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### Downtown Resident Joins YMCA

Toni Miles has recently joined the YMCA of Greater Cincinnati as the organization's executive director of the Black Achievers Program.

Prior to her new position, Ms. Miles was the development director for Dress for Success. She moved to Cincinnati from Boston where her career path had been focused in the corporate sector. As a graduate of Leadership Cincinnati, when her personal goals shifted, she knew her skills would be of value to non-profit organizations and human interest causes. Ms. Miles has since served on numerous local Boards. She is currently pursuing a second degree in theology while working for the YMCA.

"I'm eager to help the Black Achievers Program to grow and impact more young lives," said Ms. Miles. Among her goals are to expand the effort community-wide to impact more than 500 students and prepare them for post secondary education. She also wants to sustain a strong working group of community and business volunteers.

Through the Black Achievers Program, outstanding adult professionals help to inspire and mentor youth on a path toward success. The June 22 Salute to Black Achievers Banquet provides financial and human capital for a year-round teen program focused on college readiness, academic achievement and career development. Adult Achiever honorees are expected to work with the Black Achievers Program to serve middle and high school students in Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky communities.

#### **About the YMCA of Greater Cincinnati**

One out of three Americans reports being a YMCA member at some point in his or her life. The 153-year old YMCA of Greater Cincinnati is the area's largest not-for-profit community service organization, serving 43,000 kids, 52,000 families, and 14,000 teens through a broad range of programs, including mentoring, youth leadership, and volunteerism through community outreach initiatives that promote the character values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility. The YMCA of Greater Cincinnati is also the Tri-state's largest provider of childcare, serving people of all faiths, races, ages and incomes. Financial assistance is available for all YMCA programs and membership. Visit [www.myy.org](http://www.myy.org) to learn more about the YMCA of Greater Cincinnati.

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