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YMCAs in Bucks County announce a shared future and bold commitment to all residents across the county

Earlier this month, Central Bucks Family YMCA, Lower Bucks Family YMCA and Upper Bucks YMCA joined together to announce a shared future and bold commitment to significantly impact the lives of youth and families and the health and wellness of individuals of all ages across all of Bucks County.

Central and Lower Bucks Family YMCAs announced that they have officially merged into one organization under the new name: **YMCA of Bucks County**. Additionally, the new organization is working with Upper Bucks YMCA on a shared future that will be formalized in early 2019. Operating collaboratively across Bucks County provides YMCA members and participants more convenient access to services, close to home and work, and enables them to benefit from the specialized programming offered at each location.

According to Pat Edwards, current Upper Bucks YMCA Executive Director, "This opportunity to become one with YMCA of Bucks County is happening at the ideal time because of the change in leadership that would have happened at our Y due to my retirement (in December, 2018). Being part of a county-wide YMCA means we will be able to bring many programs and services to our members and our community that we were not able to do on our own. I am very hopeful for the future of our Y as I step down and will watch enthusiastically as our commitment to our community continues long into the future."

YMCA of Bucks County

The newly formed YMCA organization will be led by Zane Moore, current President/CEO of Central and Lower Bucks Family YMCAs which have been operating under a management agreement for nearly five years.

Collectively, the YMCAs of Bucks County have member branches in Doylestown, Fairless Hills, Newtown, Quakertown and Warminster, as well as child care centers in Fairless Hills, Morrisville, New Britain, Newtown and Quakertown with an outdoor camp center in Holland. With revenue of \$20 million, they employ 1,600 people, serve more than 60,600 members and participants annually, and will provide nearly \$5 million in charitable community impact this year.

"At the Y, strengthening community is our cause. Bringing the three Bucks County YMCAs together allows us to utilize resources in the most effective way to ensure high quality YMCA services across the county. We continue our commitment to working side-by-side with our neighbors to make sure that everyone, regardless of age, income or background, has the opportunity to improve their health and to learn, grow and thrive at the Y," said President/CEO Zane Moore.

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The Y is one of the nation's leading nonprofits strengthening communities through youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. Upper Bucks YMCA's mission is to put Christian principles, including honesty, caring, respect and responsibility into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind and body for all. The YMCA has a financial assistance program, supported by the United Way of Bucks County and private contributions, which ensures that no one will have to be turned away because of his or her inability to pay. Find out more at ubymca.org.

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