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## Fort Worth Downtown YMCA Rooftop Upgraded with New Solar Power System Donated by Reliant Energy

## System will help YMCA lower energy usage and cost, positively impact environment

HOUSTON —With help from Reliant Energy the Amon G. Carter, Jr. Downtown YMCA in Fort Worth will harness the sun's power to save energy and lower electricity costs, as well as reduce its impact on the environment. Reliant Energy is making donation to cover the YMCA's cost of installing a 10-kilowatt solar power system on its roof.

"We wanted to share the benefits of solar energy with the YMCA, including saving money on energy costs, to help advance the important work it does in the community with local neighborhoods and families," said Jason Few, Reliant Energy President. "The location of this rooftop solar system, in the heart of Fort Worth, will help show how we can think differently about how we use energy as we work together for a more sustainable future."

"We are thrilled to be receiving this donation from Reliant Energy," said Tony Shuman, President and CEO, YMCA of Metropolitan Fort Worth. "The solar panels will help us reduce our carbon footprint, reduce our energy usage and cost and help our families learn about renewable energy. These savings can be put right back into our programs and services, allowing us to involve more people and make a greater impact in our community."

Representatives from Reliant and the YMCA announced the donation before the June 21 Texas Rangers game at The Ballpark in Arlington. On the same day, the company launched Reliant Solar Solutions, which provides new options for customers who want the benefits of home solar electricity without the upfront costs of owning a rooftop solar system. For more information, visit <u>www.reliant.com/solar</u>.

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