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YWCA Toronto helps women Move on to Success

YWCA Toronto is pleased to introduce Moving On To Success, an innovative employment program aimed at women who are survivors of abuse, in abusive situations, or are at risk. Funded by the Province of Ontario, Ontario Women's Directorate, the program offers women training and support to build their self-esteem, employability skills, and the tools necessary to gain economic independence.

"We are thrilled to offer this exciting new program which targets women who have been particularly underserved. The newest in a range of YWCA Toronto employment programs, Moving On To Success is a holistic approach to employment training," says Heather McGregor, YWCA Toronto CEO.

Intake for the program will take place on Mondays at a confidential location. Women enrolled in Moving On To Success will have access to a range of innovative, holistic and individualized services and supports for up to one year. The program consists of four components: career and employability skills assessment; employment training and preparation; job search and maintenance support; and job placement, coaching and mentoring. Participants also have access to transportation allowances, childcare, personal safety, support counseling, workshops and referrals.

The program will be offered in locations across the GTA in partnership with Springtide Resources (formerly Education Wife Assault); A Commitment to Training and Employment for Women (ACTEW); York University, Division of Continuing Education, Atkinson Faculty of Liberal and Professional Studies; and the YWCA Links to Jobs Employer Network.

YWCA Toronto established its first employment program in 1875, and since that time has been dedicated to improving the working life of women in Toronto. YWCA Toronto is a turning point for women and girls, providing housing and support, employment and skills development and girls and family programs, which help over 25,500 in their job search every year.

For more information on the program, please call 416-269-3762 or contact Raine Liliefeldt, Marketing and Media Coordinator 416.961.8100 x 326.

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