



Metropolitan YMCA's of
Mississippi

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Mo Williams
Mo Williams Foundation
425 Brookwood Estates Drive
Byram, MS 39272

Dear Mo,

Thank you for all you have done for the Farish Street YMCA. Your contribution will be used to install a much needed new roof and renovations to the gym floor.

The I. S. Sanders YMCA serves a total of **236** children (preschool and school age) year-round, all receiving fee assistance. Only seven out of all these children go home to a mother and father. The Y's summer activities were busy with an average of **145** children attending daily. **93** school-age children received tutoring helping them complete their Jackson Public Schools' summer reading assignments and preparation for this school year. Our PrimeTime basketball program in the evening has over **200** teenagers, ages 13-18, helping them build character, increase social competence, and learn nonviolent resolution skills.

The I. S. Sanders YMCA programs and services are vital to the inner city and Capitol Street children and families. Marcus, a single father of three, says the Farish Street YMCA is a "home away from home"; helping him strengthen his parenting skills, teaching him about budgeting and investing his money, and providing a safe and nurturing place for his children while he's at work. "They taught me the value of being a father and not just a father figure."

Without your generous support, it would not be possible for these children and families to receive the services they need to change the cycle of poverty and inadequate education in this community. But, the greatest gift we could have received was your time and willingness to give back to the community. We greatly appreciate your gifts to our YMCA.

Sincerely,

David Reeves
President/CEO
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Serving the community by practicing Christian principles through programs that build Spirit, Mind & Body.



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