OUR VISION
The YMCA of Greensboro will be a warm, friendly environment radiating a feeling of belonging and caring where people of all ages, races, faiths, beliefs, and physical and financial abilities participate in worthwhile programs and meaningful experiences that make a positive difference in their lives.

OUR MISSION
Our mission is to put Judeo-Christian principles into practice through programs that build a healthy spirit, mind and body for all.

OUR GOAL
Our goal is to turn no one away because of inability to pay and to provide scholarships on a sliding scale to keep our membership and program fees affordable for those who desire to become a member of the YMCA family.

For the YMCA of Greensboro, this was an exciting year of celebrations. These celebrations were honored throughout the year, giving us numerous opportunities to engage with our volunteers and our community in joyous events commemorating some of our major 2014 milestones.

• The 125th anniversary of the YMCA of Greensboro, marked by a huge Family Fun Day at the Spears Y.
• The completion and opening of the new Hayes-Taylor YMCA, with hard hat tours building up to the big finish, a fabulous Ribbon Cutting event with 500 people in attendance, and a large Community Open House in January. These events also helped us honor the 75th anniversary of the old Hayes-Taylor facility even as we celebrated the opening of the grand new building.
• The 10th anniversary of the opening of the Ragsdale YMCA in May.
• Camp Weaver received a KABOOM grant to build a new playground that provided an incredible opportunity for volunteers, staff and members of the community to come together and build several amazing new play areas at Camp.
• As a direct result of the community and volunteer support the event has seen over the last 3 years, the YMCA of the USA renewed the contract for Greensboro to host the Y-National Short Course Swim Meet for another 3 years.
• We entered into a management agreement with the Eden Family YMCA that could result in a merger of their facility into the YMCA of Greensboro by the end of 2015.
• We received a grant to expand the Diabetes Prevention Program into Alamance and Rockingham Counties.

We are excited about all the wonderful successes of the past year and we are energized around our commitment to nurture the potential of every child and teen, to improve our communities’ health and well-being, and to provide opportunities to give back to and support our neighbors.

“You get a different feel at the Y, more than a gym. I love knowing my member dues go for other causes, too, such as helping in the community.” —Marquita Wood Spears YMCA

Angela DeFrank receives Sullivan Welborne Jr. Volunteer of the Year

Kevin Chen Spears Youth of the Year receives the President’s Volunteer Service Award

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YMCA 2014 ACHIEVEMENTS & CELEBRATIONS

Bryan Family YMCA
- Awarded more than $165,000 in scholarships to help nearly 1,000 people enjoy membership, youth programs, water fitness, and other YMCA services.
- Served over 150 children through our Bright Beginnings back-to-school and Angel Tree programs.
- Provided free swim lessons and water safety classes for over 100 disadvantaged children in our community through our Swim-2-Life Program with WFMY News 2.
- Hosted Project Graduation, an alcohol-free option for nearly 500 Slimline High School seniors. The program is designed to reduce the number of alcohol related driving fatalities associated with Drinking and Driving on graduation night.
- LIVESTRONG at the YMCA program, offered health and wellness programs for 16 cancer survivors. The programs are designed to strengthen and support survivors on the road to recovery. We were able to empower cancer survivors to improve their physical fitness and live a healthy lifestyle at no charge to the participant.
- Supported Hope Academy and Glenwood Ministries by providing structured wellness classes and Swim Lessons for Hope Academy students.

Camp Visitors
- Achieved full attendance in both resident and day camps for the first time in many years.
- Became the new site for the NC Bankers Association supported financial literacy camps.
- 260 rising star attendees from all over the state.
- Hosted 130 children of fallen and wounded warrior residents supported by Camp Corral.
- Campers earned 4000 awards stars in skill based camp activities.
- Built a new playground with over 300 volunteers in one day through the support of Kayn and local businesses.

Hayes-Taylor Memorial YMCA
- Successfully moved to brand new, 5,000 square foot state-of-the-art facility.
- Membership units increased 28% from 783 in old facility (December 2014) to 1900 in new facility (March 2015).
- Raised over $10.7 million for Capital Campaign.
- Raised over $125,000 for Annual Campaign and provided scholarships to over 445 participants.

Stoney Creek Express YMCA
- Bright Beginnings program increased its number of volunteers and donations in order to serve more children from the community.
- Angel Tree Program provided gifts for 25 families during the Christmas season.
- Co-hosted the 2nd Annual Halloween Fun Fest at Camp Weaver. This event served as a safe location for families to enjoy games and fun.
- The YMCA partnered with a local church to sponsor a Backpack Program that provides food for children who might not have access to meals during the weekends while away for school.
- Started a program that provides free Bibles to those in need.

Reidsville Family YMCA
- Completed renovation of B&B room to become a multipurpose room to increase program opportunities.
- Served 95 children through our Bright Beginnings back-to-school program.
- Provided 400 blankets, through our Bring a Blanket campaign, to community organizations.
- Served 150 children and 50 seniors with gifts through the Angel Tree collection at the Spears Y.
- Took 77 children back to school shopping and distributed 135 book bags with school supplies.
- Approximately 125 children received school clothing and supplies through Bright Beginnings program.
- Over 100 people participated in the 5th Annual “Walk for the Future” 5K Walk/Run.

Hayes-Taylor YMCA Grand Opening Ceremony

Summary
- New York Times reporter Michael Dudikoff, with Justice Secretary, spoke at the opening.
- More than 1000 people attended the opening ceremony.
- The new YMCA offers a variety of programs and services for the community.
- The YMCA is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for all.

315th Cake Cutting Ceremony at Spears Family Y