEN

THROUGH
FINANCIAL AID



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SUPPORTING OUR COMMUNITY CATALYST INITIATIVE

150,580
PEOPLE SERVED



346 TONS
OF PRODUCE

692,889
POUNDS



142,147
MEALS
PROVIDED



114
BLOOD DRIVES
4,813
UNITS OF BLOOD



25,883
PEOPLE
RECEIVING
HOUSEHOLD
ESSENTIALS



10,000
BOOKS
DONATED



233,137 POUNDS
OF CLOTHING DONATED

1,504 PEOPLE
RECEIVED HOMELESS SERVICES

Program results from March 2020 – March 2023



YMCA Mission:

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

The Y. For a better us.®

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