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UT-Battelle and ORNL Gift Over \$13,000 to YWCA Progress

Oak Ridge, Tenn. (March 9, 2019) – The YWCA Knoxville and the Tennessee Valley is pleased to announce two contributions totaling \$13,000 from UT-Battelle, the managing contractor of Oak Ridge National Laboratory, and Oak Ridge National Laboratory’s Black History Month Committee. These contributions are dedicated to the domestic violence programs and services that the YWCA offers to victims in Oak Ridge and Anderson County.

“UT-Battelle is committed to being a strong partner in our community, prioritizing STEM education, economic development, and volunteerism through multiple programs, initiatives, and corporate investments,” said ORNL Community Relations Manager Wade Creswell. “We are pleased to provide this gift to help support YWCA’s ongoing efforts to address needs across our community that we may never know about otherwise.”

In addition to the UT-Battelle gift, YWCA was selected by ORNL’s Black History Month committee to receive the proceeds of its annual fundraising efforts. The \$3000 donation was raised through employee-organized activities such as the committee’s Soul Food Tasting event.

With contributions from dedicated Oak Ridgers and cornerstones in the Oak Ridge community such as UT-Battelle and ORNL, the YWCA can ensure that victims are being served in a safe and secure environment.

For more information about YWCA programs or how you can help, visit www.ywcaknox.com or contact Karlyn Reel at 865-523-6126.

About the YWCA Knoxville & the Tennessee Valley

The YWCA Knoxville and the Tennessee Valley is a nonprofit social-service agency focused on empowerment, justice, and dignity for all. The YWCA, whose mission is to eliminate racism and empower women, serves over 20,000 clients and families annually through youth programming, women’s housing, advocacy for victims of domestic violence, and health and wellness opportunities. Service areas in East Tennessee include Anderson, Blount, Knox, Loudon, Roane and Sevier counties.

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