



GRANT SUMMARIES

MOVING WOMEN OUT OF VIOLENCE

OUR APPROACH

Like you, we want to end violence against women and girls. Thanks to your support, in 2016 we have invested over \$2 million in a range of community programs across Canada:

SHELTERS – Through our Campaign to End Violence, we support 452 emergency shelters across Canada that provide a safe place for women and children escaping domestic violence.

VIOLENCE PREVENTION – In 2016, we are supporting 49 violence prevention programs across Canada. We invest in six different types of programs:

- THR TEEN HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS** - These school and community based projects help to stop the inter-generational cycle of violence by teaching young people of all genders about dating violence, gender stereotypes, sexual harassment, and how to create safe and healthy relationships.
- RB REBUILDING LIVES** - Women and their children who have experienced violence begin to rebuild their lives with the help of counselling, legal advice and court support, safety planning, sexual assault response teams and care, and safe housing facilities such as emergency and second stage shelters.
- LN LOAN FUNDS** - Many women stay with an abuser because they cannot afford to live on their own. With these small interest-free loans—often called “micro-credit”—women can pay first- and last-month’s rent; cover security deposits for heat, hydro, and phone; and cover other essential housing costs so they can rebuild after experiencing violence.
- PR PREVENTING VIOLENCE** - These programs support girls and teens, aged 11 to 19, to understand gender-based violence and build their confidence. They learn about healthy relationships, conflict resolution strategies, setting personal boundaries, gender stereotypes, body image and eating disorders, substance abuse, stress management, diversity, and media awareness.
- SE/ST SEXUAL EXPLOITATION / SEX TRAFFICKING** - Women and girls who are being sexually exploited can access services to improve their safety. Groups working to address sex trafficking in Canada are supporting women and girls in building their skills and resilience and are creating new community partnerships.
- COM COMMUNITY BUILDING** - A growing number of community organizations are building networks to help them coordinate the delivery of services, share their knowledge of promising practices, research new violence prevention approaches, and collaborate on strategies to end violence against women and girls.

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ALBERTA

- THR RESPECT** **\$90,000 over 4 years**
Immigrant Services Calgary (ISC), *Calgary*
- RESPECT is an extension of the Mosaic Afterschool Program and focuses on healthy relationships for immigrant and refugee youth, aged 11-13. Immigrant and refugee youth are often faced with confusing and difficult decisions as a result of their desire to "fit in." RESPECT helps address these challenges through a series of workshop/activity sessions that explore bullying, gender stereotyping, and sexism in a safe and engaging environment. The program is offered in two schools with high immigrant populations, and will be extended to include a third school as well.
- SE/ST Tracy's Project** **\$250,000 over 5 years**
Elizabeth Fry Society Edmonton, *Edmonton*
- The Elizabeth Fry Society in Edmonton is developing a network of housing options for women who have experienced sex trafficking. Tracy's Project aims to provide survivors and their families with access to safe, affordable, and long-term accommodation. The housing will be located in close proximity to public transportation, family supports, and green space. Survivors will also receive assistance in making community connections and building a circle of support that will benefit them and their children.
- RB Peer Support Program** **\$28,000**
Sagesse, Calgary
- This program builds a community of peer support for women and children experiencing domestic violence in rural and remote areas. It offers training to volunteers so they can facilitate support groups for women who are experiencing, at risk of, or have experienced domestic violence. The peer-support groups run for 18-20 weeks, with the first phase focusing on building self-esteem, and the second focusing on domestic violence. Topics include communication, compassion, healthy relationships, cycles of violence, and how to move beyond abusive experiences. In 2016/17, the program will expand capacity in up to four rural or remote Alberta communities, while continuing to support four existing communities.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

- COM Older Women Dialogue Project** **\$25,000**
Canadian Centre for Elder Law, *Vancouver*
- The goal of this project is to empower older immigrant women who have survived violence to help create more responsive law and social policy in the areas that impact them. The project aims to engage women from traditionally vulnerable and marginalized communities, and offer tools for taking action on social issues—ultimately working to prevent violence against older immigrant women.
- RB Healing from Violence and Trauma: "What Does My Spirit Need?"** **\$24,485**
Prince George New Hope Society, *Prince George*
- This program supports the health and healing of women living on or close to the streets, who have experienced abuse or violence. Taking a holistic approach, the program offers a safe space for peer-driven learning, storytelling, and discussion. Participants are encouraged to reflect on a time and place where they felt safe. The themes covered throughout the year will reflect the realities of women's lives, and include spiritual and emotional healing, as well as basic health and safety.

THR Project Respect **\$100,000 over 4 years**
Victoria Women's Sexual Assault Centre, *Victoria*

Project Respect was collaboratively designed by youth leaders and program staff, and engages youth of all genders in a participatory, arts-based process of engagement and transformation. Participants explore topics such as gender, intersecting identities and constructions, power, oppression, inequity, privilege and responsibility, and they learn how these social contexts shape their personal lives (including dating, relationships, and sex). They also learn about non-violent alternatives, and are empowered to take responsibility for creating change to promote respectful relationships and inclusive communities. Participants from each year of the program often become youth facilitators for the program in the following year.

THR Respectful Relationships (R+R) **\$160,000 over 4 years**
SWOVA Community Development and Research Society, *Salt Spring Island*

Respectful Relationships (R+R) is an award-winning program that has been adopted in different communities and has received UN recognition for youth violence prevention. All students in grades 7-10 in the school district participate in 12 workshops, which are repeated in each grade with tailored content. The program provides youth with the awareness and skills to develop and maintain healthy, respectful, and safe interpersonal relationships. This includes creating awareness around dating violence, systemic violence, bullying, racism, homophobia, the influence of the media, the roots of violence, restrictive gender norms, and peer pressure. Self-respect, assertiveness, empathy, and positive two-way communication are encouraged, enabling students to deal with anger, to think critically, and to resolve conflicts. Trained community-based adult facilitators, comprised of a female and male team, bring these interactive workshops into school classrooms. High school students are also trained and mentored to co-facilitate the workshops and become peer leaders.

THR Strengthening Youth **\$100,000 over 4 years**
Cowichan Women Against Violence Society, *Duncan*

The Strengthening Youth Initiative helps prevent violence against young women and girls by creating a culture of healthy relationships. Through partnerships with local secondary schools and Cowichan Tribes, participants receive a 12-week, youth-directed, interactive curriculum. Topics include gender violence, systemic power, violence in relationships, cyber safety, healthy relationship skills, managing stress, emotions, and global peace. The program relies upon extensive youth consultation, dialogue, and partnership-building. Youth leaders are identified in the first year of the program to assist in the following three years of the program.

SE/ST ONYX Works - Youth Employment Program **\$237,832 over 5 years**
PLEA Community Services Society, *Vancouver*

OnyxWorks helps young women who have survived trafficking to develop the work skills they need to begin rebuilding their lives. The program offers employment and mentorship opportunities to women and girls age 13 to 19. Services include intensive one-on-one support and supervision, skills-based training, and a 10-week job placement. During the placement, youth workers who have experience with trafficking survivors are there to support both participants and employer-mentors. The goal is for participants to gain the experience and skills they need to secure regular employment.

MANITOBA

- RB Live-In Support Worker** **\$28,000**
Women's Safe Haven Resource Service Inc., *Flin Flon*
- The Women's Safe Haven offers emergency short-term accommodation for women and children who are fleeing from family violence. The live-in support worker provides individual help to ensure that women's immediate needs are met.
- THR Newcomer Youth & Healthy Relationships** **\$157,190 over 4 years**
Sexuality Education Resource Centre, *Winnipeg*
- Newcomer Youth & Healthy Relationships offers a co-ed, school-based healthy relationships program targeted to newcomer refugee youth, aged 12-17. Project partners include two inner-city schools in Winnipeg and the innovative Peaceful Village Program which provides after-school supports for newcomer youth and families. The program offers 12 weekly educational workshops on healthy relationships. Graduates can then attend 10 workshops to develop peer-led projects which they present to classmates. Parents of participants receive three presentations yearly to help build their trust and support for youth involved. The program also helps families negotiate their different roles in their community by supporting youth who are often put in the position of cultural translator for their families. Following Year One, a multi-generational group of daughters, mothers, and grandmothers is started to build solidarity for violence prevention in families and the community. An Advisory Committee including partners and youth reps guides the project.
- THR Sacred Seven Healthy Relationship Program** **\$90,000 over 4 years**
Wii Chiiwaakanak Learning Centre, The University of Winnipeg Foundation, *Winnipeg*
- The Sacred Seven Healthy Relationship Program serves 320 youth and reaches out to hundreds more each year. This after-school program uses culturally-appropriate teaching tools to explore cultural identity, increase engagement, foster empowerment, and help teens establish healthy relationships. Using instructional tools such as the seven sacred and medicine wheel teachings, youth are empowered to develop their own code of honour principles that focus on violence prevention, building confidence, self-esteem and discovering their cultural identity, so that they can embrace relationships with hope and optimism. Youth are also offered leadership development training in order to share their code of honour with partnering schools.
- SE/ST Ndinawe Transitions Program** **\$125,000 over 5 years**
Ndinawemaaganag Endaawaad (Ndinawe), *Winnipeg*
- Transitions helps graduates of the Red River College/Ndinawe Child & Youth Care Certificate Program to transition into careers as child and youth care workers. All of these graduates have experienced trafficking and/or sexual exploitation. Through weekly personal and professional development sessions, Transitions participants help each other deal with the stress and issues that arise in their work. This program is essential, because work in this field can be triggering for those who have experienced trafficking and other forms of violence.

NEW BRUNSWICK

- RB** **Advocating for Change: A community-campus initiative to support post-secondary young women experiencing sexual violence** **\$25,000**
Fredericton Sexual Assault Crisis Centre, *Fredericton*

The Fredericton Sexual Assault Centre (FSAC) recognizes the devastating impact of campus sexual assault on young women. Through the Advocating for Change project, the FSAC and campus partners will establish a community-based sexual assault advocacy and support program. The goal is to reduce barriers that young women face when accessing support and accountability after experiencing sexual violence. An FSAC campus sexual assault advocate will help students navigate complaints and legal processes, as well as medical, counselling, and other services. The project promotes a victim-centered approach and ultimately aims to create safe and supportive campuses.

- THR** **Making Waves / Vague par vague** **\$160,000 over 4 years**
Partners for Youth, *Fredericton*

Making Waves is a youth-driven dating violence prevention program that reaches all schools in New Brunswick. This innovative and successful program has been running since 1995, and is guided by principles of equality, equity, and diversity; it engages young people as leaders and active partners in creating a world in which violence is not tolerated. An intensive training weekend is the starting point for this program in which a year-long action plan is developed for each school. Youth run, develop, and create the retreat curriculum and also select the next team of youth leaders. Partners for Youth is also working with New Brunswick First Nations communities to customize the program. They hope to have six First Nations communities involved in the program over the next four years.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

- COM** **A-SART** **\$25,000**
Newfoundland and Labrador Sexual Assault Crisis and Prevention Centre, *St. John's*

The Newfoundland and Labrador Sexual Assault Crisis and Prevention Centre, in collaboration with community and government partners, is designing and coordinating a collaborative Avalon Sexual Assault Team (A-SART). Guided by the experiences of survivors, the team aims to provide more coordinated supports and resources to women who experience sexual assault. Through training and knowledge-sharing, the team will also develop strategies for prevention.

NOVA SCOTIA

- PR** **GSA Safer School Initiative** **\$19,863**
The Youth Project, *Halifax*

This initiative empowers student leaders from seven school boards to help challenge homophobia and transphobia at school. Through the project, Gender and Sexuality Alliance student leaders learn leadership skills, as well as how to advocate for change and safer spaces at school, particularly in rural communities. The project also aims to increase collaboration between GSA student leaders regionally.

THR Healthy Relationships for Youth **\$160,000 over 4 years**
Antigonish Women's Resource Centre, *Antigonish*

Healthy Relationships for Youth is a peer-facilitated, school-based violence prevention program designed to reduce violence against youth (especially girls and young women). The program offers a series of 12 interactive sessions designed to reduce the risk of violence for youth by developing skills and knowledge about creating and maintaining healthy relationships. The program encourages students to develop a deeper understanding of diversity, and to recognize sexism, racism, and homophobia as forms of violence that impact both intimate and social relationships. It also helps students understand and make the links between oppression, exclusion and the prevalence of violence. Healthy Relationships for Youth models healthy adult-youth relationships and empowers youth as leaders by matching teachers with youth facilitators and community partners. Each adult and youth team strives to reflect gender as well as other forms of diversity such as race, culture, and ability. In each school, youth teams are recruited from Grades 10 to 12 and trained in leadership, facilitation, and issues discussed in the curriculum. This program is offered in partnership with the Strait Regional School Board and is pursuing expansion to other school boards with the goal of provincial coverage.

THR Leave Out Violence (LOVE) **\$90,000 over 4 years**
Leave Out Violence (LOVE), *Halifax*

Leave Out Violence (LOVE) is a violence prevention and intervention organization that works with youth who have experienced violence as victims, witnesses, or perpetrators. At LOVE, the belief is that violence—defined by participants as “anything that hurts”—is learned and cyclical. Participants learn and practice leadership and life skills while they create art—writing, photography, video, and spoken word. Their creations become powerful education tools to help community members learn about root causes and effects and alternatives to violence. LOVE's programs in Indian Brook and Membertou First Nations respect and embrace local culture and traditions, while fostering youth voice and leadership in the community.

SE/ST Anti-Trafficking Coalition & Strategy **\$255,170 over 5 years**
YWCA Halifax, *Halifax*

YWCA Halifax will lead a coalition of organizations to prevent sex trafficking of young women in Nova Scotia. The coalition is made up of representatives from government, community organizations serving women and youth, and survivors of sex trafficking. Together, these groups will address how to prevent sex trafficking, intervene appropriately, and provide support for young women in rebuilding their lives. This will lead to capacity building and more coordination between first responders and service providers. The coalition aims to establish long-term strategies, including prevention programs for at-risk communities, crisis and longer-term housing, counselling and mental health services, advocacy and awareness, and policy development.

NUNAVUT

PR Omingmak - Seeds to Wellness Girls Leadership Program **\$28,000**
Cambridge Bay Community Wellness Centre, *Cambridge Bay*

This program reaches out to girls age 9 to 13 in a remote Northern community where there are relatively high levels of poverty, violence, and substance abuse. The goal is to help boost girls' self-esteem, identify their roles in the community, promote healthy lifestyles and goal-setting. Inuit elders and role models in the community will help guide traditional outdoor activities, as well as arts and crafts. The program aims to educate participants about their history, help them recognize their strengths, and empower them to live free of abuse and violence.

ONTARIO

RB	Women and Access: Preventing Violence Nellie's Shelter, <i>Toronto</i>	\$28,000
	<p>Nellie's is the only shelter in Toronto that provides services specifically for women living with both a disAbility and violence. Through its Women and Access Program, Nellie's aims to ensure its services are inclusive, accessible, and non-threatening for all women. The program aims to offer greater access to American Sign Language for women who are hard-of-hearing or Deaf, as well as more Support Attendants to provide women with the physical assistance, care, and listening they may need.</p>	
RB	Building Empowered Women Initiative Couchiching Jubilee House, <i>Orillia</i>	\$25,000
	<p>Building Empowered Women Initiative provides transitional housing and supports for marginalized women and children who have experienced violence. To help women rebuild their lives, the Initiative offers programs that foster women's confidence, build healthy relationship skills, and address boundary-setting. Other topics include parenting, budgeting, healthy eating, and individual counselling is also offered. The Initiative offers community workshops on topics including self-defence, self-care, and networking, so that marginalized women can share experiences and work together to break cycles of abuse. These programs reach out to women at risk of being victimized due to their financial situation, educational level, history of abuse or addiction. Volunteers will also receive mental health first aid training so they can better identify and manage mental health issues resulting from experiences of abuse.</p>	
LN	December 6th Fund YWCA Muskoka, <i>Bracebridge</i>	\$25,000
	<p>This funding extends the reach of the December 6th Loan Fund, helping make it accessible to women from diverse and rural communities in Muskoka. These interest-free loans of up to \$750 are designed to help women who are leaving situations of domestic abuse. They help to cover costs like rent deposits, moving expenses, outstanding rent, utilities, and childcare. Additional supports include one-on-one counselling with a volunteer financial advisor; recipients are encouraged to attend financial planning workshops and life-skills sessions.</p>	
LN	New Beginnings Loan Fund United Way of London & Middlesex, <i>London</i>	\$27,500
	<p>This funding helps to sustain the New Beginnings Loan Fund, which supports women and children who are leaving abusive relationships and rebuilding their lives. The Fund provides interest-free loans of up to \$500 to cover urgent costs such as lock changes or security enhancements, moving or storage, rent, utilities, transportation, childcare or legal costs. Loan payments are returned interest-free to the fund, for the benefit of other women in need in the future, according to each woman's ability to repay. Given that the need among women in the community has outpaced repayment of the fund, this grant enables it to continue serving the 200-300 women and children who benefit from the loans each year.</p>	
PR	New Journeys National Association of Friendship Centres, <i>Ottawa</i>	\$25,000
	<p>This is a mobile and online resource that makes potentially life-saving information easily accessible to at-risk Aboriginal youth, women, and girls. It offers information on how to protect yourself from violence, and resources to turn to for help. It will also create a mobile community that engages young</p>	

people around the topics of violence, gender, healthy and relationships in the context of their social, cultural and economic situation.

- RB Mothers in Mind** **\$5,000**
Hiatus House, *Windsor*
- The Mothers in Mind program engages mothers who have experienced violence or trauma (including childhood abuse), aiming to enhance their parenting skills, strengthen their parent-child relationship, and reduce parenting stress. Developed by the Child Development Institute in Toronto, the program ultimately aims to help improve outcomes for young children and reduce the number of children that are placed in the care of child welfare.
- SE/ST Niagara Region Human Trafficking Protocol** **\$25,000**
YWCA Niagara Region, *St. Catharines*
- This project is developing a formal protocol and action plan for supporting victims who are either identified, or who self-identify as being trafficked for sex trade purposes.
- THR Afterschool ReAct Program** **\$160,000 over 4 years**
Metropolitan Action Committee on Violence Against Women and Children (METRAC), *Toronto*
- METRAC's Afterschool ReAct Program is a co-ed peer education youth initiative aimed at preventing violence against women and girls. This program serves marginalized teens, aged 14-19, in four high-need schools in Toronto. Youth-led training, planning, implementation and evaluation help youth gain tools for building healthy relationships. Program outcomes include building youth skills in peer facilitation, mentorship, self-reflection, youth leadership, healthy relationships, and community engagement to work towards ending gendered violence. The young people who participate in this program build the skills, confidence and knowledge required to become violence prevention leaders in their schools and communities.
- THR Be the Change: Educational Modules to End Violence** **\$90,000 over 4 years**
Sexual Assault and Violence Intervention Services of Halton, *Oakville*
- BE THE CHANGE: Educational Modules to End Violence is developing two e-learning modules for students in grades 9-12 that teach them to challenge gender stereotypes and social norms that perpetuate violence. Youth empowerment, long-term social change, peaceful conflict resolution, and problem-solving are emphasized, and additional resources are available for students who have experienced violence.
- THR Fourth R** **\$160,000 over 4 years**
Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, *London (working in Nunavut & Northwest Territories)*
- The Fourth R is a comprehensive prevention program currently being offered in over 2,000 schools across Canada. The program promotes healthy relationships and explores topics such as bullying and peer and dating violence, as well as high-risk sexual behaviour and substance use among adolescents. Funding from the Canadian Women's Foundation is helping the organization offer the Fourth R to Grades 7, 8 and 9 in Yellowknife Catholic Schools Divisions, as well as in the Tlicho Region in the Northwest Territories, and Arviat, Nunavut. Curricula are being adapted for each community so that they are culturally relevant.

THR TAG-V: Teens Against Gender Violence **\$160,000 over 4 years**
Abrigo Centre, *Toronto*

This program connects Abrigo Centre with four school communities to target gender-based violence through an anti-abuse, healthy relationship initiative. In Phase One, 15 students in each school are recruited as youth leaders, and are trained on the issue of violence and building healthy relationships. In Phase Two these youth leaders launch an educational campaign focused on gender-based violence and abuse with the intention of building awareness of abuse, dating violence, peer violence, family violence, and healthy relationships. The youth-led educational campaign includes workshops delivered to school peers and a school-wide informational fair.

SE/ST Strengthening Our Journey: Women's & Girls' Empowerment **\$255,170 over 5 years**
Fort Frances Tribal Area Health Services, *Fort Frances*

This project provides support services to Aboriginal women who are at risk of, or who have experienced trafficking and other forms of violence. The goal is to provide participants with tools and resources to help them avoid violence, sexual exploitation, and trafficking. Fort Frances Tribal Area Health Services wants to address issues affecting Aboriginal women and girls by collaborating with various community and social service agencies. This project aims to provide opportunities for women and girls to heal and regain strength, and to empower communities to educate themselves and find their voice.

SE/ST Support for Women with Precarious Immigration Status **\$250,000 over 5 years**
Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic, *Toronto*

This program offers support to women who are either experiencing or vulnerable to trafficking for sexual exploitation because of their precarious immigration status. A group of organizations in Toronto will provide services including trauma counselling, legal advice, access to primary health services, and housing referrals. The organizations involved will focus on community outreach and work with migrant women in locations where they gather and feel safe. Efforts will be concentrated in Toronto neighbourhoods where women are recruited for trafficking.

SE/ST Safe Passages **\$25,000**
Women's Support Network, *York Region*

Safe Passages is designed to address risk factors that contribute to further victimization of women and girls who have been trafficked and sexually exploited. These risk factors can include violent victimization, lack of accessibility to a continuum of services, and limited connection to the community. Through a case worker, the program provides female victims/survivors with a continuum of care, including crisis support through WSN's Human Trafficking crisis line, support with immediate needs, specialized case management, and referrals to relevant community partners. In addition, the case worker also responds to case referrals and collaborates with York Regional Police, Victim Services of York Region and other community service providers.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

THR PEI Family Violence Prevention Services Inc. **\$92,750 over 4 years**
PEI Family Violence Prevention Services, *Charlottetown*

PEI Family Violence Prevention Services is providing a brand new anti-violence, healthy relationship program in two urban and two rural schools (Grades 6-8). This program is in partnership with the only school board on the island, and therefore has the potential to become provincial. Activities focus on

increasing students' knowledge of gender-based discrimination and violence. The goal is to educate and change existing social norms that contribute to violence against girls and women.

QUÉBEC

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| SE/ST | Coordinating CATHII (Quebec coalition against human trafficking)
CATHII - Comité d'action contre la traite humaine interne et internationale, <i>Montréal</i> | \$28,000 |
| | This project mobilizes and coordinates members of the Quebec coalition against human trafficking to campaign for more provincial support services for victims of trafficking. | |
| PR | Creating local committees: Putting girls at the heart of our actions
YWCA Québec, <i>Québec</i> | \$15,000 |
| | The YWCA Québec's Centre filles plans to expand the reach of its girls' committee, creating three new committees in low-income housing complexes. Each committee would be made up of around 10 teenage girls, age 11 to 19. The goal is to address different forms of violence experienced by girls and to promote healthy relationships. Each committee would have three objectives: 1) organize an event for girls in their community; 2) share experiences in networking meetings with the other girls' committees; 3) share their experiences with their communities through social media. Through these committees, the Centre filles team can better understand the realities and needs of girls in the region. The participants will develop critical-thinking and leadership skills when it comes to violence prevention, and create healthier relationships for themselves and their communities. | |
| RB | Building Leadership Voices - Women with Disabilities and Deaf Women Speak about Systemic Violence
DisAbled Women's Network (DAWN-RAFH), <i>Montréal</i> | \$28,000 |
| | This project empowers women with disabilities and Deaf women with leadership skills to influence policy and programming in three areas related to system violence prevention: police services, victim services, and services for violence against women. | |
| SE/ST | Déclit Sans P ni E
Action jeunesse St-Pie X de Longueuil Inc., <i>Longueuil</i> | \$75,000 over 3 years |
| | Sans P ni E is a prevention and education project designed to prevent vulnerable girls aged 12 to 17 from being sexually exploited. The girls attend workshops that help them to explore their identity and foster personal development, self-reliance, and self-esteem. | |
| SE/ST | Juste pour elles (Just for the Girls)
Maison d'Haïti, <i>Montréal</i> | \$150,000 over 3 years |
| | This organization provides services to address social integration for Haitian and other newcomer communities in Montreal's Saint Michel area. The Juste pour elles (Just for the Girls) program raises awareness around sexual exploitation and helps foster self-esteem so young women can face the challenges of peer pressure. Using skill-building activities, girls learn to recognize sexual predators and gang recruiters, and learn to think critically about sexual exploitation. Consideration is given to Internet use, sexting, and webcam chats. The program also works to inform parents of the risks of recruitment. The program impacts approximately 60 girls. | |

SE/ST Preventing Sexual Exploitation **\$75,000 over 3 years**
YWCA Montréal, *Montréal*

The Preventing Sexual Exploitation program works to reduce the risk factors, and increase the protective factors for girls at risk of sexual exploitation. The program takes place in group settings within the school environment. Because of the intense nature of the work, the groups are relatively small, with between 18 and 24 girls participating. Class presentations also raise awareness for a larger number of students.

SE/ST Filles averties, engagées et hors danger **\$84,000 over 3 years**
(Girls Informed, Engaged, and Out of Danger)
Concertation des luttes contre l'exploitation sexuelle (CLES), *Montréal*

This project enables trained young women, aged 14 to 19, to facilitate awareness workshops on violence against women and girls using—among other educational tools and activities—a documentary created by CLES titled “The Oldest Lie.” They present their work to communities in the Montreal area, becoming change-makers as they engage their peers around the question of sexual exploitation. The organization relies upon established partnerships with ethno-cultural organizations in the targeted neighbourhoods.

SE/ST Towards Justice for Trafficked Non-Citizen Women **\$250,000 over 5 years**
Canadian Council for Refugees, *Montreal*

This national project helps lawyers and non-governmental organizations address and prevent the sex-trafficking of women and girls in Canada who are not Canadian citizens. It aims to build the capacity of organizations to respond to survivors' needs, to strengthen advocacy efforts, and to eliminate systemic gaps so that these survivors don't fall through the cracks.

SE/ST Mettre Fin à la Traite Sexuelle (Ending Sex Trafficking) **\$250,000 over 5 years**
Mouvement contre le viol et l'inceste, *Montréal*

This project aims to help service providers better serve the needs of women who have experienced trafficking. It has three goals: 1. To develop a tool that helps identify clients who have experienced trafficking, 2. To create a referral network for survivors of trafficking, particularly for those who are immigrant women, 3. Create a specialized support program for survivors, with emphasis on the needs of immigrant women, refugees, and those who have experienced multiple barriers. The program also aims to provide a training program on sex trafficking in the context of immigration.

THR À l'action! **\$160,000 over 4 years**
Y des femmes de Montréal, *Montréal*

À l'action! supports youth agency by helping participants develop critical thinking skills around gender, leadership skills, and social capacity. Delivered through workshops, and media and arts-based team projects, the program gives young people the opportunity to take concrete action by giving voice to their understanding of gender and exploring alternatives to traditional power dynamics among youth. Young women and men are partnered together on team projects to encourage constructive and open dialogue and an understanding of equal and shared power relationships.

THR Building Healthy Relationships **\$90,000 over 4 years**
Bureau de la Communauté Haïtienne de Montréal (BCHM), *Montréal*

Building Healthy Relationships offers workshops to help young women and men gain self-esteem and a strong sense of their own worth, and provides tools for developing harmonious and healthy relationships. Participants learn about available resources; how to reduce the impact of violence in their lives; how to develop a greater sense of control over their own future; and how to make positive changes in their communities.

SASKATCHEWAN

RB Sexual Assault Program - Support Group and Prevention/Education Presentations **\$28,000**
Sexual Assault Program - Prince Albert Mobile Crisis Unit, *Prince Albert*

The Sexual Assault Program offers short- and long-term counselling to victims of sexual assault/abuse. This grant helps the program increase its ability to do outreach through support groups for women and teen girls, as well as presentations for youth. These presentations will help young people understand healthy relationship skills, how to respond to unwanted sexual advances, and learn about the services of the Sexual Assault Program. The goal is to offer school presentations within Prince Albert, as well as in remote Northern communities.

YUKON

COM GNorth Network **\$28,000**
Victoria Faulkner Women's Centre, *Whitehorse*

Through programming for girls and trans youth, GNorth Network aims to challenge gender stereotypes, teach healthy relationship skills, and address high rates of violence in the North. The Network brings Yukon-based program providers together, helping them to connect and share resources. They will plan an event to share skills and bring youth together from around the territory. The GNorth coordinator will also maintain the Girls & Trans Club, a youth-led club addressing gender stereotypes, healthy relationships, healthy sexuality, and media literacy.