



Invest in Youth

'Virtual' Silent Auction

Dear YMCA Community Supporter,

The Champaign Family YMCA is very excited to announce we are STILL HOSTING the Annual 'Invest in Youth' Silent Auction! This year, we move to a "hybrid" format of items on display in person at the Y, AND virtual bidding on our website. We would love to have your continued support and are encouraging businesses and individuals to help make our 21st year 'Invest in Youth' Silent Auction our largest to date! Friends and family from all over the world will be able to participate in the bidding this year and shipping costs will be displayed for all those that need their items quickly shipped at the auction's end. The silent auction will be open from noon on Black Friday, November 27th until 6:00 PM on Monday, December 7th.

Every dollar raised will go toward providing YMCA memberships to families and youth in our community. We strive to embrace everyone, regardless of their ability to pay, and provide a safe place for children to be supervised by positive role models. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to provide scholarships to over 375 Champaign County residents last year totaling over \$106,000!

In order to create a great auction experience, we are asking for your donations. Past items include gift baskets, tickets to sporting events, Christmas toys, signed memorabilia, gift certificates, and many more! In previous years, some donors chose monetary donations to go directly toward a one-year youth membership cost of \$300. No matter the gift, you or your business will be recognized as a Y Champion for 2020! Your commitment to our 'Invest in Youth' fundraiser allows us to continue to provide our unique environment of building achievement, belonging, and relationships at the Y. In 2020, there has never been a more important time to help each other!

Enclosed you will find a donor form that you can fill out and email to ymca@ctcn.net or mail directly to the Champaign Family YMCA. We are happy to pick up your items (as indicated on the form), or feel free to drop them off anytime! You're also welcome to contact Polly (653-8383) or Chris (653-1702) with ideas or questions about this year's auction!

Thank you for your continued support of our mission!

2020 Silent Auction Committee

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