



For over 100 years, YMCAs as charitable organizations, have been serving communities in Ohio. As the COVID-19 pandemic has unfolded, our commitment to youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility has not wavered. We are working closely with local, and state authorities, as we look to re-open slowly and responsibly. We are excited to see so many of our community members back in our buildings, exercising, learning, laughing and being together. With that, we will be re-opening on Monday, June 1, 2020.

We want to open in a manner that makes all that use our facility feel safe, welcomed, and thought of as we move into new ways of experiencing our everyday lives. Not everything will look the same when we re-open. First, we will have adjusted building hours to start to learn what we will need to do as an operation to clean, maintain, and provide safe spaces each and every day. We will have procedures to screen members before entering, staff will be wearing masks and gloves, and not all parts of the building will be available during a phased approach to re-opening safely. Phase 1 will have lap swim and the fitness center available with limited locker room use. There will be no group exercise classes, kidzone, open gym, basketball, pickleball, or use of the warm water pool. There are many other items that will also be different but we want you all to know we are working with all our local health officials, the Governor's office and other local Y's to meet all required guidelines and orders in order to open safely and responsibly. We know it is the right decision under these extraordinary circumstances because the health and well-being of you, our members, and our valued community comes first, always.

It's more important than ever to live our YMCA cause of strengthening the foundation of community and while we can't serve everyone in person the way we have in the past right away, there are free group exercise workouts available on our YouTube Channel to continue your group exercise journey until we reunite. In Phase 2 we will work towards reopening our gym, kidzone, and group exercise classes so that many that love to play those sports, participant in those activities and use child care, can join us again in the small communities that make us all friends. Lastly, we will work towards reopening our youth, teen, adult and family programming in a way that keeps everyone safe but still provides the quality programming opportunities to learn, grow, and thrive, as we always have at the Union County Family YMCA.

We know you still have a lot of questions. We still do, too. All of us at the Y are grateful for the outpouring of support many of you have expressed. We are committed to doing everything possible to secure the future of the YMCA, and all its services, as these uncertain times continue. Sincerely,

Trevor Secord  
Chief Executive Officer