YWCA LOWER CAPE FEAR HOSTS FIRST YOUTH-FOCUSED POTLUCK FOR PEACE

WILMINGTON, N.C.— The YWCA Lower Cape Fear will hold their first youth-led and youth-focused Potluck for Peace, a quarterly dinner and discussion series that bring community members together to engage in an open dialogue about race relations and how to influence peaceful change in the community. The upcoming Potluck for Peace will take place at the DREAMS Garage on Thursday, July 19, from 6 pm to 8 pm.

Guest facilitator Mina Yakubu will lead the evening’s discussion on how the next generation of leaders sees the teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Six Steps to Nonviolent Social Change. Yakubu is a 2017 New Hanover High School graduate and 2017 Women of Achievement Young Leader Scholarship recipient. She is a Morehead-Cain and Jack Kent Cooke Scholar, enrolled at UNC Chapel Hill. Mina is also a member of Michelle Obama’s "Better Make Room" Student Advisory Board.

The previous two Potluck events held this year have focused on the topic of Dr. King’s Six Steps to Nonviolent Social Change, with largely adult audiences discussing the impact of these teachings over the past 50 years. The focus of this Potluck will be to engage the youth in our community in this dialogue, and invite them to share their perspective on how to achieve peaceful change in our area.

The YWCA Lower Cape Fear invites elementary, middle, and high school aged children and young adults to attend. All community members are welcome. Those planning to attend should bring one three items to share: a salad, a pizza, or a dessert. Beverages have been generously donated by the Coca Cola Bottling Company, Consolidated.

Services provided by the program support the YWCA Lower Cape Fear’s mission to eliminate racism and empower women. For more information on the Potluck for Peace series, the YWCA and its mission and programs, please visit www.ywca-lowercapefear.org/potluck.

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About the YWCA Lower Cape Fear
The YWCA Lower Cape Fear is on a mission to eliminate racism, empower women, stand up for social justice, help families, and strengthen our community. YWCA Lower Cape Fear has a 104-year history in Wilmington, and is part of an international movement serving over 2 million in the United States and 25 million worldwide. For comprehensive information about this important work, go to ywca-lowercapefear.org