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# IMPACT UPDATE

B.R. RYALL YMCA of Northwestern DuPage County | October 2023

## A MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO

As we head into the fall season, we'd like to celebrate some summer highlights: the expansion of our Summer Camp program, our successful 24th Annual Golf Classic, and the latest progress on our facility renovation. Make sure to check out the renderings in the Y lobby and watch our Monday Minute videos for the latest project updates. We appreciate everyone's patience and support as we undergo construction.

We can all look forward to project completion next year, when we will have a beautiful "new" Y that will enable us to serve our community for many years to come.



Rob Wilkinson  
Chief Executive Officer

## YOUR GIFTS AT WORK



### MAKING AN IMPACT

Santos has endured very difficult circumstances in his life—including having to parent two younger siblings, ages 3 and 6, when he was just 12 years old. Now he is a single parent to his own two children, daughter Mavis and son Dante. Fulfilling our mission, the Y has been able to help Santos and his family. In order for him to provide for his family, he needed to find nurturing child care.

Santos said, "Finding someone to trust with my children has been hard for me. What a blessing to find a place for them. The staff at the Y are very

loving and supportive, and I don't know what I would do without their help. The Y has made such a difference in our lives. It is home for us, and I couldn't find a better place or better people to care for my babies."

The Y staff shares in Santos' happiness when witnessing the growth and overall improvement in his children's well-being. Thanks to the generosity of Annual Campaign donors, the Y has been able to support Santos and his children through financial assistance for our preschool, Safe 'n Sound before- and after-school program and Summer Camp.



## SUMMER CAMP RECAP

This summer we added two new camp locations. Thanks to Abe Lincoln Elementary School – District 41 and Village Green Baptist Church for partnering with us to provide kids with a place to make new friends and have tons of fun as they explored new adventures each day. Campers came away with new skills, confidence and friendships that broadened their perspectives and strengthened their character.

Thanks to the generosity of the many donors who support our Annual Campaign, we were able to provide over \$70,000 in assistance for families in need to afford care for their children. You can help others access the Y's important programs by making an online donation at [www.brryallymca.org/donate](http://www.brryallymca.org/donate).



## HOLE-IN-ONE EVENT

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the B.R. Ryall YMCA 24th Annual Golf Classic, sponsored by AssuredPartners, on September 11 at Prairie Landing. We are grateful to the sponsors, golfers, auction donors and committee members who made the event possible! In spite of the rainy conditions, we raised over \$35,000 to benefit our teen mental health initiatives. We truly appreciate all of you for your loyalty and support.

### THANK YOU TO OUR EVENT SPONSORS!

Presenting	AssuredPartners
Dinner	L.E.D. Rite, LLC
Golf Cart	Lopez+Brosnan
Auction	Pattie Murray
Raffle	Providence Bank
Beverage Cart	Meyers & Flowers
Signage	Allegra
Bag Drop	Precor
Evening Cocktail	Wight & Company
Lunch	Glen Ellyn Bank & Trust
Putting Green	eCore
Evening Music	The Hearing Doctors
Driving Range	302 Wheaton

## RENOVATION EXCITEMENT!

For over a century, the B.R. Ryall YMCA of Northwestern DuPage County has been dedicated to improving the physical, mental and emotional health of community members of all ages. To continue fulfilling our mission, the Y has started an extensive \$12 million renovation project that will transform our existing Y into a vibrant facility with flexible program spaces to address community needs—enabling the Y to expand its impact now and in the future.

Demolition and construction is underway within the building to repurpose 10,000 square feet of unutilized and underutilized space to create more adaptable program areas, increase ADA accessibility, upgrade mechanical and HVAC system efficiency, and put the Y in a position of success for the next 20+ years. By repurposing spaces within the existing building, the Y will create a state-of-the-art facility at one-third the cost of a newly constructed facility.

Check out our weekly project updates via the Monday Minute videos with CEO Rob Wilkinson at [www.brryallymca.org/facility-renovation-project/](http://www.brryallymca.org/facility-renovation-project/).

