# CHALLENGE, CHANGE, AND REGROWTH:

# **GRATITUDE REPORT 2020**

YWCA SEATTLE | KING | SNOHOMISH



Dear Friends,

No one could have predicted the events of 2020. A global health pandemic unlike any we've seen in 100 years. Worldwide protests for racial justice, with millions of citizens calling to support Black lives and end police violence. The myriad ways COVID-19 has worsened disparities in health, housing, and employment for the most vulnerable, particularly for women and BIPOC communities.

YWCA's programs quickly pivoted to meet the urgent and emergent needs of community members. Our work slowed but never stopped, thanks to your responsive funding, innovative partnerships, and generous contributions.

To the dedicated volunteers, community partners, staff, and program participants of YWCA Seattle | King | Snohomish – thank you. Together, we delivered meals to families facing food insecurity, supported parents and students when classes moved online, assisted renters at risk of eviction, and much more.

During a year of unprecedented challenge and uncertainty, you helped YWCA continue to deliver on our mission and provide critical services to more than 7,000 women, men, and children in the region.

One of our biggest surprises came at the end of the year, when YWCA received an unexpected gift. This transformative donation is the largest in our 127-year history, and will help strengthen our organization's impact for years to come.

If we can respond to the unforeseen changes of 2020, we can do anything. We can tackle the systemic injustices that make it harder for women – particularly BIPOC women – to thrive and lead. The time to act is here and now. Today, we're planting seeds for a brighter future that will nourish the regrowth of equity and justice in our community.

On behalf of YWCA, thank you for helping ensure that every woman has the opportunity to build a healthy, safe, and stable life of her choosing. The lessons we've learned over the past year will help us continue fighting in the future, and we look forward to having you by our side in 2021 and beyond.

With gratitude,



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MARIA CHAVEZ-WILCOX Chief Executive Officer



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**LISA SCHAURES** Board Chair, 2020-2021



## Qiutrina Miller, YWCA Work\$Ready Graduate

Before the pandemic hit, I worked at a nursing home. Three people passed away before we even knew it was COVID-19. I went from 160 hours a month to zero.

It was a dark time for everyone, and uncertainty about the virus and my own future was stressful.

Then I saw a flyer for Work\$Ready, a job readiness program, and met YWCA Career Navigator, Dion Willis. From day one, he was a motivating force.

When classes moved online because of the pandemic, Dion was up-front and transparent with me, and continued to focus on my experience and needs.

The instructors rallied around us and provided a supportive environment. I enjoyed the diverse group of students, and learned so much from other participants. We had a lot of "Ah ha!" moments, tears, and realizations. As the end of the program neared, I was scared by the idea of a virtual job fair. It had been so long since my last interview and I explained to one of our instructors, Angeline, that I didn't feel confident in any of my clothes.

The day before the job fair, she brought me to her office to pick out a professional outfit. Between interviews, Dion checked-in with me to share extra tips, and just really put me at ease. The work paid off, and I got calls back for three positions.

I'm working as a dispatcher now, which gave me the flexibility to go back to school. I graduated this year from Seattle Central College and I've been accepted to the bachelor's program at Highline College this fall!

Work\$Ready made a difference in my life. Since completing the program in June 2020, I've used and shared the skills I built every day. I talk to so many people who want to know more and enroll. I'm glad that Dion has let me share his contact information with all of them!



Qiutrina Miller and her grandkids outside of YWCA's Renton Regional Center. Photo credit: Jovelle Tamayo.



Following a year of unprecedented challenge and change, the communities we serve continue to be disproportionately impacted by the effects of COVID-19.

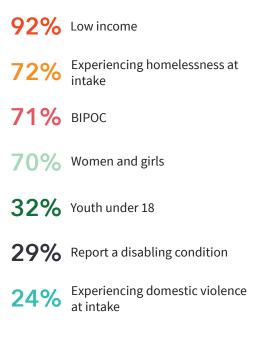
From unequal pay to lack of affordable housing, access to education and healthcare, BIPOC communities – and Black women in particular – continue to feel the historic impacts of injustice in their daily lives.



# WHO WE SERVED

Over 7,000 women, men, and youth received ongoing services from YWCA in 2020.





MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Moving Quickly to Meet Urgent Needs

YWCA works to break down the barriers to equity and opportunity in the most critical areas of people's lives: housing, economic advancement, health, and safety. We're dedicated to ensuring that every woman in our community has the opportunity to fully participate and thrive in life.

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Because of the pandemic, YWCA services were slowed but never stopped. Sites continued to operate at reduced capacity, following the safety measures of public health authorities. While the total number of people served in 2020 was lower than the previous year, community need for these services has continued to grow.

#### # OF PARTICIPANTS BY PROGRAM AREA

Housing (5,275) Health and Safety (1,323) Economic Advancement (635)

#### **PARTICIPANT OUTCOMES**

**94%** of residents who lived in YWCA permanent housing maintained housing stability.

**93%** of participants left a YWCA employment program with increased job readiness.

**73%** of participants exiting YWCA shelter or homelessness prevention programs moved into permanent housing.



Leticia Hannah and her sons Ashton and Grayson outside YWCA Trinity Place in Lynnwood.

# **2020 CONTRIBUTORS**

We are truly grateful for all of those who have contributed to YWCA's mission, including the public, foundation, corporate, and individual funders listed below who donated \$5,000 and above in 2020.

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Your partnership and generosity make a huge impact on the lives of women and families in our community. Please contact YWCA's development team if you notice an error or omission on the above donor list: Sarah C. Hassen (shassen@ywcaworks.org or 206.490.4365).





Thanks to the response of dedicated partners like you, YWCA continued to meet the urgent needs of the community throughout 2020, despite increased expenses and decreased service fees. This included an uncrecedented philanthropic gift received at the end of 2020 - a contribution that will allow YWCA to invest in our long-term vision and increase the impact of our work.

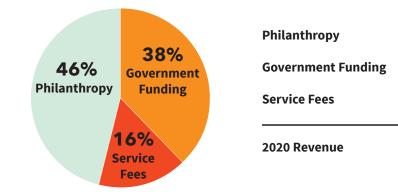
## **REVENUE BY CATEGORY**

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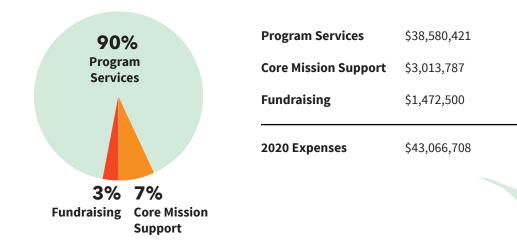
\$22,429,388

\$9,020,216

\$58,594,747



## **EXPENSES BY CATEGORY**



Visit our website for the most recent financial audit and IRS Form 990: ywcaworks.org/financials.



We are beyond grateful to YWCA's board of directors for their continual leadership and commitment to our mission, especially during a tumultuous and challenging 2020. Below is a full list of members from 2020 to 2021.

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### **OUR MISSION**

YWCA is on a mission to elimate racism and empower women.

#### **OUR VISION**

A healthy community transformed by racial and gender equity, where women and girls of color have equal access to opportunity, and there is social justice for all people.





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