

eliminating racism
empowering women

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Lancaster

OUR MISSION

YWCA Lancaster is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom, and dignity for all.

SOCIAL JUSTICE

In an effort to heal the wounds of racism and foster a healthy dialogue about race in Lancaster County, YWCA Lancaster provides a variety of workshops, study circles, caucuses, and community film sessions. Customized trainings are also available for schools and business to address topics of racism.



CHILD DEVELOPMENT

YWCA Lancaster provides safe, nurturing, and affordable childcare for children ages six weeks to five years old. Year round programs are also available for school-aged children in Lancaster City and the Penn Manor School District through age twelve.



RESIDENCE PROGRAM

YWCA Lancaster offers affordable housing for low/moderate-income single women and women with young children on a month-to-month basis during transitional periods in their lives. Support is provided to residents to help them with finding permanent housing, employment and to obtain life skills. Emergency shelter is also available.



SEXUAL ASSAULT COUNSELING CENTER

SAPCC provides free, professional counseling to victim survivors of sexual assault and their loved ones. SAPCC services also include a 24-hour Sexual Assault Hotline at 717-392-7273 as well as medical and legal accompaniment and advocacy.



TechGYRLS

A hallmark program of YWCA Lancaster, focused on empowering girls ages 9 to 14 to pursue STEM activities and careers. TechGYRLS boosts girls' interest in these fields through after-school programs at elementary and middle schools across Lancaster County, and during the summer in a two-week day camp.



PRIMARY PREVENTION

We provide a wide selection of training programs about sexual violence and sexual harassment to empower children, teens, and adults. We also provide Mandated Reporter trainings to organizations with employees that work with or come in contact with children.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Childcare Services

- 558 children received affordable, quality care while their parents worked.
- 5 teen parents were able to continue their high school education while YWCA staff took care of their children at our Child Development Center.
- 203 children received subsidized care, enabling parents to utilize otherwise inaccessible services.

Racial Justice Initiatives

Proactively working to eliminate racism in our community, businesses, and homes through Study Circles, our Lunch and Learn series, and Racial Justice Institute workshops, and customized trainings.

- 1,509 students and community members participated in anti-racism programs that break down the cycle of racial prejudice and hatred from one generation to the next.
- More than 3,000 runners and walkers joined us for our 20th Race Against Racism and 11th Annual Humanity Fest, raising over \$60,000 for the association's initiatives to eliminate racism.



Residence Program

- Provided more than 137 women and families with safe, affordable, and supportive housing during hardship.
- 50 women and children achieved independent, long-term housing.
- 50 previously homeless women now live in a permanent and stable setting.
- 4 women gained or increased income while participating in the Residence Programs.

Sexual Assault Prevention and Counseling Center

- 672 survivors of sexual assault and abuse, and their loved ones, received free, professional counseling and support. 33% of the clients counseled were children.
- 175 emergency calls were fielded by our 24-hour sexual assault hotline

Primary Prevention

Empowering school-age youth to finish school, choose respectful relationships and abstain from drugs and alcohol.

- 4,014 children and adults received preventative education in sexual assault
- 109 girls (ages 9-14) explored STEM programs through our TechGyrls Program Summer Camp and after-school programs

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