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**CHATTANOOGA WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE ANNOUNCES NEW BOARD CHAIR, FIVE
NEW BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2019**

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. (January 30, 2019) – Kim Shumpert, Executive Director of [Chattanooga Women's Leadership Institute](http://ChattanoogaWomen'sLeadershipInstitute.org) (CWLI) is pleased to announce Janet Dunn, President & CEO of YMCA Metropolitan Chattanooga, as the Chair of the 2019 Board of Directors. CWLI has also added five new board members including Karen Estes, a Senior Graphic Designer at the Tennessee Aquarium; Mary Edwards, Grant Writer for the Chambliss Center for Children; Gina Dhanani, Chief Operating Office of the Double Cola Company; Stacy Johnson, CEO & Executive Director of La Paz Chattanooga, and Emily Ramsey, Vice President of J. Smith Lanier.

Janet Dunn has worked for the YMCA for over 30 years. Dunn is the first female CEO in the 147-year history of the YMCA of Metropolitan Chattanooga. Dunn holds a BS degree from Kent State University in Kent, OH. In addition to serving as the 2019 Board Chair for Chattanooga Women's Leadership Institute; she is also a board member for the Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce, The Partnership for Families, Children and Adults, Parkridge Health System, and the YMCA State Alliance of Tennessee.

"It is an honor and privilege to lead the board of such a highly respected organization as CWLI. I look forward to a year of discovery as the board supports the efforts of this organization. Together we can change our community and the impact the women in our membership make will be felt for years to come," said Dunn.

For more information about CWLI, including partnership opportunities call 423-394-8173 or email Kim Shumpert at kim@cwli.org and Alese Taylor at alese@cwli.org. Special thanks to our 2019 corporate partners First Tennessee Bank, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Tennessee - Community Trust, Elliott Davis, and The Trust Company.

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About the Chattanooga Women's Leadership Institute (CWLI)

With more than 600 members, the Chattanooga Women's Leadership Institute is a premiere training and networking nonprofit organization, whose mission is to increase the leadership skills and influence of women in the Chattanooga community. For more information about CWLI, visit <http://cwli.org/>.