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# A Message from the CEO

As I approach my four-year anniversary as CEO of YWCA BC, I find myself reflecting on the incredible momentum we've experienced as an organization. With passion and dedication from employees, volunteers, board members and donors, we are seeing lasting change in our community.

One significant milestone we celebrated at the start of this year was the official launch of our new name: YWCA BC. This name change reflects who we've become and where we're going. Already, we have programs and services for participants outside Metro Vancouver including in Prince George, Kelowna and the Fraser Valley. We can't wait to see what new opportunities arise to advance equity through action with our new name.

As a leadership team, we're also taking time to reflect on our 2024 to 2029 Strategic Plan, now that we're nearing the midway point. I'm extremely proud of the work the organization has done to advance this strategy. We also know a lot has changed in our political, economic and social landscapes since this plan was first created. With that, we've committed to reaffirming our key priorities to ensure we are serving communities in the best way possible.

Through these pages, you'll read about some of the practical ways our Strategic Plan is coming to life. You'll read more about the conclusion of this current phase of YWCA City Shift and its incredible Participant-Centred Advocacy Council. You'll hear stories from two of our new employment programs and about the work we're doing to address food insecurity in our community. You'll also get updates from our two amazing revenue-generating social enterprises: Hotel Willo and the YWCA Health & Fitness Club.

I remain incredibly grateful to the YWCA employees, volunteers, board members and donors who make this work possible.

Thank you for your commitment to advancing gender equity together.



**Erin Seeley**  
CEO, YWCA BC



# ‘A place to truly call home’: YWCA Housing



YWCA BC VP of Housing and Violence Prevention Lisa Rupert, Ishtar Executive Director Julia Boyle Davidson, BC Minister of Housing Christine Boyle and Donald Mackenzie of 625 Powell Street Foundation at an event celebrating the opening of three new YWCA housing communities.

Safe, affordable housing remains out of reach for many single mothers and their children in British Columbia, especially for those leaving violence. But through a partnership with BC Housing's Women's Transition Housing Fund, 125 families now have access to stable homes after the opening of three new YWCA housing communities.

YWCA Left Field and YWCA Harbour Grove, in Vancouver, are close to parks, public transportation, grocery stores and recreation services.

YWCA Peggy Mackenzie Terrace in Langley is also conveniently located near schools and green spaces. The community is named after 625 Powell Street Foundation Director Donald Mackenzie's mother. The 625 Powell Street Foundation has supported the YWCA in building affordable housing throughout the region.

"Intimate partner violence is one of the leading causes of homelessness for women," said YWCA BC CEO Erin Seeley. "When we provide stable, affordable housing for women and children, we're supporting their long-term safety and overall well-being."

YWCA Left Field and YWCA Peggy Mackenzie Terrace both offer long-term units at rent geared to

income rates. YWCA Harbour Grove offers temporary, second-stage transition housing. All homes are for women and children leaving violence.

YWCA BC staff will provide onsite wraparound support as well as connections to YWCA programs to support personal and economic well-being.

"Finding the support of the YWCA allowed me to become independent and to build a new life with my two daughters," said Sandra, a YWCA Housing resident. "For the first time in a long time, we had a place we could truly call home."

With these openings, YWCA BC now operates 21 housing communities across the Lower Mainland. Even so, the need for stable housing remains critical in our communities, with more than 1,000 families applying to be on our waitlist each year.

To address this urgent need, we are continually pursuing new housing options and new partnerships. Our Housing Action Fund enables us to respond quickly when these opportunities arise and accelerate early project activities.

**To find out how you can support the YWCA Housing Action Fund, visit [ywcabc.org/housing-action-fund](http://ywcabc.org/housing-action-fund) or reach out to Shantal Cashman at [scashman@ywcabc.org](mailto:scashman@ywcabc.org) or 604 895 5859.**

# Bringing Quality Child Care Closer to Home



Children playing with an Early Childhood Educator at a YWCA BC early learning and child care centre.

Since 1981, YWCA BC has owned and operated child care and early learning centres. Over the years, child care has grown into one of our advocacy pillars as we know increasing access to quality, affordable child care has lasting impact for families.

Today, we are witnessing something unprecedented in the child care landscape: intentional, long-term housing with licensed child care spaces attached. With this thoughtful advancement, we are excited to open our first child care centre in 30 years at YWCA Cindy Beedie Place, one of our newest housing communities in Burnaby.

This new child care centre will serve 37 new families with priority placement offered to families living at YWCA Cindy Beedie Place, bringing YWCA BC's total licensed spaces to 134. Of the 134 spaces, 84 spaces are designated as infant toddler.

We have been licensed and have applied for the provincial Child Care Operating Funding, Early Childhood Educator Wage Enhancement and

Child Care Fee Reduction, all of which will help us cover some operational costs and reduce family fees. Once we have been approved, we will start the registration process. We hope to be operational in early June, and more details will be available at [ywcabc.org](http://ywcabc.org).

We are grateful to Cindy Beedie, who inspired and envisioned this project seven years ago and to the Rock'n the Park attendees who generously donated to this project. We also recognize the contributions of BC Housing's Women's Transition Housing Fund, ChildCareBC's New Spaces Fund, City of Burnaby and an anonymous donor. We are thankful to NSDA Architects and VanMar Contractors Inc. who made this 58,893 square foot residential space and 4,873 square foot child care space a reality!

**For information on how you can support our free, drop-in child care centre at YWCA Crabtree Corner on Vancouver's Downtown Eastside, please contact Josh Hardwick at 604 895 5823 or [jhardwick@ywcabc.org](mailto:jhardwick@ywcabc.org).**

# Women’s Microenterprise Collective: Turning Creativity into Opportunity

A new program developed in partnership between YWCA Crabtree Corner and the YWCA Employment Navigator program is supporting women entrepreneurs to grow their creative talents into craft-based businesses. The Women’s Microenterprise Collective is designed to support women facing systemic barriers, particularly those parenting alone who may be unemployed, underemployed or receiving income subsidies.

This new program focuses on practical skill building, mentorship and community connection. Participants learn how to turn their ideas into viable small businesses by developing budgets, conducting market research, producing inventory and building confidence in marketing and selling their handmade goods. Throughout the program, women also have opportunities to participate in local craft fairs and community events, gaining real-world experience.

“When I learned about this program, I felt it had been created with a deep understanding of what people actually need when starting out,” one participant, who is exploring several craft ideas including bleached T-shirts, watercolour postcards and acrylic paintings, said. “It’s a perfect opportunity to meet people who are going through the same process and learn how

to achieve our goals in a friendly and supportive environment.”

The goal of the Microenterprise Collective is to help women take the first steps toward entrepreneurship in a collaborative environment.

“It looked like a supportive program that would take into consideration that I’m a woman with disabilities and looking for a way to monetize my arts and crafts,” one participant shared, when asked why she joined the Microenterprise Collective. “I had always been interested in the idea but didn’t know where to begin. A small group of like-minded women felt like a gentle and welcoming way to start building a craft-based business.”

For many participants, the program is about more than business. It is also about creativity, confidence and community. Together, these women are working toward the shared goal of launching their own artistic ventures—supporting, encouraging and inspiring one another along the way.

**For more information on how you can support the Women’s Microenterprise Collective, contact Josh Hardwick at 604 895 5823 or [jhardwick@ywcabc.org](mailto:jhardwick@ywcabc.org).**



Facilitator and members of the YWCA Women’s Microenterprise Collective.

# The Financial Impact of Gender-Based Violence in BC

When women experience gender-based violence, it impacts their safety, health, relationships, finances, living situation, work and sense of self. The impact on an individual is far-reaching, infiltrating many aspects of their daily lives.

The impact of gender-based violence on our communities is similar. It reduces labour productivity, destabilizes families, and increases pressure on health care, policing, justice and housing sectors. We also know that gender-based violence affects our economy, so we decided to look into just how significant that financial impact is.

*The Cost of Inaction: Measuring the Economic Impact of Gender-Based Violence in BC*, conducted by economist and public policy expert Robin Shaban through funding from The Houssian Foundation and SPARC BC, revealed gender-based violence costs BC \$1.12 billion each year. As data on gender-based violence is extremely limited, this is a conservative estimate, and the costs are likely much higher.

While prevention has its own cost, it's significantly less. Our report shows that community and social programs aimed at preventing gender-based violence average \$1,000 per person, compared to \$15,000 per sexual-assault investigation. That amount doesn't even cover costs to legal systems, health care, employers or survivors themselves.

The provincial government did acknowledge gender-based violence is an epidemic and systemic crisis last fall. But when Budget 2026 was released earlier this year, no new funding was allocated to address it. With communities and governments facing challenging economic times, investing in prevention instead of reaction to gender-based violence is a smart financial decision.

At YWCA BC, we support survivors of gender-based violence through many of our programs and services. We offer safe transitional housing, child care, employment programs, legal assistance, mentorship, support groups and so much more. We're also passionate about advocating for systemic change to address gender-based violence at its root.

**For more information about our report and how you can support our advocacy work, contact Shauna Shortt at [sshortt@ywcabc.org](mailto:sshortt@ywcabc.org) or 604 613 2485.**



# Supporting BC Youth on their Employment Journeys



People accessing YWCA BC employment services.

Youth across British Columbia continue to face significant challenges when looking for a job. Many youth aged 16 to 30 navigate limited work experience, lack of financial resources, gaps in education or skills, and the impact of trauma or systemic inequities.

YWCA NextStep Youth Program funded by BC's Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction is a free, 12-week employment and life skills program designed to support youth as they build confidence and employment skills while gaining hands-on experience. Through a blend of group workshops, one-to-one support, a community project as well as certifications, participants have opportunities to receive individualized guidance tailored to their needs. This unique approach supports youth to realize their career or educational goals.

"The YWCA NextStep program has given me many useful tools to help me in my future, such as providing the resolve to get back into the job market and giving me the knowledge to pursue

the proper education I need to become a digital media specialist," shared one participant from Port Coquitlam.

There is significant need in our communities for programs that provide youth with trauma-informed, skill-based training. In fact, NextStep has expanded from two in-person locations to four, with cohorts now offered in Langley and Kelowna in addition to Port Coquitlam and Prince George. To further meet this growing demand and support youth across the province, NextStep has also increased the number of virtual cohorts available to ensure even more young people can participate regardless of where they live.

As the program expands, its impact is clear: NextStep supports youth in their employment journey and empowers them to envision and pursue a future filled with possibility.

**For more information on our youth employment programs, please contact Kathy Lilyholm at [klilyholm@ywcabc.org](mailto:klilyholm@ywcabc.org) or 604 895 5851.**



## Celebrating YWCA City Shift and the Power of Advocacy Alongside Community

At YWCA BC, we know that creating lasting change for women and families means more than advocating on their behalf. Real systems change happens when we advocate alongside them.

“If I can be a voice for somebody, if one idea I have helps make any kind of change, that would be worth it,” says one former Advocacy Council Member.

On March 12, community partners, decision-makers, staff and supporters gathered at Simon Fraser University Harbour Centre to celebrate the conclusion of this current phase of City Shift, YWCA BC’s initiative to help build a more equitable, prosperous and just region. The evening was a chance to reflect on the project’s milestones, honour the relationships built along the way, and look ahead to the work still to come.

A highlight of the event was celebrating YWCA BC’s first Peer-Centred Advocacy Council, made up of alumni from YWCA Single Mothers’ Support Services.

Over 15 months, council members came together to build advocacy skills, share their lived expertise, and help shape strategies on issues affecting their lives, including gender-based violence and access to justice. The council was designed as a pilot model that could inform future advocacy efforts at YWCA BC and beyond.

The wrap-up event featured remarks from YWCA leadership, a look back at key City Shift milestones, a screening of the trailer for our documentary produced with 3 Crows Productions, and a moving panel discussion with council members. Together, these moments illustrated the power of peer-centred advocacy: when women most affected by inequity are supported to lead, their voices can shape stronger, more responsive systems.

While the Peer-Centred Advocacy Council may have concluded, the message of the evening was clear: this work does not end here.



Peer-Centred Advocacy Council members speak on a panel at the YWCA City Shift wrap-up event.



**I 100% agree that this kind of peer-centred advocacy council can work. We can take what we've learned and the changes we want to make and apply them in so many ways. That's what's so great about the template: you can adapt this program to your own city or even another organization. The way it's structured – from scheduling to child care to food – is all laid out for you. All you need is the commitment to attend.**

- Advocacy Council Member

The Peer-Centred Advocacy Council was created as part of YWCA BC's City Shift project to empower participants with the skills, knowledge and support needed to influence policy, raise awareness and advocate for systemic change. As a pilot initiative, the council brought together alumni from YWCA Single Mothers' Support Services to help shape advocacy priorities grounded in lived experience.

From the beginning, the council was intentionally designed to reduce barriers to participation. Planning included considerations such as child care, honoraria, transit support, scheduling and staff support, helping ensure members could participate fully. The council also combined advocacy training, strategy development and community-building, creating space for members to strengthen their skills while shaping collective goals.

YWCA City Shift is generously funded by Women and Gender Equality Canada.

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# ‘Fabric of My Heart’: A Legacy Giving Story

Growing up in the beautiful Cowichan Valley shaped Karen Hoffmann’s deep sense of community and love of the outdoors. Although she left to attend university and build her career, she returned to retire in the place that first grounded her. Today, Karen is grateful to live close to her 95-year-old mother, to explore the surrounding trails and waters, and to spend time on fabric arts.

Community involvement has always been important to Karen. Today, she volunteers as a horse handler with the Cowichan Therapeutic Riding Association—a perfect fit for a lifelong horse lover—and with the Cowichan Family Caregivers Society. Supporting others, especially caregivers and families, feels like a natural extension of the values instilled in her upbringing.

For many years, Karen has been connected to YWCA BC—first as a member of the Health & Fitness Club and later as a board member. Serving on the board deepened her appreciation for the YWCA’s impact.

“Including the YWCA in my will was an easy decision. Over the years, its work has woven itself into the fabric of my heart,” she said “My parents arrived in Canada as immigrants with little more than determination and a strong work ethic. They gave back to their community in every way they could, and I hope to continue that legacy—helping ensure the YWCA remains strong, focused and responsive to the evolving needs of women and children for generations to come.”

YWCA Metro Vancouver is now YWCA British Columbia. Our charitable registration number remains the same. If your will currently lists YWCA Metro Vancouver as a beneficiary, no immediate updates are necessary. The name will still be legally recognized. When you next review your will, please ensure you update to our new legal name: YWCA British Columbia and include our charitable registration number 108 227 943 RR0001.



Karen Hoffmann.

**For more information on how to leave a gift in your will and will wording please visit: [ywcabc.org/leave-legacy](https://www.ywcabc.org/leave-legacy) or contact Vanessa Wellington-Clark at 604 376 2133 or [vwellington@ywcabc.org](mailto:vwellington@ywcabc.org).**

# How We're Addressing Food Insecurity



A meal is prepared at YWCA Crabtree Corner.

Every trip to the grocery store highlights just how much the cost of living is rising. In fact, data shows grocery prices have gone up more than 30% over the last five years. With more than 40% of families led by single moms experiencing food insecurity, YWCA BC is committed to supporting women and children through food-related programs and services.

The YWCA Rooftop Garden is an incredible example of how we're finding creative ways to combat rising food costs to support participants. Each year, the garden produces 1,200 pounds of fresh produce, which goes directly to YWCA Crabtree Corner's kitchen to create nutritious meals for the community. Twice each day, women and children can access a hot meal from Crabtree's kitchen.

Participants of some other YWCA programs also receive grocery store vouchers to mitigate the effects of high grocery costs. Additionally, a partnership with the Greater Vancouver Food Bank saw 8,000 pounds of fresh food donated to YWCA Cindy Beedie Place residents, including eggs, milk and produce.

The YWCA also offers Food, Facts and Fun, a food security program that provides practical nutrition education in a supportive, engaging group environment. Participants say they share recipes, traditions and grocery shopping tips with each other.

"I learned about vitamins and minerals, protein, fibre and how important they are," said one Food, Facts and Fun participant. "We made meals from all over the world and I got introduced to new cuisines and the history of the meals and how to prepare them."

Another participant shared the program supports her family's unique dietary needs.

"This program is very important to me and my daughter as we both have health issues and dietary needs that we cannot afford," she said. "I love this program and I have enjoyed being a part of it."

**For more information on how to support YWCA Crabtree Corner's Community Kitchen, contact Josh Hardwick at 604 895 5823 or [jhardwick@ywcabc.org](mailto:jhardwick@ywcabc.org).**

# Fitness is for Every Body

Fitness is inclusive and welcoming. It can give people a sense of purpose, belonging and community. At the YWCA Health & Fitness Club, we are proud to have a diverse community of members.

There are many activities and sports people can do to improve their physical and mental health. These include swimming, weights, yoga, dancing, pickleball, and more. We strive to make these offerings accessible to all, and Member Services is available to accommodate your needs.

Scott R. has been a member since 2010 and frequently uses the gym floor area and pool. He is blind and has a service dog named Kaleb. We asked Scott a few questions about his fitness journey:

## **What does accessibility in fitness and sports mean to you?**

It means having the opportunity to participate in fitness activities and areas comfortably and safely. It's being able to pursue my health and fitness goals with confidence.

## **What does true accessibility in fitness look like to you beyond the physical environment?**

The YWCA already does a great job with friendly and thoughtful staff who are willing to support me throughout the gym if I ask, and often on their own volition ... I greatly appreciate the staff and think it is the most important component of accessibility.

## **Are there any barriers that make it difficult for you or others to fully access a fitness centre?**

Speaking for myself as a blind person: I recognize full accommodation and accessibility for my needs without human support is very challenging to achieve, due to the nature of gym equipment, natural hazards associated with weights and machines, hard metal objects everywhere, and other members working out at the same time.

Everybody takes a different pathway before embarking on their fitness journey but are united

through strength and resilience. Fitness can be intimidating no matter past experiences or circumstances; however, it's the successes and rewards that make the training and sacrifices absolutely worth it.

**To join the YWCA Health & Fitness Club's gym or classes, contact [memberservices@ywcabc.org](mailto:memberservices@ywcabc.org) or call 604 895 5777.**



Scott R. (left) runs in the Vancouver Sun Run with YWCA Health & Fitness Club member Jaime C.

# A Fresh Chapter for Downtown Hospitality

For decades, the YWCA Hotel has welcomed travellers to downtown Vancouver as an affordable, community-minded place to stay. Over time, the hotel has grown into a modern destination, but its name often led to misconceptions. Some guests assumed it was exclusively for women or a short-term hostel.

Rebranded in late January, the hotel's new name, Hotel Willo, reflects the spirit of the hotel and YWCA BC's mission. Inspired by the willow tree, a symbol of resilience, growth and community, it represents welcome, connection and belonging. The single "w" gives the name a modern, approachable feel while staying rooted in meaning. A hotel with heart, its comfort, convenience and purpose make it the smartest choice for today's conscious traveller.

The rebrand allows the hotel to reach more travellers, strengthen recognition and share the hotel's story more clearly. It signals a refreshed identity while honouring the long-standing commitment to welcoming guests and serving the community.

Still located at 733 Beatty Street, across from BC Place and steps from Vancouver's top entertainment venues including Queen Elizabeth Theatre and Rogers Arena, Hotel Willo offers convenient access to downtown attractions, restaurants, transit and events. Guests enjoy comfortable, modern accommodations in a safe and community-focused environment where attention to hospitality meets purpose-driven impact.

What also hasn't changed is the hotel's mission. As a social enterprise hotel by YWCA BC, every stay directly supports programs for women, families and children. From housing and employment initiatives to supports for single mothers and women rebuilding their lives, Hotel Willo turns hospitality into impact.

The rebrand strengthens the hotel's ability to reach more guests while deepening its contribution to the community. Hotel Willo represents a new chapter, one that honours decades of community-minded service while building a vibrant, inclusive future for both visitors and the communities YWCA BC serves.



Front entrance of Hotel Willo on Vancouver's Beatty Street.

**For bookings or inquiries, visit [hotelwillo.com](https://hotelwillo.com) or contact Puspa Affandi at [paffandi@hotelwillo.com](mailto:paffandi@hotelwillo.com).**

# About YWCA BC

YWCA BC is a registered charity committed to advancing gender equity through our programs, advocacy and revenue-generating social enterprises. Guided by the needs of the people we serve, we empower and strengthen communities in our province through housing, child care, employment services, mentorship and more.

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EMPLOYMENT NAVIGATOR: 604 312 0483

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YWCA provides WorkBC employment services including job search resources, personal employment planning, training and more.

WorkBC North Vancouver: 106–980 West 1st Street, North Vancouver | 604 988 3766

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WorkBC Vancouver City Centre: 206 - 535 Thurlow Street, Vancouver | 604 872 0770

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WorkBC Coquitlam: 221 - 3030 Lincoln Avenue, Coquitlam | 778 730 0174

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### **CRABTREE CORNER COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE**

A welcoming centre for women and their families in the Downtown Eastside. Services include early learning and child care, transitional housing, food programs, single mothers' support group, grandparents' group, violence prevention programs, support for those living with FASD and more.

533 East Hastings Street | 604 216 1650

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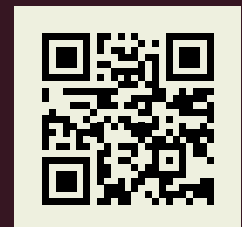
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