



COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS

2021 Community Investment Funded Projects



York Region's Community Investment Fund supports non-profit agencies for the delivery of community services that meet the needs and improve the well-being of residents living with low and moderate income. Investments are targeted to fund

community-based programs and services across four Result Areas and complement and enhance the services delivered by York Region's Community and Health Services Department.

COMMUNITY HEALTH

Projects that support residents to be healthy and better able to make healthy choices

Big Brothers, Big Sisters of York Region **Strengthening Resiliency**

Youth will be provided with one to one mentoring to address trauma and build resiliency for better mental health.

york.bigbrothersbigsisters.ca

905-726-2149

Canadian Mental Health Association **Connecting Social Housing Tenants to** **Mental Health Supports**

Social housing residents will be provided mental health and addiction supports to improve landlord and tenant relations and tenancy.

cmha-yr.on.ca

905-841-3977 or 1-866-345-0183

Catholic Community Services for York Region **Healthy Minds, Healthy Communities**

Residents experiencing mental health issues will be provided case management and counselling supports, including multilingual psychotherapy and group mental health sessions.

ccsy.org

905-770-7040 or 1-800-263-2075

Hong Fook Mental Health Association **East Asian Youth Mental Wellness ABC (Awareness,** **Balance and Connectedness)**

Newcomer youth access wrap-around, linguistically and culturally appropriate mental health supports for themselves and their parents.

hongfook.ca

416-493-4242

John Howard Society York Region **Youth Counselling**

Individual counselling sessions for youth to support resilience, mental health concerns, and substance use awareness.

johnhoward.on.ca/yorkregion

905-895-9943

The Food Bank of York Region **The Food Bank of York Region**

Delivery of donated food provided by the Ontario Association of Food Banks, Food Banks Canada, Second Harvest and other local community donors to housing co-operatives, community food banks and other agencies serving residents living with low to moderate income.

fbyr.ca

905-738-5433

York Region Food for Learning **Enhancing Nutrition Programs in Schools**

Breakfast and snack programs at schools identified as having a high population of families living with low to moderate income.

foodforlearning.com

York Region Food Network **Good Food Hub**

Activities to promote healthy eating including community kitchen sessions, a breakfast program, and gleaning. Workshops are also available to increase residents' knowledge of healthy food preparation on a limited budget.

yrfn.ca

905-841-3101 or 1-866-454-9736



ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE

Projects that support residents to have and keep jobs that match their skills and to have financial stability

Centre for Immigrant and Community Services

S.O.A.R. Employment Training for Immigrant Women

Immigrant women living with low income will be provided with technical and soft skills training to help them find and maintain jobs.

cicscanada.com

905-415-9763

Cornerstone to Recovery

Training and Employment Preparation Program

Residents in recovery from drug and alcohol addiction will be provided with training and pre-employment supports to help them find and maintain employment.

cornerstonetorecovery.com

905-762-1551

COSTI Immigrant Services

Life Success Strategies

Participants learn life management skills to obtain and maintain jobs through a personal action plan, workshops, assessments and group engagement activities.

costi.org

905-669-5627

Georgina Trades Training Inc.

Skills, Education, Training (S.E.T.) for Employment

Participants prepare for employment through individualized employment plans, hands-on skills development, and links to appropriate training programs to further their skills for employment.

gtti.ca

905-722-6300

Job Skills

Job Find Club Enhanced

Residents will receive job search and networking skills, based on labour market trends, to help them gain sustainable employment.

Smart Start

Residents will obtain and retain employment through industry-specific skills and financial literacy training.

jobskills.org

905-898-5138

JVS Toronto

Youth Reach II

Youth, with a history of conflict with the law, will be provided employment counselling and job development services to support their search for employment.

jvstoronto.org

905-470-9675

Literacy Council of York-Simcoe

Essential Skills Development Program

Participants will access facilitated, self-paced training and workshops in basic and intermediate computer skills, including experience with computer-based applications, to increase labour market opportunities.

skillsupgrading.ca

905-853-6279

March of Dimes Canada

Customer Service and Retail

Participants will be provided training in customer service, financial literacy, résumé writing, job search, interview techniques and job supports to prepare them for employment.

marchofdimes.ca

905-508-5555

NPower Canada

York Region Campus

Youth will launch into sustainable IT careers through sector-specific technical and soft skills training.

npowercanada.ca

647-689-5850

Women's Centre of York Region

Enterprising Careers and Financial Empowerment

Women gain life skills and are supported in their career exploration to help build networks and achieve financial independence and personal empowerment.

wcyr.ca

905-853-9270 or 1-855-853-9270



HOUSING STABILITY

Projects that support residents to live in affordable, adequate, and suitable housing

Community Legal Clinic of York Region

Eviction Prevention Project

Legal supports for tenants who are at-risk of eviction and living with low income and emotional and mental health challenges.

dcyr.on.ca

905-508-5018

Inn from the Cold

Emergency Shelter and Supports

Residents experiencing homelessness will be provided with access to stable housing, emergency shelter, basic needs and supports during the winter months.

innfromthecold.ca

905-895-8889

Jewish Russian Community Centre of Ontario

JRCC Furniture Depot

Residents will be provided gently used donated furniture to help make a place a home.

jrcc.org

416-222-7105

Lance Krasman Memorial Centre for Community Mental Health

Application Support Worker

Participants will be provided case management to guide them through the process to successfully complete the Ontario Disability Support Program application process.

krasmancentre.com

905-780-0491

LOFT Community Services

LOFT Crosslinks Street Outreach

Residents dealing with homelessness, poverty, mental health and addiction issues will be provided housing referrals and wrap around supports including food, harm reduction supplies, sexual health education and referrals to other services through a mobile outreach van.

loftcs.org

416-979-3028

Mosaic Interfaith Out of the Cold

Out of the Cold Program

Residents experiencing homelessness will be provided with access to stable housing, emergency shelter, basic needs and supports during the winter months.

miotc.ca

416-948-6682

The Housing Help Centre

Information and Case Management

Residents will access and retain housing through workshops about housing rights and responsibilities, one-to-one case management, referrals, and tenant mitigation services to stabilize housing.

shhc.ca

416-285-8070



SOCIAL INCLUSION

Projects that support residents to be connected and able to engage in their communities

360° Kids Support Services Inc.

Home Base - Vaughan

Youth, ages 15 to 25, will be provided community services, such as pre-employment support, referrals, life skills workshops, mental health and addiction services, sexual health and nutrition education, gang prevention support and recreation activities.

360kids.ca

905-475-6694

CAYR Community Connections

(Formerly AIDS Committee)

Peer Links: Intergenerational Social Inclusion Programs for HIV+ & 2SLGBTQ+ York Region Residents

HIV+ & 2SLGBTQ+ youth, adults and seniors will be provided peer support to strengthen knowledge, leadership and community engagement.

cayrcc.org

905-884-0613

Elizabeth Fry Society of Peel-Halton

Community Counselling/Court Liaison

Women in conflict with the law will be provided with counselling and community reintegration addressing social and emotional issues.

efrypeelhalton.ca

905-459-1315

Family Services York Region

Families and Schools Together Program

Newcomer parents will work to strengthen parenting skills for academic performance, attendance and behavioural issues with their children. Group activities include curriculum based learning.

Outreach and Counselling and Support for Culturally Diverse Residents

Newcomers will receive counselling and mentorship to address social and emotional issues. Counselling is delivered in the following languages: Mandarin, Cantonese, Farsi, Tamil, Urdu, Punjabi, Spanish, Hindi, English and Arabic.

fsyr.ca

905-895-2371

Future Possibilities for Kids

Connecting Kids and Communities

Children and youth will develop social, leadership and life skills through peer support networks in the community. Program participants have opportunities to set goals through active listening and experiential learning. The project has continuous recruitment for children aged nine to 12 and KidCoaches.

fpcanada.org

416-923-0777

Girls Inc. of York Region

Leadership Program for Girls

Girls, ages six to 18, strengthen their life skills, through social media awareness, leadership, anti-bullying, nutrition, positive body image, self defense, active living, and violence prevention.

girlsincyork.org

905-830-0776

Hong Fook Mental Health Association

Hong Fook Youth and Family Hub

Newcomer youth and their parents will develop confidence, social identity, leadership skills, resiliency and peer support networks at this culturally appropriate drop-in program. Parents develop parenting skills and knowledge to strengthen their children's mental wellness.

hongfook.ca

416-493-4242



Human Endeavour

Multi-Community Building Project

Parenting education, youth projects, community events and wellness programs to help newcomers address cultural barriers and connect to resources.

humanendeavour.org

905-553-9291

Inn from the Cold

STAY Program/Drop-In and Support Services

People experiencing, or at-risk of homelessness, will be provided access to basic needs such as showers, meals, haircuts, foot care, health supports and laundry services. The program will complement Inn From the Cold's Emergency Shelter and Supports project from January to March, providing shelter clients with services during the day and will be a drop-in for clients three days per week, from April to December.

innfromthecold.ca

905-895-8889

John Howard Society York Region

Healthy Youth Preventative Education

Youth, ages 11 to 24, will be provided with activities that promote healthy relationships and target unhealthy behaviours to prevent bullying and violence. Individual and group activities develop self-awareness, self-management, social awareness, conflict resolution and other social and emotional learning skills.

johnhoward.on.ca/yorkregion

905-895-9943

Lance Krasman Memorial Centre for Community Mental Health

Peer Support Outreach Program

People experiencing mental health challenges, addictions, homelessness and trauma will be offered peer support that includes engagement activities, referrals to other community resources, assistance with housing needs and employment supports.

krasmancentre.com

905-780-0491

Learning Disabilities Association of York Region

SOAR Mindful Transitions

Students, grades eight to 12, who have been diagnosed with a learning disability or Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder, gain practical coping and advocacy skills in one-to-one or group sessions.

ldayr.org

905-884-7933

York Region Centre for Community Safety

Integrated and Coordinated Intake

Victims of domestic violence will be provided referrals and navigation to multiple community services and programs.

yrccs.ca

905-836-7601

York Region Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers

Parenting and Personal Development Program

Young mothers receive counselling to foster healthy interpersonal relationships and address social and emotional issues, as well as access to community supports and services.

roseofsharon.com

905-853-5514

Youth Assisting Youth

One-to-One and Group Mentoring

Children and youth engage in one-to-one and group mentoring to make connections, build skills and participate in leadership and community-based activities. Trained mentors, ages 16 to 29, are matched with mentees, ages six to 15, for the program.

youthassistingyouth.com

416-932-1919

