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Geary Family YMCA Announces Management Agreement with YMCA of Greater Toledo

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Following the resignation of long-time CEO, Eric Stinehelfer, the Geary Family YMCA's Board of Directors has developed a leadership transition plan for the Ys leadership. Effective March 15, 2018, the Geary Family YMCA will enter into a one-year Management Agreement with the YMCA and JCC of Greater Toledo.

The agreement provides the Geary Family YMCA with the opportunity for a comprehensive assessment of all its operations, including but not limited to its finances, fitness and aquatic programs, child care, membership and marketing efforts by a team of Toledo Y experts. In addition to providing on-site Executive Director leadership, they will submit recommendations for improvement to the Board of Trustees in the first 90 days. This agreement will be in effect until the end of February 2019. At that time, both Boards will determine the next steps.

"We are excited about the opportunity that this collaboration provides," said Laura Ritzler, Board President of the Geary Family YMCA. "This Management Agreement allows us to explore the sharing of resources and services to strengthen our YMCA Mission and best serve the youth, families and seniors in Fostoria.

The Geary Family YMCA was founded in 1912 and strengthens the foundation of our community through fitness programs, youth sports, swimming lessons, day care services, team sports, as well as managing the Fruth Outdoor Center and Foundation Park. At the YMCA, we help build a healthy spirit, mind, and body for all while remaining true to our core values of caring, honesty, respect, responsibility and faith.

Brad Toft, CEO of the YMCA of Greater Toledo, will provide leadership to the collaboration efforts. The Greater Toledo YMCA and Jewish Community Center of Greater Toledo currently manages eleven YMCA and JCC facilities in the greater Toledo area, as well as the Storer Camps, the YMCA of Lenawee County in Adrian, Michigan, and the Putnam County YMCA in Ottawa, Ohio.

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