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Dear Eagan Y Community Members,

As we reflect on the first half of the year and look ahead to summer, there's a renewed sense of energy and possibility here at the Eagan YMCA. Each season brings change and with it, an opportunity to better serve our community in meaningful and lasting ways.

Because of ongoing support from generous donors like you, we are growing and meeting the evolving needs of all those we serve.

In 2025 alone, **more than \$147,000 in donor-supported scholarship assistance** helped ensure that individuals and families facing financial barriers could access memberships and programs. We also welcomed **over 1,063 new members of all ages** and provided safe, inclusive spaces for **4,050+ kids and teens** to build confidence, friendships, and a sense of belonging.

As we carry this momentum forward, we're excited to share how we are continuing to strengthen our community and impact in the months ahead. Here's what's on the horizon:

Expanding Community Leadership

We are entering an exciting phase of growth and are actively building our Board of community leaders who are passionate about the YMCA's role in Eagan. We are looking for individuals who want to advocate, connect, and help shape the future of our Y. (If you are interested in learning more, we would love to connect with you!)

Increasing Access to Aquatics

In 2025, 404 children and adults gained essential, life-saving water safety and swimming skills through aquatics programming at our Y. We are committed to expanding these offerings to reach even more individuals this year, helping individuals of all ages build confidence in the water and develop skills that can last a lifetime.

Supporting Our Seniors

With recent changes to SilverSneakers and insurance-based programs, we introduced a new low-cost senior membership rate to ensure continued access for our ForeverWell members who rely on the Y for health and connection. We've already seen many familiar faces return, and we remain committed to keeping our doors open and welcoming for every senior in our community.

Fostering Whole-Person Wellbeing

At our Y, health and wellness go far beyond fitness — they are about helping people feel better, move with confidence, and build habits that support their overall physical and mental wellbeing. Donor support has made it possible to provide 71 wellness packages and training subscriptions in the last year, giving members the tools, guidance, and encouragement to better understand their health and take meaningful steps forward in their wellbeing journeys. We will continue to meet people where they are — offering personalized support, a variety of group experiences, and programs designed to help every individual make progress in their own way, at their own pace.

Strengthening Member Connections

The relationships built within our walls are what make the Y special. This year, we are placing an even greater emphasis on connection — creating more opportunities to listen, engage, and foster meaningful relationships with those we serve. Our goal is simple: ensure that every person who walks through our doors feels welcomed, supported, valued.

Thank you for being part of this work as a friend and donor. Your partnership is the fuel behind our mission, helping us create and sustain opportunities for individuals and families to grow, connect, and thrive.

We look forward to all we will accomplish together in the months and years ahead as we continue to show up for our Eagan Y community in the ways that matter most.

With deep gratitude and wishing you a wonderful summer,



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P.S. Interested in getting more involved, joining our Board, or further supporting this work? Let's connect!
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