

2024 Inspire Luncheon

Invitation Communication Points for Table and Virtual Captains

The best way to encourage participation is by sharing your story about why **YOU** support YWCA! Please feel free to use all or some of this key messaging to create your invitation to friends.

ABOUT YWCA

YWCA Seattle | King | Snohomish is the oldest and largest nonprofit focused on meeting the immediate needs of women in the Puget Sound area. They've been on the frontlines since 1894, developing the systems, scale, and knowledge to address some of this community's toughest problems. Today, YWCA delivers critical housing, health and safety, and economic advancement programming to over 7,000 people at 24 program sites – including more than 1,000 units of housing – from Everett to Auburn.

YWCA WORKS

In 2022, the most recent period for which formal outcomes are available, YWCA Seattle | King | Snohomish served 7,733 unique participants with ongoing programs across three pillar areas of housing, health & safety, and economic advancement. Of the individuals served, 70% were experiencing homelessness at intake, 63% identified as women and girls, 63% identified as BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color). Key 2022 program outcomes included:

- **63%** of people exiting shelter, diversion, and homelessness prevention programs moved into permanent housing and **95%** of permanent and Rapid Rehousing residents kept stable housing
- **99%** of people leaving domestic violence programs gained/increased knowledge about their rights/ options
- **87%** of people leaving employment programs increased employability and job readiness

YWCA's public policy team also advocates for mission-aligned legislative solutions, positively affecting women and girls statewide. **These efforts include** reducing barriers for non-profit affordable housing providers; implementing a state-wide, progressive estate tax; and investing in childcare by passing the Childcare Stabilization Act.

THE INVITE

Please join me at my table for YWCA's 2024 Inspire Luncheon on September 19. The Luncheon will be held from 12:00 – 1:00PM at the beautiful Westin Seattle. (**Virtual Captains:** *use your location and note that you're streaming the event virtually*). And this year's keynote speaker is **Dr. Mae Jemison!** You may know her for being the world's first African American woman in space, and she has many accomplishments including:

- Founder and President of Jemison Group and BioSentient Corp - medical technology companies
- Leading 100 Year Starship - to assure human interstellar space travel to another star within the next century
- Inducted into the National Women's Hall of Fame & International Space Hall of Fame

Please let me know if you can join me at my table; this event is anticipated to sell out early. (**Virtual Captains:** *no limit to virtual tickets, but you can still encourage RSVPs*).

There's a special power in coming together in celebration of YWCA's mission to end racism and empower women; help me take action by making a gift during the event. If you are unable to attend, please consider [making a gift](#).

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