



## GRANT SUMMARY

## MOVING WOMEN OUT OF VIOLENCE

Like you, we want to end violence against women and girls. Thanks to you, in 2014 we invested \$3 million in a wide range of community programs across Canada, including 451 women's shelters across Canada and 57 violence prevention programs.

### OUR APPROACH

**SHELTERS** – Through our Campaign to End Violence, we support 451 women's shelters across Canada, that provide a safe place for women and children escaping domestic violence.

**VIOLENCE PREVENTION** – In 2014, we supported 59 violence prevention programs across Canada. We invest in seven different types of programs:

- HR**     **HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS** - These school-based projects help to stop the intergenerational cycle of violence by teaching young people about dating violence, gender stereotypes, sexual harassment, and how to create safe and healthy relationships.
- RB**     **REBUILDING LIVES** - Women who have escaped domestic violence begin to rebuild their lives through counselling, legal advice, and safety planning. They receive help finding a new place to live. Their children receive counselling that helps them cope with the aftermath of trauma and avoid becoming future victims or abusers.
- SS**     **SECOND STAGE** - When women move out of an emergency shelter, they often need help to stabilize their life and become economically self-sufficient. These safe housing facilities are designed especially for them. Women and their children live in affordable apartments while attending free on-site services such as job search workshops and counselling. Typical stays range from six to eighteen months.
- LN**     **LOAN FUND** - 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 escape the violence.
- EMP**    **EMPOWERMENT** - These programs help women and girls who are at risk of violence or sexual assault to improve their safety and build their confidence. They learn about violence prevention strategies, setting personal boundaries, gender stereotypes, healthy relationships, body image and eating disorders, substance abuse, stress management, diversity, and media awareness.
- SE/ST**   **SEXUAL EXPLOITATION / SEX TRAFFICKING** - Young women who are being sexually exploited can access services to improve their safety and make lifestyle changes. Groups working to address the growing problem of sex trafficking in Canada can offer educational seminars and create 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 collaborating on strategies to end violence against women and girls.

## OUR DONORS AND PARTNERS

Our violence prevention work is made possible by the generous support of the following partners:

### **Campaign to End Violence Partners:**

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The Scotiabank Fund  
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TD Bank Financial (supports our work with Aboriginal girls, teens and women)  
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**And thank you to our many other corporate partners and individual donors across Canada for helping to stop the violence.**

## ALBERTA

- RB Flood Relief – Shelter Grants** **\$20,000**  
*Rowan House Emergency Shelter, High River*  
In 2013, Southern Alberta experienced a record flood that caused thousands of people to evacuate their homes and businesses, along with economic devastation. Emergency shelters were also affected, being forced to find alternate housing for women and children who needed safe shelter from violence. The crisis also led to an overwhelming increase in calls for help from women. Rowan House remained closed for almost two months due to high flood waters; when it reopened, the shelter had sustained over \$400,000 in damages. The \$20,000 grant (along with an additional \$5,000 allocated immediately after the flood) will assist Rowan House in restoring their shelter and addressing the increased levels of service.
- YWCA Calgary, Calgary* **\$10,000**  
The YWCA of Calgary operates two local shelters: Sheriff King Home and Mary Dover House, both of which were evacuated during the flood. The women and children who were sheltered in Mary Dover House had to be relocated for almost two months. The flood also destroyed a fitness center in the basement of Mary Dover House, leading to a \$600,000 revenue loss. The \$10,000 grant (along with an additional \$5,000 allocated immediately after the flood) will assist the YWCA to address the impact of the flood.
- RB The Court Support Program** **\$25,000**  
*Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter, Calgary*  
The Court Support Program provides support and access to legal services for women who have experienced violence. The program enables access to legal and court resources including advice, duty counsel, court workers, Crown Prosecutors, and police. The program helps women explore their options and ensures they are accompanied to legal and court appointments. Participants receive assistance with completing and filing applications, safety planning and risk assessment. This program is accessible to clients of the Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter and through referrals from other relevant agencies.
- RB Rebuilding Lives with Hope through Outreach Services** **\$28,000**  
*Hope Resource Centre, Westlock*  
This project assists women and girls whose lives have been impacted by violence, and who are working to rebuild their lives. The Outreach Services team provides cultural and individualized support services to Aboriginal women in and around the community. These services include: education on types of abuse, the cycle of abuse, safety planning and danger assessments. The project also helps women to develop practical action plans, get transportation to shelters and appointments, receive support during court and lawyers' appointments, and get referrals to community agencies.
- SS Musasa House Outreach Program** **\$20,000**  
*Medicine Hat Women's Shelter Society/Musasa House, Medicine Hat*  
This program helps women and children to transition from the protective environment of the Musasa House Second Stage Shelter into safe, independent living in the community. Many women and children who have experienced family violence feel a deep sense of loss as they leave the communal setting of the shelter. The Outreach Program provides women ongoing support as they re-establish themselves in the community.

<b>EMP</b>	<p><b>The Hera Program</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>\$25,000</b></span>  <i>Boys and Girls Clubs of Calgary, Calgary</i>  Hera is a year-round, holistic education program for adolescent girls at risk of sexual exploitation. The participants often have a history of family trauma and family violence. Other risk factors include social isolation, poverty, unsafe sexual behavior, vulnerability to negative peer influences, and substance abuse. The Hera program uses a therapeutic, trauma-informed approach to help the girls overcome these complex psychological, physical and emotional challenges and transition successfully into high school and the community. The girls are supported to develop their skills, commit to their education, re-examine their lives, and move forward in a positive direction.</p>
<b>RB</b>	<p><b>Victim Supports Program</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>\$25,000</b></span>  <i>Parkland Turning Point Society, Stony Plain</i>  The Victim Supports Program offers free treatment and counseling services for women and children who are victims of family violence, along with education and awareness programs that help to prevent further violence. Activities include three 12-week victim-therapy programs, as well as one-on-one counseling.</p>
<b>SE/ST</b>	<p><b>Weaving a Web of Hope</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>\$25,000</b></span>  <i>CEASE, Calgary</i>  This initiative helps women to heal from the violence of sexual exploitation and sex trafficking and begin to rebuild their lives. The women receive one-on-one trauma recovery counselling, peer support, relevant workshops, life coaching, and employment or educational opportunities.</p>
<b>SE/ST</b>	<p><b>Preventing Sex Trafficking of Women and Girls and Preventing Vicarious Trauma</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>\$15,000</b></span>  <i>Action Coalition on Human Trafficking Alberta Association (Act Alberta), Edmonton, AB</i>  Preventing Sex Trafficking of Women and Girls and preventing vicarious trauma aims to develop and implement a community action plan to address the sex trafficking of women and girls in Edmonton. The primary target population of this project is women and girls who have been trafficked for sexual exploitation or are at risk. A secondary target population is City of Edmonton administration and council, law enforcement, policy makers and others organizations who may also be identifying and responding to human trafficking.</p>

## BRITISH COLUMBIA

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<b>COM</b>	<p><b>The Campaign of Solidarity with Aboriginal Women</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>\$25,000</b></span>  <i>Poverty and Human Rights Centre, Vancouver</i>  This campaign is designed to build public awareness of the ongoing human rights crisis involving missing or murdered Aboriginal women and girls in Canada, and to demonstrate the need for systemic changes to governmental and police responses. The Campaign has three components: (1) outreach to civil society organizations, journalists, academics, and politicians; (2) production and distribution of accessible educational information and media kits; (3) press conferences and other public forums organized around the release of reports on violence against Aboriginal women in Canada.</p>
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- EMP Pass It On Girls Project** **\$22,450**  
*Robson Valley Support Society, McBride*  
 This project is a peer mentoring program for teen girls in remote areas of BC, including the communities of Crescent Spur, Dome Creek, McBride, Tete Jaune, and Valemount, as well as a large Mennonite community. The young women will be trained to act as peer mentors to younger teens, with a focus on violence awareness and prevention, self-esteem, critical-thinking skills, improved support networks, body image, girl-to-girl relationships, bullying and depression, gender issues, communication, and substance misuse/abuse. The mentors, along with an adult youth worker, will develop and present a workshop specifically tailored to address the health and emotional needs of the girls in their communities.
- HR Respectful Relationships** **\$25,000**  
*Quesnel Women's Resource Centre Society, Quesnel*  
 Through a series of 12 workshops, students in grades 8 and 10 will develop awareness of the systemic, gender-based nature of power in relationships, learn to become more assertive, develop a stronger sense of respect for themselves and others, and to learn how to collaborate and deal with conflict. The program also aims to increase students' understanding of the causes and effects of bullying, racism, and homophobia, as well as to develop insights about the cycles of abuse in relationships. The program is delivered by trained adult and youth facilitators, using interactive teaching and learning techniques.
- RB Jane Doe Legal Network and Advice Clinic** **\$28,000**  
*West Coast Leaf Association, Vancouver*  
 This program helps women and girls who have experienced violence and/or abuse to navigate the legal system by providing free legal advice and education on immigration/refugee law, child protection law, poverty law, family law, and criminal law. The program also offers workshops and online education on legal issues to women-serving organizations. These 'train the trainer' initiatives help to transfer legal skills and knowledge to front-line workers, who are usually women's primary source of legal support. The program also hosts monthly meetings between legal advocates and other service providers who work with women and girls who have experienced violence; this provides a valuable networking opportunity and also helps to shape the priorities for West Coast LEAF's systemic change work.
- RB Awakening the Warrior Woman Within** **\$24,000**  
*Victoria Native Friendship Centre, Victoria*  
 This program supports Aboriginal women on their healing journey towards family relationships that are loving, respectful, and violence-free. The women in the community — daughters, mothers, and grandmothers — have observed the impact of a program for Aboriginal men who use or have used violence in their intimate relationships and families: more community members are speaking out about violence, and the silence is being broken. As a result, the women have requested their own program. The launch of "Awakening the Warrior Woman Within" program for Aboriginal Women allows the Friendship Centre to provide a balance in healthy relationship awareness within the community.

- LN Home to Heal: Sources Rent Bank** **\$25,000**  
*Sources Community Resources Society, Surrey*  
 This program offers interest-free loans to women who have experienced domestic violence. These small loans, repaid over a two-year period, allow women to find safe housing by helping them to pay first and last month's rent, damage deposits, utility bills, and similar expenses. Without safe, secure housing, it is extremely difficult for women to rebuild their lives and heal from their experiences of violence. Current borrowers are living in low-income situations and include women who belong to marginalized groups, i.e., women who are Aboriginal, racialized, lesbian, youth or seniors, refugee or immigrant, and have physical disabilities.
- LN Castlegar and District Loan for Women** **\$25,000**  
*Castlegar and District Community Services Society, Castlegar*  
 This organization is the only one in the region that provides safe housing and supports for women who have experienced violence. The Castlegar and District Loan for Women program will provide interest-free micro-loans so women can pay for rent, damage deposits, utilities, groceries, school, furniture, moving expenses, and other approved items. The women also have access to outreach, counseling, and financial counseling. To ensure greater success, the women commit to work with staff and to complete workshops on financial budgeting.
- LN Violence Prevention Fund** **\$28,000**  
*Network of Inner City Community Services Society, Vancouver*  
 This project enhances the existing Vancouver Rent Bank by providing a pool of capital reserved for women who are fleeing violence or rebuilding their lives after experiencing violence. The program will also assist women to navigate government and community services to get the help they need. Research shows women are most likely to maintain their housing and repay loans when they have access to supportive services and strong connections with program workers.
- SE/ST Our Circle to Protect Sacred Lives (Phase II)** **\$25,000**  
*Saulteau First Nation, Moberly Lake, BC*  
*Our Circle to Protect Sacred Lives* partners urban-based community organizations with rural, isolated or remote First Nation communities, and other community based organizations, for a three-day training session to help each community build knowledge, a community-based anti-trafficking plan, and a strong sustainable network for information sharing, training and partnerships. The program model builds on community knowledge and strengths, and is specifically designed to honor the values and diversity of First Nation communities in which it operates. For example, community planning techniques involve Elders as wisdom keepers, Chief and Council for leadership, community members as helpers, and the use of culture, language and the land for healing.

## MANITOBA

- RB The Red Road to Healing Program** **\$25,000**  
*West Central Women's Resource Centre Inc., Winnipeg*  
 This program empowers Aboriginal women to rebuild their lives after experiencing family violence through culturally relevant activities that increase their understanding of family violence. The program supports their healing journey by emphasizing women's value and roles in the community, which helps to improve self-confidence. The program also addresses systemic barriers, helps women to connect with other women, provides individual and group supports, and offers mentorship opportunities that allow women to develop their leadership skills. It is recognized by the Canadian Department of Justice as a promising strategy for reducing violence and increasing safety for Aboriginal women.
- EMP Tilt(ing) the Scale Toward Anti-Violence** **\$28,000**  
*Spence Neighbourhood Association, Winnipeg*  
 This program provides a space within the community recreation centre for youth to tackle the major issues in the community. With the support of staff, girls in Winnipeg's west end develop a 24-week series of workshops and activities that address violence in the community, systemic violence, dating violence, and more. The girls gain the knowledge, strength and tools to become leaders for change and to play an ongoing role in program development. When the series concludes, the youth are provided with a budget to implement changes in the recreation centre and community; they will also design the next phase of the project.
- SE/ST Public Reporting and Awareness Campaign** **\$20,000**  
*Canadian Centre for Child Protection, Winnipeg, MB*  
 Public Reporting and Awareness Campaign - Online advertising of child sexual exploitation for the purpose of trafficking and prostitution. The Canadian Centre for Child Protection in Winnipeg will conduct a national project aimed at increasing the reporting of on-line sexual exploitation of children. They will research current trends in the trafficking of children in Canada, then develop and deliver a 3 month pilot awareness campaign on targeted websites aimed at encouraging Canadians to report incidence of child trafficking and child prostitution online to their [www.cybertip.ca](http://www.cybertip.ca) which is Canada's national tip line to report the online sexual exploitation of children.
- SE/ST Ndinawe Transitions Program** **\$25,000**  
*Ndinawemaaganag Endaawaad (Ndinawe), Winnipeg, MB*  
 This is a peer driven support program that provides aftercare to the graduates of Ndinawe's Child and Youth Care Certificate Program. Over the last 3 years, this program have selected alumni to coordinate and facilitate the weekly meetings from September to June each year. On average there were 8-12 participants per meeting. The facilitators and alumni assemble a list of topics and presentations that they feel would be useful for both professional and personal development. The facilitators' task is to find speakers, plan activities, shop for supplies and communicate weekly information. Much discussion centers on supporting each other's struggles in the workplace and with issues that arise due to being an experiential individual in the potentially triggering field of child and youth care.

## NEW BRUNSWICK

- RB** **Between Sisters Peer Support Program** **\$27,028**  
*Beauséjour Family Crisis Resource Center Inc., Shediac*  
 This project works to prevent violence for women in rural communities, by addressing barriers to community services. Women who have experienced family violence are matched with a peer mentor who shares her own experience, support, and guidance.

## NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

- SE/ST/MP** **Safe & Healthy: Preventing Sexual Exploitation and Abuse of Young Women At Risk** **\$16,440**  
*Stella's Circle, St. John's*  
 This is a 10-week mentoring and support group for young women who are at-risk for sexual exploitation and violence. The women are aged 16 to 19 and live in poverty. Most have a history of violence or trauma, and require health care, mental health services, and financial support. Most are current or former residents of Naomi Centre, an emergency shelter for young women. Some have been coerced or exploited into exchanging sex for housing, food, or other necessities. Through this project, the young women develop the leadership skills necessary to advocate for themselves and their peers, and to navigate government and community services in order to get the help they need.

## NOVA SCOTIA

- HR** **Healthy Relationships for Youth** **\$24,901**  
*Second Story Women's Centre, Lunenburg*  
 This is a peer-facilitated, school-based violence prevention program delivered in two mostly rural counties in southwestern Nova Scotia. The program consists of 12 sessions delivered in the grade nine health curriculum by trained senior high school student facilitators and the classroom teacher. The sessions help to prevent violence by increasing students' knowledge about healthy relationships, as well as the skills needed to create and maintain them. Students also learn to make the links between different forms of oppression, exclusion, and violence. The program is developed by the Antigonish Women's Resource Centre and Sexual Assault Services Association, and is delivered by Second Story Women's Centre in partnership with the South Shore Regional School Board.
- EMP** **Gender and Sexuality Alliance Mentorship Program** **\$13,170**  
*The Youth Project, Halifax*  
 This project helps to create connections between new and established Gender and Sexuality Alliances (GSAs) through facilitated team-building activities. GSAs receive small grants that allow them to collaborate on projects in schools or within communities. The groups then document the collaboration for the GSA Network website, which improves knowledge, builds connections, and fosters a sense of community. Through this project, students can exercise the leadership skills they developed through previous "GSA Roadshows" and develop a sense of responsibility and commitment to the issues.



- HR/RB** **RespectED: Violence and Abuse Prevention Program** **\$28,000**  
*Isaksimagit Inuusirmi Katujjiqatigiit Embrace Life Council, Iqaluit*  
 In this project, the Embrace Life Council will bring the RespectED program to the community of Kimmirut. This program, which was developed by the Canadian Red Cross, uses a holistic wellness model consisting of a sustainable 10-step plan. The plan includes violence-prevention training and the creation of a Community Prevention Team. In addition to preventing violence, the program also helps to increase the core competencies of key community members by equipping them with the skills to actively create healthier communities. Approximately four training sessions lasting 3-5 days will be held in Kimmirut throughout the year.

## ONTARIO

- EMP** **Girls Creating Change** **\$25,000**  
*Sexual Assault Centre London, London*  
 This is an 8-week discussion group that provides a safe space for young women aged 14-18 to engage in meaningful dialogue about important topics that impact their everyday lives, such as: gender identity, self-esteem, boundaries, assertiveness, healthy sexuality, power/privilege, violence, self-harm, bullying, agency, leadership, and how to take action. The discussion helps the young women to develop the knowledge to build healthy relationships and to address gender-based violence in their own lives, and the lives of people they know.
- EMP** **L'anonymat des Médias sociaux ≠ le droit d'exploiter sexuellement \$25,000 les enfants et les femmes!**  
*CALACS francophone d'Ottawa, Ottawa*  
 Through this project, girls and boys aged 14 to 19 learn about cyber-violence, at school and at home, by examining how they use information and communications technologies (ICT). The project also aims to develop effective solutions to eliminate cyber sexual violence in school settings and to bring together community partners to provide resources for girls and women who have been victims of cyber sexual violence. Workshops are designed to meet the needs of French-speaking girls and women who have been victims of cyber violence. In addition, francophone high schools in Ottawa and local and provincial partners are engaged in eliminating cyber violence against girls and women.
- COM** **Building an Inclusive Blueprint for Canada's National Action Plan on Violence Against Women & Girls** **\$28,000**  
*Canadian Network for Women's Shelters and Transition Houses, Ottawa*  
 The United Nations' UNiTE to End Violence against Women campaign has called on all national governments to adopt and implement National Action Plans (NAPs) by 2015. Though many provinces have action plans, Canada does not yet have a NAP and thus will not meet the UN target. This project seeks to develop a blueprint on a national action plan for violence against women with key partners in a collaborative manner. The Canadian Network for Women's Shelters and Transition Houses has taken the lead on this initiative, which brings together over 20 partners and stakeholders.

- SS Gayenawahsra Counsellor** **\$28,000**  
*Ganohkwahsra Family Assault Support Services, Ohsweken*  
 Gayenawahsra is a Cayuga word that means: “Helping Ourselves.” The goal of the program is to support Aboriginal women to live a safe, violence-free environment. This grant enables a Gayenawahsra Counsellor to provide individual and group sessions to Six Nations Women and children who have been greatly impacted and immobilized by family violence and abuse. The programs and services consist of children’s groups, regular parenting support sessions, adult groups, one-on-one counselling sessions for women and their children. After they complete the program, participants will receive aftercare support to continue helping them to overcome the trauma experienced in an abusive relationship.
- HR Walking Together Project** **\$24,806**  
*Victim Services Toronto, Toronto*  
 This project aims to adapt the highly successful and replicable Youth Leadership program of T.E.A.R. (Teens Ending Abusive Relationships) in a meaningful and engaging way for Aboriginal youth and the Aboriginal community. The program consists of a healthy relationships workshop, grounded in gender- based analysis, and established for youth between the ages of 12 and 18. T.E.A.R. workshops are delivered in middle and secondary schools across Toronto and reach more than 10,000 youth annually. Walking Together is a partnership project between Victim Services Toronto, Native Child and Family Services of Toronto, and Toronto Police Service.
- RB Rebuilding Lives through Peer Intervention** **\$25,000**  
*Regent Park Community Health Centre, Toronto*  
 This violence prevention initiative helps homeless and street-involved women who have experienced or are at-risk of experiencing violence to rebuild their lives and improve their safety. The program builds on previous funding from the Canadian Women’s Foundation by training peers – women who have also experienced homelessness or street-involvement – to facilitate sessions at four women’s drop-in programs in the Greater Toronto Area. The program conducts outreach to women who are most at-risk, and helps women to access health care, social supports, housing, educational programs, and employment programs.
- SS Second Stage Housing Support** **\$26,372**  
*People in Transition (My Sister’s Place), Alliston*  
 This facility consists of five one-bedroom units connected to an existing shelter and is designed to be a “next step” for women who are leaving the shelter and preparing to rebuild their lives. The women are provided with on-site outreach support. Support from the Canadian Women’s Foundation offsets the women’s living expenses, which allows them to save the necessary funds to prepare for the next phase of their journey to independence.
- RB Linguistically Appropriate Access to Justice Services for South Asian Women** **\$28,000**  
*South Asian Women’s Centre, Toronto*  
 This project addresses increasing levels of violence against South Asian women, including newcomer brides who have been forced into a marriage. Many of these women do not speak English or French and are therefore unable to find help. This project provides much-needed counselling and communication support for minority women. A trained Domestic Violence Counsellor will provide one- on-one and group counselling, and help the women to access emergency shelters, housing, employment, childcare, and legal support. They will also accompany the women during appointments with government and community services, and to court hearings.

- SS Second Stage Housing** **\$25,000**  
*Women's House Serving Bruce and Grey, Kincardine*  
 This program offers safe, affordable housing to women and their children who are fleeing abusive relationships and other forms of violence. Women and their children may live in the facility for up to one year, with extensions possible if needed. This gives women the necessary time to rebuild their lives in a safe, secure environment that includes on-site access to supportive services.
- LN Next Step Program** **\$25,000**  
*Moving Forward 2015 Foundation, Vaughan*  
 This micro-loan program is offered in partnership with 15 organizations, in order to ensure women who have experienced violence have the financial assistance they need to move forward in their lives. Organizations such as shelters and outreach programs refer clients in need; those who meet the criteria may receive an interest-free micro-loan of up to \$1,000. These funds are typically used to pay rent or household bills and a repayment schedule is established. This project enjoys high repayment rates; several recipients have repaid their loans in full. As loans are repaid, the funds are re-loaned to new recipients, creating perpetual opportunity for the community.
- SE/ST Safe Passages** **\$28,000**  
*Women's Support Network (WSN) of York Region, York Region, Toronto, ON*  
 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.

## QUÉBEC

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- RB The Financial Skills and Literacy Training Project** **\$28,000**  
*National Aboriginal Circle Against Family Violence/Cercle National des Autochtones Contre La Violence Familiale, Kahnawake*  
 This project will help to increase financial literacy and skills for Aboriginal women living on a reserve. A training toolkit will be developed that includes a workbook plus "train-the-trainer" and instructor manuals to be used by staff at the local women's shelter. The shelter directors will train the front-line staff, who will deliver a 6-hour workshop to the clients of the shelter. Information for workshop content will be gathered from consultations with other on-reserve shelters in each province and territory in Canada.

- SS Ensemble, mettons fin à la violence! [Working together to eliminate violence] \$20,000**  
*Maison d'hébergement et de Transition L'Egide, La Prairie*  
 This housing facility provides temporary, affordable and safe housing to women and children who have experienced abuse. During their stay for up to 12 months, the families also receive personalized counselling. The project design is unique: it is a “de-victimization” program consisting of thematic workshops facilitated by partners with expertise in education. The workshops focus on self-esteem, empowerment, and integration into a life free from violence. Each workshop is followed by a group discussion, which focuses on learning and sharing in a non-judgemental environment. The discussions are designed to offer women tools for developing greater autonomy.
- HR Parcours des couloirs de la violence amoureuse [Through the Corridors of Dating Violence] \$26,900**  
*La Pointe du jour Calacs sept-iles, Sept Iles*  
 This innovative multimedia tool created by Solution Publicité takes the form of a labyrinth measuring 12 X 8 metres that presents the love story of a teenage couple. The multimedia presentation includes videos and special effects and focuses on the daily life of teens (SMSes, cyber communications, etc.). The reconstructed living environments (bedroom, school, police intervention, youth court, etc.) are extremely realistic and contemporary. Accompanied by a guide and trained peer support workers, youth explore the exhibit and learn about the warning signs of dating violence, its cycle and progression, possible consequences of violence, and ways to end it. Participation includes all Grade 10 students in Port-Cartier and du Havre St-Pierre, including Anglophone and Aboriginal students, and teens living in youth protection group homes.
- EMP Young South Asian Women’s Support Group \$25,000**  
*South Asian Women’s Community Centre, Montreal*  
 The goal of this project is to empower young South Asian women aged 15 to 17 to prevent and eliminate gender-based violence in their lives. This project creates a safe space for participants who are experiencing violence in interpersonal relationships. It also encourages participants to empower other young women to build their own support groups. The skills and knowledge gained establish the foundation for young women to spearhead larger-scale projects and campaigns that will provide opportunities for solidarity across the country.
- SE/ST/EMP Déclit Sans P ni E \$25,000**  
*Action jeunesse St-Pie X de Longueuil Inc., Longueuil*  
 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/COM Network for the Protection of Trafficked Women \$25,000**  
*Canadian Council For Refugees/Conseil Canadien Pour Les Refugies, Montreal*  
 This project helps nonprofit organizations across Canada to improve their ability to help people who are being sex trafficked, especially women and girls. Project activities include awareness-raising, networking, advocacy to address systemic gaps and barriers, outreach, and services to trafficked persons. Building on current and past projects funded by the Canadian Women’s Foundation, the project is working with an existing organizational network to respond to needs and to address gaps that have been identified by partner organizations across Canada.

- SE/ST Filles averties, engagées et hors danger (Girls informed, engaged and out of danger) \$28,000**  
*Concertation des luttes contre l'exploitation sexuelle (CLES), Montreal, QC*  
 This project will allow trained young women (14 to 19) to facilitate awareness workshops on violence against women and girls using, among other educational tools and activities, the documentary created by CLES "The Oldest Lie". They will be presenting their work to three communities in the Montreal area, becoming change-makers as they engage their peers around the question of sexual exploitation. There are significant partnerships with ethno-cultural organizations in the targeted neighbourhoods. These neighbourhoods were chosen based on partnerships already existing, new partnership and the possibility of reaching out to a large number of young women including young girls who are at risk of being sexually exploited.
- SE/ST Juste pour elles (Just for the Girls) \$50,000**  
*Maison d' Haiti, Montreal*  
 This organization provides services to address social integration issues for Haitian and other newcomer communities in the Saint Michel area of Montreal. They offer settlement, orientation, employability, French literacy, parenting, women's counselling etc. Youth programs focus on school retention, countering gang recruitment and preventing sexual exploitation. Juste pour elles (Just for the Girls) aims to raise awareness around sexual exploitation and develop self-esteem so that young women can face the challenges of peer pressure. Using skills building activities, girls will learn to recognize sexual predators and gang recruiters and learn to think critically about sexual exploitation, and discuss use of internet, sexting, and live webcam chats. The program will also inform parents of the risks of recruitment. This program aims to reach 60 girls.
- SE/ST Preventing Sexual Exploitation \$25,000**  
*YWCA Montreal, Montreal*  
 YWCA Montreal provides services for women and girls in the area of housing, psychosocial and community support, social, cultural and economic integration and also violence prevention. They encourage women's personal growth and aim to prevent all forms of violence through an empowerment model. The Preventing Sexual Exploitation program proposes to work with girls to reduce the risk factors, and increase the protective factors for at-risk girls in group settings where they will meet in a safe space at the school. Because of the intense nature of the work, the groups will remain small, reaching 18-24 girls through the year. Class presentations will raise awareness with a larger number of students. A minimum of 300 students (boys and girls) will participate.

## SASKATCHEWAN

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| <b>EMP</b>   | <b>Girls Night Out</b><br><i>Hudson Bay Family and Support Centre, Hudson Bay</i><br>Hudson Bay is a rural, secluded community with a population of only 1,700. The Family & Support Centre is the only community-based organization that offers programs to teens. The Girls Night Out program provides a safe, violence-free place for teens in Grades 7 to 9 to interact and explore topics such as healthy relationships, dating violence, sexual assault, empowerment, gender stereotypes, and healthy lifestyles. The project runs throughout the school year and concludes with an out-of-town retreat.  | <b>\$28,000</b> |
| <b>COM</b>   | <b>Best Practices for Providing Services for Older Women Who have Experienced Abuse</b><br><i>Provincial Association of Transition Houses and Services of Saskatchewan (PATHS), Regina</i><br>This project produces research and training modules on best practices for service provision for senior women who have experienced abuse. Research materials and online webinars are made available to staff of PATHS member agencies. Funding also supports the facilitation of technology workshops at member agencies and evaluation of the training program's effectiveness in preparing shelter and service staff for work with senior women who have experienced abuse.  | <b>\$28,000</b> |
| <b>SE/ST</b> | <b>Cyber Outreach</b><br><i>EGADZ Youth Centre, Saskatoon</i><br>The Cyber Outreach intends to focus on women, children and youth who being sexually exploited via social Media. During their work with sexually exploited youth, they have found very unique characteristics on how youth are recruited and lured for the purposes of sexual exploitation. Youth with lived experience of sexual exploitation and sex trafficking are the best intelligence on how to navigate the complex on-line and social media systems. The goal of this project is to establish an experiential youth committee to oversee and develop a website and a phone application (app) that will allow an avenue to access assistance and links for life saving services and support within Saskatoon and Province of Saskatchewan with the assistance of a website designer/consultant. A Youth Committee will be supported by the Sexual Exploitation Intervention Committee that consists of Police, Addictions and Mental Health, Saskatoon Tribal Council, Ministry of Social Services, Education, Housing, Street Outreach, Operation Help, and other valuable programs within EGADZ Youth Centre. | <b>\$20,000</b> |

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| <b>COM</b> | <b>Together for Justice</b><br><i>Liard Aboriginal Women's Society, Watson Lake</i><br>In collaboration with the Watson Lake RCMP Detachment, community service providers and Kaska women, a project coordinator will begin implementing the Together for Justice Protocol. Activities will include research into best practices for violence pr developing a working group to bridge the gaps between service providers and the First Nations community on addressing violence against women. The working group holds regular community meetings to ensure collaboration and mutual support. | <b>\$25,000</b> |
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