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## **Media availability with sitting volleyball teammates and Paralympic silver medalists Heather Erickson and Kaleo Kanahale at the Edmond YMCA on Nov. 29**

Sitting volleyball teammates Heather Erickson and Kaleo Kanahale recently led Team USA to a silver medal at the London 2012 Paralympic Games, and now, they're committed to giving back through the United States Olympic Committee's Team for Tomorrow program. As part of Team for Tomorrow, Erickson and Kanahale will visit the Edmond YMCA on Thursday, Nov. 29.

Beginning at 4 p.m., Erickson and Kanahale will share their personal story with young people and also speak about the importance of living an active and healthy lifestyle. Following their presentation, they'll give a sitting volleyball demonstration and lead the participants in a physical activity.

This event, which is open to the media, will take place at the Edmond YMCA located at 1220 South Rankin Street in Edmond, Okla. Both Erickson and Kanahale will be available for interviews at the conclusion of the program.

The USOC launched Team for Tomorrow in 2008 in partnership with U.S. Olympians and Paralympians to provide a vehicle through which U.S. athletes can offer their assistance and support to those in need around the world, as well as a means to continue spreading the Olympic Values of excellence, friendship and respect. Through this initiative, U.S. athletes offer assistance and support in the form of donations, volunteerism, disaster recovery support, advocacy and other contributions to communities.

For more information on the U.S. Olympic Committee's Team for Tomorrow program, visit [TeamUSA.org](http://TeamUSA.org).

- WHAT** Team for Tomorrow presentation and sitting volleyball demonstration
- WHO** [Heather Erickson](#) – 2008, 2012 Paralympic silver medalist in sitting volleyball  
[Kaleo Kanahale](#) – 2012 Paralympic silver medalist in sitting volleyball
- WHEN** Thursday, Nov. 29 – program begins at 4 p.m.
- WHERE** Edmond YMCA  
1220 S Rankin Street  
Edmond, OK 73034
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