

YWCA Hartford Region

YWCA Hartford Region is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. **YWCA Hartford Region** is part of a legacy that places it at the forefront of movements for racial justice, fair pay and equality for women.

Young Women's Leadership Corps (YWLC) is a free after-school program that aims to **empower young women** to identify and to achieve educational and personal goals. Young women focus on increasing financial capability, career planning and exploration and personal growth. The young women participate in activities such as college planning, community service, wellness workshops and social events to help prepare for the future, set goals and build self-esteem. YWLC works with the Metropolitan Learning Center in Bloomfield, High School, Inc in Hartford, Windsor High School and East Hartford High School.

Stand Against Racism raises awareness about the existence of **racism** in our communities. The program combats the spread of hate, celebrates the richness of diversity, and proclaims that racism will not be tolerated. It invites organizations of all types to take a stand by hosting or participating in an organized activity.

Child Care: Early Learning Centers offer convenient, affordable, **quality child care** for infants, toddlers and preschoolers. The centers are rich with activities that stimulate physical, mental, social and emotional development. Programs are located in Hartford, East Hartford and West Hartford. **YW Kidslink**, for students in kindergarten through 5th grade, is a before- and after- school child care program that offers creative activities for children. YW Kidslink is located in Bolton, Rocky Hill, West Hartford and Wethersfield.

Teens as Successful Parents (TSP) program partners with schools to offer **services to young parents** in East Hartford and Manchester. The program is designed to ensure teen mothers graduate from high school and are ready for college or a career while learning to be good parents. While young parents attend school, their children are cared for in a safe, healthy, and nurturing environment. Teen parents strengthen their attachments and participate in parenting activities.

Financial Education for Women: The **Money Conference for Women** is an annual conference focusing on **money management**, investment and retirement strategies for women of all ages, economic backgrounds and levels of financial knowledge. The program addresses the unique financial issues women face in their work and personal lives.

Emergency Shelter and Supportive Housing: Soromundi Commons is an innovative **supportive housing** facility managed in collaboration with Chrysalis Center, Inc. It provides an emergency shelter for women, transitional housing and permanent affordable apartments for men and women as they move toward stable housing. This nationally recognized model offers a continuum of services on-site, including case management, job counseling, health care and a community learning center.

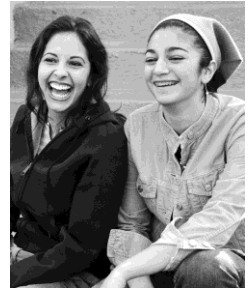
Last year the YWCA Hartford Region served more than 1,300 women and children.

Find out how you can help YWCA Hartford Region in its work.

Go to www.ywcahartford.org or call **(860) 525-1163**.

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YWCA Hartford Region strengthens the community by providing:

- Child care for more than **900** children in seven towns
- A strong advocacy voice for issues affecting women and girls
- Safe and supportive housing for more than **150** individuals
- A teen parent program for **16** teens to help them graduate high school, prepare for college or a career while learning to be good parents.
- Leadership development skills for more than **230** young women
- Financial education for **325** women
- Free tax preparation for more than **170** individuals through the **Volunteer Income Tax Assistance** initiative
- Racial justice awareness activities for more than **3,000** individuals through the **Stand Against Racism**



Funding:

Programs and services of **YWCA Hartford Region** are supported by government contracts, non-government grants from foundations and corporations, program fees and private donations. The operating budget is also supported by an annual fundraising event, the **In the Company of Women** Luncheon.

Ways you can help YWCA Hartford Region:

Join us: Become a member and have a lasting impact.

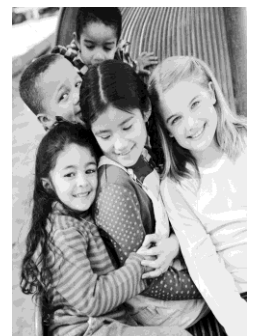
Sustain us: Donate to make a difference.

Volunteer with us: Your time and talents are invaluable.

Advocate with us: Our social action and advocacy work improves lives.

Support us: The **Money Conference for Women** happens because of the generosity of donors.

Sponsor us: Our **In the Company of Women** Luncheon is your perfect opportunity.



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