

# GIVE FOR A BETTER US



#### **Youth Development**

All kids deserve the opportunity to discover who they are and what they can achieve, under the guidance of caring adults who believe in their potential. We see every interaction with young people as an opportunity for learning and development—all grounded in the Y's core values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.



#### Healthy Living

We help people and families build and maintain habits that improve their everyday lives. By helping kids, adults, families and seniors from all walks of life improve their health and wellbeing, we build a stronger community.

#### **Social Responsibility**

With our doors open to all, we bring together people from all backgrounds, to support those in need. We take on the most urgent needs in our community and inspire a spirit of service in return. Our members, volunteers, supporters and staff demonstrate the power of what we can achieve by giving back together.

# >>> Your donation goes directly to help people like Virgil.

Virgil Rigby most recently joined the Skyline YMCA at the age of 71. He immediately became a faithful member, coming in several times a week until the Y was forced to shut down due to the pandemic. During the shutdown, Virgil missed coming to the Y, seeing everyone and exercising regularly. He was so relieved when we reopened and immediately resumed on his workout routine. Virgil says that he enjoys the atmosphere at the Y and that he is able to walk there from his home. He also appreciates the friendly, helpful, encouraging staff. Since joining the Y, he has noticed differences in his overall strength and stamina and has managed to quit smoking! His favorite activity to do at Skyline is the EGym Weight Training System. He recently completed enough workouts to upgrade to the EGym plus and has noticed gains in his strength from using it. He also states that his doctor is pleased with his overall health and progress and that he attributes it to the Y. Paying the full monthly fee for his membership would be a challenge without the financial assistance that Virgil receives. The Annual Campaign helps members like Virgil reach his potential and he is grateful for everything he receives from the Y.

### **Your Gift In Action**

Every dollar donated to the Central Branch/Skyline YMCA Annual Campaign has a lasting impact on our community. In 2020, 7,010 people participated at the Y because of financial assistance.

	\$80	Provides childcare while a parent learns English as their second language.
	\$175	Keeps 1 child safe and confident around water through a year of swim lessons.
-	\$275	Helps 2 teenagers deepen their character as part of leadership training at the YMCA Teen Summit.
	\$525	Helps an older adult stay connected with friends and become healthy at the Y.
	\$1,250	Provides 10 girls with an 8-week program where they learn how to deal with social and emotional challenges, gain confidence, and fellowship with women in the community
	\$2,500	Inspires 1 class of 10 cancer survivors to gain strength and reclaim wellness through LiveStrong <sup>®</sup> at the YMCA.

## Through Your Generosity, Together We Will:

- Cultivate the character of tomorrow's leaders as they participate in youth and government programs that emphasize the importance of seeing different viewpoints.
- Give youth hope and older adults purpose through meaningful connections with their community.
- Provide opportunities for everyone to participate at the Y, regardless of their age, income or background.





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The YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne is a not-for-profit organization whose mission is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all.





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