How the YMCA of Greater Toronto Stepped Up in Response to COVID-19

Health & Fitness

Greater Toronto

Shine On



Child & Family Development



14 Emergency Child Care Centres for the children of hundreds of essential workers



Over **220 hours** of free virtual programming for families



Regular Child Care and Before & After School programs at 300+ locations

Food Security



Nutrition programs at 180+ schools



Opened **1 food sorting** centre for the York Region Food Bank



Opened 3 food banks

15,000 pounds of food and clothing collected

Digital Literacy and

Immigrant Services

Programs online



Prepared **44,928** meals for Meals On Wheels

Employment & Community





19 centres provided virtual and remote services

Over **12,000** newcomer youth and adults have accessed our services remotely in the past year



Worked with over **1,000 employers** to fill jobs



Continued to operate **shelter and transitional housing for youth** without interruption

Camp



21 Summer Day Camp locations including YMCA Camp Pine Crest in Muskoka

Over **15,000 Value Beads** distributed to teach children values such as inclusiveness, responsibility and caring



Partnerships



Youth Programs



Academy, our middle

and high school, to

online learning

community through music

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YMCA Virtual Exchanges – **10 groups** across Canada are connecting virtually to share about their communities



YCAN Conference: Hosted a conference focused on resilience for youth and staff across Canada



YMCA Community Action Network (YCAN) supported **400 young** people virtually to deliver 17 local service projects across Canada



Virtual Peace by Piece Youth Conference 2021 - 159 attendees from across our youth leadership programs and from our partner YMCAs of Mexico and Colombia



Ongoing support to Partner YMCAs in the Global South including: YMCA of Peru and YMCA of Liberia



YMCA of Risaralda, Colombia: Green Families project, an urban agro-environmental food security project

International Support



YMCA of Peru: TRANScendent, an entrepreneurship project to support LGBTQI+ youth



YMCA of Liberia: Youth Power Space, an agriculture and food security project

