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ywca southeastern massachusetts 2014 annual report





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# dear ywca family &



On behalf of the Board and Staff of the YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts. it is my great pleasure to present to you our annual report for fiscal year 2014. It is so hard to believe that another year has come and gone. This has been a year of many changes as we are now halfway through our 2013 -2015 strategic plan!

The YWCA consolidated services and programs into four departments: Youth Services, Services. Residential Services and Health and Wellness. Our Medical Transportation Program is now part of the Health and Wellness Department and Girls Exclusive, Girls Giving and Growing and Tween 2 Teen are combined into one program: Girls Exclusive After-School and Summer Program serving girls in elementary, middle and high school. We now offer racial justice and economic advancement classes in English, Portuguese and Spanish and expanded our health and wellness

New Bedford, Fall River and Wareham.

For the second year in a row, our YWCA Whyte and Joan Yotides. was a top three finalist for the YWCA **USA** Economic Advancement Award! It is a true honor to be recognized by our national office and our peers across the country for our work in economic advancement and leadership development of young women.

In making changes to our programs we also restructured our staff to create a position solely dedicated to development and communications. We also increased our YWkids and Girls Exclusive staff members to serve more youth in the community. Over the next year we hope to continue to expand our youth program offerings in the region.

We continued to enhance our social media and web presence by revamping our old website and creating a new one that is fresh, light and user-friendly on iphones, iPads, and tablets. We added a blog to our website and featured 80 girls in our I am YWgirl facebook media campaign. Hopefully, you follow us on twitter as well. We will continue to enhance our communication with you as we continue to make progress on our capital campaign and increase our programs and services in southeastern Massachusetts.

Our advocacy efforts locally, statewide and nationally focused this year on violence against women, immigration, paid sick leave, increasing minimum wage, and education. We participated voter registration and provided information to the public about the importance of voting and making your voice heard. We hope to build on these efforts in the future as we gear up for the 2016 Presidential election.

offerings to include diabetes outreach in We dedicate this annual report in memory of two very special women that we lost this year: Leonora Leonora the **YWCA** Southeastern Massachusetts' oldest and longest member, she voted in every election and attended every Annual Meeting. She was also the mother of former YWCA Executive Director, Yvonne Joan Yotides was the Dravton. YWCA Widowed Persons Director who retired in September 2013 after 19 years of service to the YWCA. Both are true YWCA women in every sense of the word. We miss both of them tremendously and both of their memories will live on forever in our programs and services.

> In closing, I would like to thank the truly committed and dedicated YWCA Board, Staff, members, volunteers and donors that help make all of this happen on a daily basis. Without you the YWCA would not be able to accomplish all that we do. Thank you also for your continued support and as we work to increase the capacity of the YWCA so that many more women. girls and families can access needed services in our community.

> Sail M. Fortes

Gail M. Fortes **Executive Director** 



## friends,



Dear Friends,

This is the time of year when we reflect on the past year's success and also take a look at areas we need to improve upon. In 2014, we continued to work through and manage the initiatives set forth in our strategic plan...the capital campaign, programming, resource development, and more...being nimble was a must, as many adjustments needed to be made along the way. Fortunately for us, we have a mission that guides us and keeps us motivated to forge on!

"eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all..."

Some of society's greatest challenges wouldn't you say? We view that statement as hope for a better future... for every individual, every family, every community and even every country.

Right from the start, the Board placed Advocacy as a top priority on our strategic initiative list. Advocating for that mission and rallying around those that have been treated unjustly continue to be an area of success, as well as, improvement for us. 2014 brought many opportunities to get involved in the areas of racial justice. domestic violence awareness, women's reproductive rights and LGBTQ issues. We wrote Op-eds, partnered strategically with other organizations for a greater reach, and most recently, led an effort to educate and register voters in our communities. Our Board is committed... you haven't heard the last from us!

And it's not just the Board that is passionate about the mission. Our dedicated staff has done an incredible job at expanding our outreach, while strengthening our programs and services.

As you read this annual report, I hope it will remind you of our recent successes and energize you for the future as you envision the mission of the YWCA in 2015. For those of you who have tirelessly committed time and energy to the success of this organization, I thank you. For the many of you who are new, I welcome you to the YWCA Southeastern MA. The Board and I look forward to working with all of you in the year ahead.



Nicole Almeida President







# income/expenses

YWCA Southeastern MA FY 2014 audited figures completed 10/28/14 by Hodgson, Pratt, Pratt, Saunders and Associates

	FY2014	FY2013	\$ Change	Notes
REVENUE				
Contributions, Gifts, Legacies, Bequests & Special Events	155,948	176,547	(20,599)	Reduction in contributions to campaign
Grants	640,406	639,692	714	
Program Service Fees	115,372	71,898	43,474	FY' 14 increase in residents
Investment Revenue	30,398	32,072	(1,674)	
Other Revenue	2,508	4,058	(1,550)	
TOTAL REVENUE	944,632	924,267	(20,365)	
EXPENSES				
Administration (Management & General)	171,048	172,764	(1,716)	
Fundraising	51,937	120,223	(68,286)	Capital campaign expenses
Total Program Services	737,592	662,761	74,831	Increase in youth and residential programs
TOTAL EXPENSES	960,577	955,748	4,829	
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## balance sheet

YWCA Southeastern MA FY 2014 audited figures completed 10/28/14 by Hodgson, Pratt, Pratt, Saunders and Associates

BALANCE SHEET	FY2014	FY2013	\$ Change	Notes
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Checking/Savings	249,260	354,305	(105,045)	Capital funds expended- switch from oil to gas
Accounts Receivable	59,412	43,527	15,885	
Total Current Assets	308,672	397,832	(89,160)	
Pledges Receivables	105,524	77,022	28,502	Campaign pledges
Endowment	248,727	191,689	57,038	
Other Assets	424,229	407,429	16,800	
Prepaid Assets	5,002	1,091	3,911	
Fixed Assets, net of accumulated depreciation	1,368,113	1,375,272	(7,159)	
TOTAL ASSETS	2,460,267	2,450,335	9,932	
LIABILITIES & EQUITY				
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	62,610	68,428	(5,818)	
Accrued Expenses	24,375	19,490	14,885	
Line of credit	93,921	91,597	2,324	
Other current liabilities	84	667	(583)	
Total Current Liabilities	180,990	180,182	808	
Long Term Liabilities	396,000	396,000	0	A Woman's Place
Total Liabilities	576,990	576,182	808	
Equity	1,883,277	1,874,153	9,124	
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## capital campaign

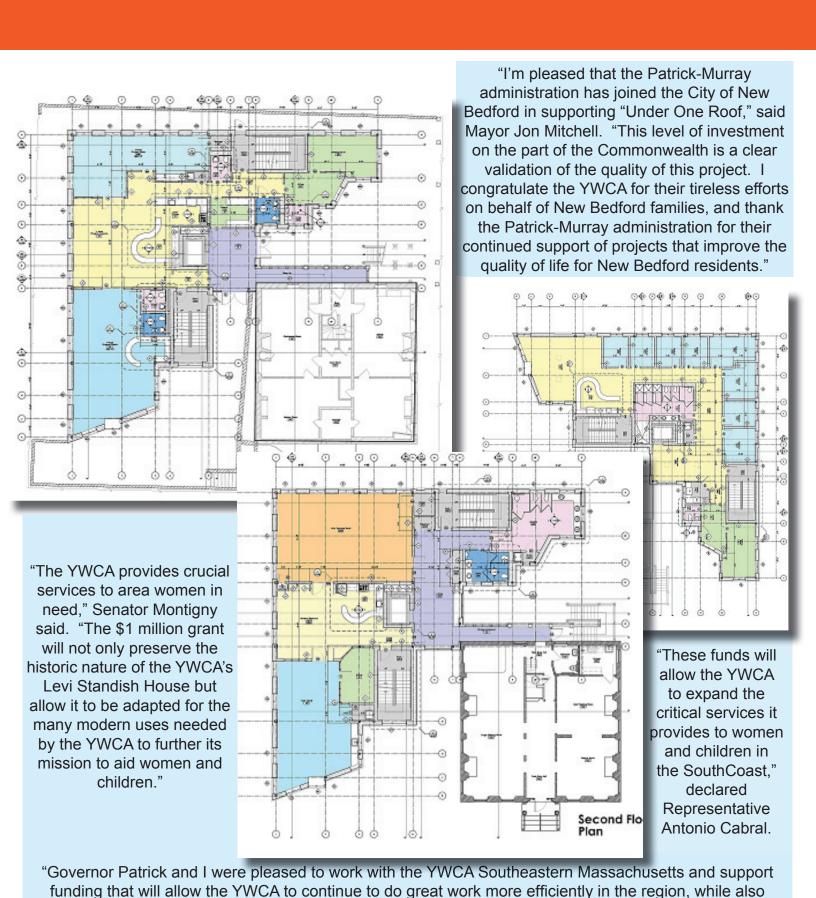


We are so very close! We are in the final stages of the YWCA's \$3.8 million Under One Roof capital campaign for a LEED-certified, 17,320 square foot building addition adjacent to the restored Levi Standish House. This long-awaited project is about to become a reality for the YWCA, all those who benefit from our programs and services, and for the Greater New Bedford community. We simply cannot wait to break ground on this transformational project.

Construction documents from Litman Architecture are anticipated to be delivered to the YWCA in the Winter of 2015. Then the project will be ready for the public bidding process and an anticipated Spring 2015 groundbreaking! During this exciting time, we must reach the final campaign goals in public and private support. Funding above this goal further reduces our long-term credit facility. Thus, we continue to seek generous donors to this substantial new building project.

There are several prominent naming opportunities still available such as:

- First Floor and Foyer (YWkids Childcare) \$250,000
- Second Floor and Foyer (Teens & Women's Resource Center) \$250,000
- Third Floor & Foyer (Women's Residence) \$250,000
- Multipurpose Community Room (2nd Floor) \$100,000
- Elevator and 2nd and 3rd Floor Elevator Lobbies \$100,000 (combined)
- YWkids Commons \$50,000
- YWkids Library \$50,000
- Women's Residence Lounge \$50,000
- YWkids Meeting Room \$25,000
- Another Women's Place Kitchen \$25,000
- Another Woman's Place Study Area \$25,000
- Another Women's Place Bedrooms \$10,000 each (4 Remaining)
- Room Furnishings \$5,000+



preserving its historic building," said Lieutenant Governor Timothy Murray.

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# programs/services

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YWCA SEMA	Number Served July 1,	Number Served July 1,	
Programs and Services	2012-June 30, 2013	2013-June 30, 2014	
Widowed Persons Program	136 Elderly Men and Women	142 Elderly Men and Women	
Short Distance Medical Transportation	50 Elderly Men and Women	35 Elderly Men and Women	
YWCA Health and Wellness (formerly ENCORE <sup>plus</sup> )	2,725 Underserved Women	2,714 underserved women	
Mayor's Youth Council	18 Disadvantaged Teen Boys and Girls	15 Disadvantaged Teen Boys and Girls	
YWCA Health and Wellness Waterpals	45 Women Breast Cancer Survivors	23 Women Breast Cancer Survivors	
A Woman's Place	12 At-Risk Women	16 At-Risk Women	
Another Woman's Place	11 At-Risk Women	16 At-Risk Women	
YWkids School Age Program	102 Disadvantaged Boys and Girls	114 Disadvantaged Boys and Girls	
Girls Exclusive	90 Disadvantaged Teen Girls	90 Disadvantaged Teen Girls	
Racial Justice	210 Underserved Women and Men	97 Underserved Women and Men	
Economic Advancement	37 At-risk and Disadvantaged Women	162 At-risk and Disadvantaged Women	
Leadership Development for Women Under 30	26 young women age 18-30	12 young women age 18-30	
Total Served	3,462	3,436	
# of Volunteers	93 (+14 Board Members)	95 (+14, Board Members)	
# of Volunteer Hours	3,027	3,062	
# of Materials Distributed	11,864	12,591	
# of People that Attended Special Events (not counted above)	2,193	2,328	





### testimonials



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#### **Widowed Persons Program**

"When I came to the group for the first time the anger just flowed from me due to my loss, triggered from within me came some deeply subconscious facts that I could not, or would not let surface. Yet they let me speak, and with time I was able to let go, and "Accept" my loss. So to The Widowed Persons program, as well as others in the program, from the bottom of my heart I say thank you very much. Respectfully, Mr. Peter Ryder"

#### **YWkids School Age Program**

- "I feel safe here. I love the staff, they help us. I have fun." -- Jamie, age 8
- "I love the fieldtrips during the summer. The Pawsox game was my favorite." -- Dah'Sean, age 7
- "I like that we learn new things and we do marches against violence." -- Jaliyah, age 9
- "I love doing clubs here. I love science." -- Elijah, age 10
- "Really? I love everything here! Making friends, playing outside and at the park, the staff. It's the best!" -- Efren, age 10

#### **Girls Exclusive**

"I think Girls Exclusive is good because I love meeting new people." -- Kiarrah

#### Residential Services

"The Residential Program run by the YWCA has changed my life. It is a residential program for women in recovery. I am a 59 year old women who battled addiction for years. Today, I actually have a home at A Women's Place. The house itself is beautiful, but the caring way in which the house is run by a group of very special women is the true gift. They have taught me to be



responsible, accountable, and how to live on my own. There are many success stories at the YWCA Residential Program. It has afforded me an oppertunity to live a clean and sober life and be a productive member of society. I will be forever grateful!." --Linda



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