



Dear Friends and Supporters,

As we navigate a world marked by uncertainty, change, and challenges, I want to take a moment to reaffirm the commitment of YWCA Greater Charleston to the people and communities we serve. Every day, we work to address disparities in our community and systems in all areas.

Recent national events and federal decisions—such as budget cuts and executive orders targeting nonprofit funding—have placed tremendous pressure on organizations like ours. These threats to the resources we rely on to serve our community are concerning. Yet, I want to assure you that we remain steadfast in our dedication to supporting women and youth, strengthening families and supporting all who rely on us during these uncertain times.

At YWCA Greater Charleston, we remain focused on what truly matters: the empowerment and support of women, youth, and families with a focus on addressing disparities, not on divisive rhetoric or distractions. We are here for ALL people who need us, without hesitation or exception.

While we face a shifting landscape, we take heart in the strength and resilience of our community. Together, we will continue to move forward, finding new ways to innovate, collaborate, and adapt. The need for our services is as great as ever, and we are committed to meeting those needs—no matter the challenges that lie ahead.

We are deeply grateful for your continued support and for the trust you place in us. We cannot do this work alone, and we are honored to stand beside you as we build a more just and compassionate world for all. Thank you for being part of the YWCA Greater Charleston family. Together, we will continue to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those who need it most.

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With optimism and gratitude,

LaVanda Brown  
CEO, YWCA Greater Charleston