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Dear Friends,

Your support has allowed Friends of Rockbridge Swimming, Inc. to improve our facility in so many ways. Recently we have completed the following repairs and enhancements that make a better and safer aquatic facility:

- Added an emergency generator to keep the facility operating during electrical power outages
- Replaced our mechanical control systems and added redundant backups to minimize facility closures due to equipment problems
- Resurfaced the pool with new plaster and replaced underwater lights
- Installed new wall surfacing and non-slip floors in the showers and locker rooms
- Upgraded the exhaust/heat recovery/fresh air filtration system
- Replaced the rear entrance door with a revolving door that provides not only a safer emergency exit but also a link to the outside yard area and access to a future addition

Our focus now has turned to reducing our energy consumption and operating costs by taking advantage of advances in electric heat pump technology which will allow us to use electric air-to-water heat pumps coupled with solar panels instead of natural gas boilers to generate the hot water required to:

- maintain the pool water at 83 degrees,
- heat the radiant floors and showers in the locker rooms
- heat the air inside the dome.

We will continue to use natural gas to power our recently installed Emergency Generator and our existing gas boilers will be kept in service as backup systems.

We have received a proposal for the installation of a series of solar panel arrays that would supply most of our electrical needs. We are exploring several very good grant opportunities. As we continue this process of improving our facility and services, we hope you will consider contributing to our campaign.

Donations may be mailed to the address above, dropped off on your next visit, or you can donate on our website at [www.rockbridgeswims.org](http://www.rockbridgeswims.org). We look forward to continuing to serve your aquatics health and fitness needs in 2023. Thank you again for your continued support. See you at the pool!

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