

BACK TO THE POOL

FORWARD
AS A COMMUNITY



“WHERE WAS THE MAINTENANCE PLAN?”

“THIS BREAKS MY HEART.”

“MY GRANDFATHER MADE SURE IT WAS
FUNDED FOR 50 YEARS. LET’S DO IT AGAIN.”

“LET’S GET THE POOL BACK
—AND BETTER.”



DONATE
NOW!

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WHY THIS MATTERS

The YMCA pool has always been more than just water. It was where Quincy kids learned to swim, where friendships formed, and where generations found their rhythm. **For over 50 years, it's been a centerpiece of wellness, connection, and growth.**

Its closure was difficult but necessary—decades of wear, outdated systems, and structural concerns made it unsafe. But now, we have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to reopen it and reimagine it. This isn't just about repairs. It's about restoring a vital piece of our community's heart.

With over **\$1 million** already pledged, we're building on a strong foundation of community belief and support. This campaign is about more than bricks and mortar—it's about **honoring those who came before us, harnessing the momentum we've already created, and ensuring the YMCA remains a place that belongs to everyone in Quincy**. Every gift, whether large or small, brings us one step closer to a stronger, more connected future for all.

This campaign is about more than swimming. It's about restoring a place where people gather, grow, and belong. Let's rebuild a pool. Let's re-center the Y. **Let's do something extraordinary together!**



1. Purpose & Vision

- Rebuild and Reimagine: The campaign isn't just about repairs—it's about reestablishing a community hub. The new pool facility will serve as a symbol of wellness, connection, and inclusive growth for Quincy.
- Generational Impact: The YMCA pool has shaped lives for over 50 years. This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity to preserve its legacy and ensure its future for the next 50.

2. Project Scope

- Full Pool Renovation: Modern and safe design to meet community needs.
- Roof & HVAC Replacement: Infrastructure updates for long-term functionality.
- New Amenities:
 - Hot Tub – Relaxation and therapeutic use
 - Cold Tub – Recovery and wellness
 - Co-ed Sauna – Inclusive health and wellness

3. Fundraising Progress

- \$1,000,000+ Already Pledged: A testament to community belief and momentum.
- Campaign Phases:
 - January–June: Grassroots & community fundraising
 - July: Official public campaign launch
 - August–December: Targeting major donors and corporate partnerships

4. Project Timeline

- Summer 2026: Construction scheduled to begin
- Current phase: Public outreach and donation mobilization

5. Key Messages for Donor Engagement

“Why Now?”

- The former pool was closed due to safety hazards, outdated systems, and structural concerns.
- While difficult, closing the pool was the right call at the time to protect our members and assess long-term solutions.
- Today, we are better prepared—with momentum & planning to do this campaign the right way.
- Further delay would risk losing a central pillar of the YMCA experience in Quincy.

“Why Me?”

- Every gift matters. No matter the size, every donation helps rebuild a community space that serves all ages and abilities.

“Should We Have Closed the Pool?”

- Yes. Given the safety concerns and infrastructure failures, it was the right decision at the time.
- It allowed leadership to pause, reassess, and build a strategy that will ensure the new aquatic facility is both visionary and sustainable.

“How Will It Be Sustainable?”

- A portion of campaign funds will launch an Aquatics Endowment Fund.
- The \$5 million campaign goal includes funding to seed this endowment, ensuring long-term operational support and sustainability of the aquatic center.
- This strategic planning ensures that the new pool won't just reopen—it will thrive for generations.

“You Spoke. We Listened. We're Ready.”

- Our community's voice has been clear—and we heard you. From concerns to encouragement, your input has shaped every step of this journey. After thoughtful planning, strategic alignment, and groundwork laid behind the scenes, we're proud to say: we're ready to launch the campaign that will bring the pool—and so much more—back to life. The \$5 million campaign goal includes funding to seed this endowment, ensuring long-term operational support and sustainability of the aquatic center.