

YSM 2025 YEAR IN REVIEW

Thank you for your ongoing commitment as a Possibility Partner monthly donor in helping vulnerable community members journey out of poverty.

Through your partnership, in 2025 Yonge Street Mission was able to respond to rising need throughout Toronto. As costs increase, and more individuals and families look to YSM for help, your continuing support is critically important.

To illustrate the life-changing impact you've had, please read below how YSM's services supported Maya and her mother in 2025:

A NEW PATH FOR MAYA AND HER MOM

As Olivia* prepared for the birth of her daughter, Maya*, she felt overwhelmed. She was already really struggling to make ends meet as she didn't earn enough as a part-time pharmacy technician to support her family, especially while her partner, Terry,* was unemployed. At the encouragement of a post-partum public health nurse, she visited YSM's Evergreen Centre and found a place where she felt truly supported.

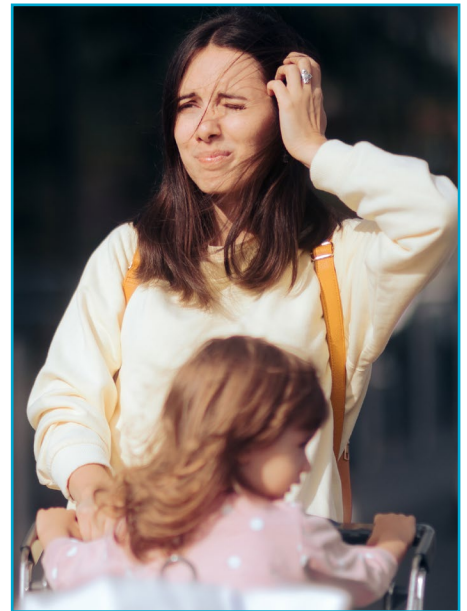
From Olivia's very first visit, Evergreen's Nursery Coordinator Ruth made her feel welcome and cared for. Under Ruth's guidance, Olivia received needed supplies for her daughter, warm lunches and, often, enough food to take some home to Terry, as well as essential baby supplies from the Evergreen pantry. Even when the walk to our Evergreen Centre was difficult while pushing her daughter's stroller, Olivia always made the trip because she knew she would find relief, comfort and community once she arrived.

Our Evergreen Centre became Olivia's lifeline. Even today she regularly drops by for meals, essentials and emotional support. Through Ruth, Olivia also connected with YSM's Food Bank and was able to encourage Terry to participate in YSM's mental health and Employment Services. Together, all these supports are helping to bring stability to Olivia and her family.

Today, Olivia is feeling hopeful again! She dreams of returning to school to advance her pharmacy tech career and create new opportunities for her daughter's future.

Thanks to kind donors like you, families like Olivia's don't have to face tough seasons alone. Your support helps struggling community members find their footing, increase stability and build their futures with confidence.

*Community members' names and images have been changed to protect their privacy.



**To illustrate your life-changing impact,
YSM fulfilled the following services for struggling
neighbours during 2025:**

Food Services

**31,083
meals**

served to youth at our
Evergreen Centre

**8,732
meals**

served to adults through
our Bridges' community meals

17,045 visits
to our Food Bank, supporting
**42,610
individuals**

Care Management

**278
community
members**

received 1,504 hours of
one-on-one Care Management,
advocacy and support

**118 young
families**

supported on an ongoing basis
through our Evergreen Nursery,
receiving needed supplies, support
and parenting education

**52
children**

are cared for at our daycare,
which supports 45 families

Mental Health and Wellness

**276
participants**

received a total 2,035 hours of
individual counselling

**4,280 health
appointments**

were addressed via our
Evergreen Health Centre,
offering youth medical, dental
and mental healthcare

206 participants

received the benefit of 952 hours
of group therapy.

In 2025, our mental health
services expanded to include
therapy options for couples and
families, as well as art therapy

Employment & Workforce Development

583 participants

completed one or more YSM employment programs; 53% of these participants were adults and 47% were youth

**Numbers reported are for YSM's 2025 fiscal year October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2025.*

**Thank you for your monthly commitment and partnership as we
continue to build a city where people, and not poverty, thrive.**

We are truly grateful for your continued support!

As a **Possibility Partner**, please reach out to
Akudo at aanyanwu@ysm.ca with any questions
or needs you have as a monthly donor.

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