

The new year has kicked off to a productive start at the site of the future Walton County YMCA. Daily, land is being cleared and trees are being cut in preparation for the 36,000 square foot facility. Site work will continue for a few months and will progress into the next phase of building later this year. Fundraising efforts are driving forward as the reality of the YMCA is setting in. We are getting so close to enjoying all the things the Y has to offer—affordable membership for all, a state-of-the-art natatorium, group fitness classes, youth programs and more! Our goal is for each life in Walton County to be touched by the Y, whether it be to build a healthler mind, body or spirit as they work to become the best version of themselves they can be.



At their ribbon cutting for the new downtown Monroe office, Kinetic presented a donation of \$1,000 to the new Walton County YMCA. We are grateful for their support and look forward to a great relationship!

HOW CAN I SUPPORT THIS PROJECT FOR A HEALTHIER WALTON?

Make a difference in the lives of your neighbors by sharing and furthering the mission of the YMCA.

Visit our website at https://gapledmontymca.org/walton if you would like to be a part of bringing the YMCA to Walton County!

BUILDING A HEALTHIER WALTON — FOR ALL—

FEBRUARY 2023

Progress continues to be made daily at the Walton County YMCA site at the intersection of Charlotte Rowell Blvd and Drake Drive. Soon, architectural renderings will come to life in the form of a beautiful 36,000 square foot facility in Monroe. Complete with a state-of-the-art wellness center, aerobics studio, childcare classrooms and two indoor pools, the Walton County YMCA will become the perfect addition for health seekers in the area.

Supporting this soon-to-be YMCA are hundreds of neighbors and friends who wish to build a safe and healthy community for their families. Whether by spreading the word or donating to the capital campaign, you, too, can jump on board and become the newest supporter of the Y!



NAMING OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE NOW

Outdoor Playground for Child Watch \$100,000
Outdoor Playground for After School & Summer Camp \$100,000
Aerobics Studio \$150,000
Men's Lockerroom \$75,000
Women's Lockerroom \$75,000
Conference Room \$100,000
Director's Offices \$15,000 each
YMCA Lobby \$250,000
Wellness Center \$300,000
Basketball Gym \$3,000,000
Building Naming Rights \$5,000,000

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MARCH 2023

IMAGINE... if everyone felt safe in the water

Imagine the possibilities when children are given the chance to be confident in the water, when adults are given the opportunity to move and get active in a pool, and when people of all ages are able to improve their health through aquatics. The Walton County YMCA will feature a state-of-the-art natatorium to offer the citizens of Walton County just that.

The new Walton County YMCA will change the lives of each and every person who walks through its doors. Through programs that support Youth Development, Healthy Living and Social Responsibility, the Y will be the difference that people have been looking for.

Programs for youth will include Safety Around Water, Swim Lessons, Swim Team and more, while adults and seniors can get the physical exercise they need in the warm water therapy pool. Aqua Aerobics, Aqua Therapy and lap swimming offer the opportunity to many people-whose only option is water due to chronic illnesses and injuries-the chance to reach their full potential.



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A HEALTHIER WALTON



IS ON THE HORIZON

CAMPAIGN UPDATE

A board of directors has been formed for the Walton County YMCA, and with the addition of leaders from around the county, our campaign is reinvigorated to continue in our quest to bring the YMCA to Walton.

The first phase of site work is continuing daily at the 38-acre property at the intersection of Charlotte Rowell Blvd and Double Springs Church Road. Bulldozers and other machinery can be seen moving dirt to lay the groundwork for the next phase of construction.

Fundraising for this project is ongoing, and both businesses and individual donors alike are pulling together to help make this dream a reality. Naming opportunities are still available for those who wish to leave a lasting legacy in support of the YMCA.

APRIL 2023



Peach State FCU C.A.R.E.S. Foundation presented a check to the Walton County YMCA in support of the capital campaign at the site of the future YMCA this month.

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Campaign & Construction Update

Community support for the new Walton County YMCA is continuing to gain momentum as site work progresses into the summer.

Naming opportunities are available and are a great chance for families to honor a loved one's legacy or for a business to show their investment in their own community.

Director's Offices \$15,000 each
Staff Break Room \$50,000
Outdoor Playground for Child Watch \$100,000
Outdoor Playground for After School & Summer Camp \$100,000
Conference Room \$100,000
Aerobics Studio \$150,000
YMCA Lobby \$250,000
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Currently on schedule, the YMCA has plans to open in Summer 2024!



Show your support for the Walton County YMCA with our colorful "I Support My YMCA" yard signs!
Contact Rebekah at rebekah@gapiedmontymca.org to get your yard sign.

Find Your Reason Y

Youth Development.

At the Y, we believe all children have incredible potential. That's why our programs will focus on enrichment activities that promote leadership, exploration, curiosity, physical activities and social-emotional skills.

Healthy Living.

Your new Walton County YMCA will be at the forefront of delivering health and wellness programming that benefits people of all ages—supporting the specific health needs of people with chronic conditions, individuals with physical challenges and the increasing number of seniors in our community.

Social Responsibility.

We believe that all people deserve the opportunity to thrive regardless of race, religion, socioeconomic status, gender, age or ability. We are committed to responding to our communities' needs and inspiring a spirit of service.

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Make a difference in the lives of your neighbors by sharing and furthering the mission of the YMCA.

Visit our website at https://gapiedmontymca.org/waiton if you would like to be a part of bringing the YMCA to Waiton County!



BUILDING A HEALTHIER WALTON FILL THE POOL FUNDRAISER

AUGUST 2023

LET'S FILL THE POOL AND IMPROVE OUR COMMUNITY!

The Walton County YMCA project continues to make huge strides as we near the finish line of fundraising. Each day, community support grows stronger as the site is prepared for building the YMCA.



With over \$13.5 million of \$15 million raised, the YMCA Board of Directors are excited to launch our Fill the Pool Fundraiser. With this initiative, our goal is to bring awareness to the life-changing programs and services that will be offered through aquatics and so much more at the new YMCA. With plans to construct two pools that will hold approximately 300,000 gallons of water, "filling the pool" with donations equals \$5 per gallon to reach our goal. Today, we are inviting the community of Walton to join us in giving gifts of any size to complete our fundraising. The only question is: how many gallons will you give?



WHERE COMMUNITY COMES TOGETHER









**FALLING **INTO PLACE



IT'S OFFICIAL—PHASE II IS READY TO GO

Just in time for Christmas, the Walton County YMCA has approved the next phase of construction to begin—the building! Our Board of Directors and CEO have authorized the next stage in this construction journey and vertical construction will be visible soon at the site of the future YMCA. With this go ahead from our leaders, the YMCA looks forward to a busy year in 2024 and plans to open by early 2025.

We are so grateful for the support of the greater Walton community and can not wait to open our doors to all who wish to build a strong mind, body and spirit at the Y. Donations will continue to be accepted for this project as it progresses. Donors who give \$1,000 or more will be commemorated on the Donor Wall, which will be placed prominently in the YMCA lobby once it opens. Naming opportunities are available as well to honor loved ones or businesses within the YMCA.