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## YWCA Greater Cincinnati Announces New Executive Team Members

CINCINNATI (For Immediate Release) – YWCA Greater Cincinnati is pleased to announce the appointment of two new executive team members. Kat Steiner and René J. Cheatham III have been appointed to the executive team at YWCA Greater Cincinnati as the Chief Development Officer and Chief Financial Officer, respectively.

“We are excited to welcome Kat and René to the team,” said **Rickell Howard Smith**, President and CEO of YWCA of Greater Cincinnati. “The YWCA has a bold mission and vision to lead the charge toward a more equitable region – now and in the future. With this talent, we are positioned to support our clients and the region more than ever before.”

Steiner served as interim Chief Impact Officer at the YWCA for the past several months. She has 20 years of development experience in higher education and national nonprofits including the American Red Cross, Girl Scouts, and most recently Meals on Wheels. She is an internationally accredited Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE). Steiner will focus on building philanthropic support to advance YWCA’s transformative growth strategy, including expansion of emergency shelter for domestic violence survivors and racial justice and advocacy programs. Steiner received her MA in Higher Education Administration from Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio.



Cheatham joins the YWCA with extensive finance leadership experience in a variety of industries, including nonprofit, corporate, and government sectors – previously serving as CFO of Learning Grove, Hamilton County Clerk of Courts, and Director of Finance and Operations of Findlay Market. Cheatham will lead YWCA’s financial activities, including tactical long-term financial planning to support expansion of services to families in the region. Cheatham received his MBA in Finance from Norwich University, is a Cincinnati native, and avid Cincinnati sports fan.



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### **About the YWCA of Greater Cincinnati**

*Founded in 1868 as the fifth YWCA association in the United States, YWCA of Greater Cincinnati is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all. The agency was at the forefront of racial justice advocacy in the region, establishing the first integrated cafeteria in Cincinnati in the 1950s. Since the 1970s, YWCA has provided direct services to families surviving intimate partner violence and operates the only domestic violence survivor shelter serving Hamilton, Clermont, Brown and Adams counties. The organization executes its mission through programming and advocacy that advances the health and safety for women and girls, women's economic empowerment, and gender and racial equity in the Greater Cincinnati area. Learn more at .*