



CENTRAL YMCA UPDATE

This is a follow up to our last communication sent out on July 15, 2011 to Central YMCA members regarding the possible sale of the 60-year old Central YMCA facility. As we said in our earlier communications, our goal is to keep you as informed as possible about your membership and the future of this YMCA Branch.

Again, the Metro Board of Directors and senior management staff of the YMCA of Honolulu recognize and appreciate the important role that Central Y has had in the community over many decades. We will continue to keep you updated as more information becomes available. Thank you for your patience and support.

Previous Communication – July 15, 2011 (edited)

First of all, we are deeply grateful that so many of you feel strongly about the Central Y and have been loyal and committed members. We appreciate the positive comments about the virtues and benefits of the Central Y -- convenience, services, programs, equipment, staff, and the impact on the community's families and children.

In regards to the sale, the YMCA Metropolitan Board of Directors and management have extensively looked at a variety of options for several years. Renovating is still one option, although the reality is that the condition and age of the current facility might make renovating it economically impractical. In addition, the escalating cost of maintaining this aging facility and for providing parking to our members has made it difficult for the Branch to remain financially viable. Our intent is to select a plan that will continue to serve the valued members of the Central Branch and be economically feasible for the YMCA and our Association.

Latest Development

On July 26, 2011, certain members of the YMCA Metropolitan Board of Directors and management met with different prospects. Based on those presentations, the YMCA of Honolulu is beginning discussions with one of the developers about building a new YMCA on the Atkinson site. However, things are very preliminary at this stage. If, and when, an agreement is reached, we will inform Central members and staff.

Where can I go for more information?

- YMCA of Honolulu website at www.ymcahonolulu.org/locations/central
- You may also contact: Mike Doss, YMCA Chief Operating Officer at 671-6495 or mdoss@ymcahonolulu.org.

Thank you again for your support of the Central YMCA and the YMCA of Honolulu. We are glad that you are a part of our YMCA community.