

Thank you for your continued support.

HOPE Lives Here

Construction on our transitional housing wing has progressed significantly since breaking ground in September. Framing is complete with the exterior sealed off and insulation, mechanical, and electrical work is currently underway. This expansion will more than double our capacity to support women and families in Saskatoon.

We are 92% of the way of reaching our \$19 million fundraising goal. Help us get there today by donating at ywcaskatoon.com/support/donate or keep reading to find ways to support.



Ways to Support Hope Lives Here



Buy tickets to win Sunny and all of her contents or a \$25,000 cash prize!

Sunny the She-Shed Raffle

Imagine a cozy escape, just steps from your door, where you can unwind and recharge. Sunny the She-Shed, is here to make that dream a reality. Saskatoon & Region Home Builders' Association is raffling off Sunny in support of our Hope Lives Here Campaign.

Not your style? You can choose the alternative \$25,000 cash prize.

Purchase tickets today at www.ywcaskatoon.com/sunshinecottage

Fierce by Road Coffee

Road Coffee recently launched Fierce, a new blend of coffee sourced from women-led farms in Costa Rica, Peru, and Kenya. Until the end of August, a portion of the proceeds of every purchase of Fierce supports Hope Lives Here.



Crisis Shelter & Residence

In April we turned away 390 people including:

243 adults 140 children 7 youth

As construction on our new transitional housing extension continues, staff at the Crisis Shelter & Residence continue to provide safety and support for women and families in their greatest time of need. This support comes through various programs including sharing circles, Indigenous-led medicine wheel teachings, mental health education, teaching healthy boundaries, cooking and budgeting lessons, attending cultural community events, relapse prevention, conflict resolution, coping with anger, self-care, sexual survivors legal rights, renters rights and youth programming.



Current Needs:

Women's gently used summer clothing and new/unopened sunscreens and sprays.



Employment & Learning Centre

YWCA Saskatoon's Employment & Learning Centre is consistently focused on delivering programs aimed at helping our community obtain the skills needed for meaningful and sustainable employment.

A highlight has been our Trade Journey program's partnership with Big Block Construction (left), where we've seen several direct hires.

Another big success was our Career Fair featuring 13 local vendors and 240 attendees!

fitness on 25th

With several brand new pieces of equipment arriving late last year and plenty of new programming in 2024, it's been an exciting few months at Fitness on 25th!

Our spring and summer programming is also in full swing with our Tiny Stars Gymnastics and upcoming Summer Camps in July & August!

Camps start July 2 and some weeks still have availability. We also offer a daily drop in rate.

Please visit ywcaskatoon.com/summer-camps



Child Development Centre

Our Child Development Centre continues to operate at full capacity! With summer just around the corner, days will be filled with field trips, picnics and outdoor activities to keep kids active, engaged and learning!

The CDC also received a much needed flooring renovation, along with fresh paint on the walls and cupboards.

Next up? Waiting for the plants in our annual garden to grow!



YWCA Saskatoon Events



Congratulations to our Award recipients!

This year's Graham Women of Distinction Awards gala was an inspirational, powerful and moving evening recognizing the extraordinary contributions of women across various fields, while raising awareness about YWCA Saskatoon's programs and services.

Thank you to our sponsors, partners, volunteers and attendees - without your support, holding an event of this magnitude would not be possible!

Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient



Dr. C. Lesley Biggs



Katharine Carter
Business & Entrepreneurship



Betty Mutwiri
Community Building



Yvette Arcand
Education



Laura Lawrence
Health & Wellness



Bobbi Janzen
Leadership in Athletics



Jocelyn Peltier-Huntley
Science, Technology, Engineering & Math



Tasnim Jaisee
Young Trailblazer



Shylah Nokusis
Women in the Trades



TrailblazHER in support of Hope Lives Here

On March 5 we celebrated International Women’s Day with 5 of our city’s most successful and inspiring women entrepreneurs!

Despite extreme winter weather, our panel was a huge success as guests packed The Saskatoon Club in the early morning hours to hear from a group of incredible women including Christine Marie, Deena Simair, Paula Collins, Tisha Paget and Rachel Smith.

All funds raised went to supporting our Hope Lives Here campaign. Thank you to everyone who attended!



Coldest Night of the Year 2024



During the winter months having no access to safe, warm shelter can be a matter of life or death. That’s why this February 2024 we walked to raise awareness and funds for those in our community experiencing hurt, hunger and homelessness.

This year’s event was a huge success! We exceeded our \$30,000 goal, raising over \$37,000 total with 118 walkers, 17 teams and 7 volunteers participating.

We are so grateful to our sponsors, participants and donors for showing those in our community experiencing adversity that they are not forgotten.



Save the Date!
CNOY 2025 is scheduled for February 22, 2025

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