



YOUR IMPACT IN 2018

BAY ST. (TORONTO)

THANK YOU FOR CHANGING LIVES IN YOUR COMMUNITY!

A NEW
RECORD!

EVA'S INITIATIVES \$390,000

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- It is estimated that there are at least 10,000 homeless youth in Toronto during the year, and as many as 2,000 on any given night
- Almost 70% of youth identify fighting, physical abuse, psychological abuse, parental drug and alcohol-related issues, and sexual abuse as the major reasons for them leaving home

Eva's Initiatives provides safe spaces and support for 123 homeless youth aged 16-24 every night. Each facility is designed to help youth with their unique circumstances transition out of homelessness and on to independent living. Eva's staff work with each homeless youth to develop a personalized action plan. This plan is designed to empower each young person to achieve both short and long-term personal and career goals. Eva's Initiatives is more than a shelter, it's a fresh start.

Funds raised have helped to establish and maintain the Recreation, Health and Wellness Program, which promotes physical activity, engagement in sports, health & wellness, arts and culture and provides positive role modelling for healthy relationships. Recreation contributes significantly in supporting homeless youth to live healthier lifestyles. The program builds connections between the youth and the broader community, as youth are much more likely to have positive housing options and brighter futures when their community connections are strengthened. These connections help youth access other opportunities – for example, they may learn of employment and housing opportunities through others. Youth develop leadership skills as well, and involvement in contributing to program leadership enables youth to contribute, lead and build transferable skills.



WILDERNESS CANOE TRIP FROM EVA'S

KEY COMPONENTS

- Sports
- One on one goal setting
- Wellness Bundle Activities
- Youth Lead Activities
- Nutritional Training
- Team Building Initiatives
- Transformative Experiences (sailing, camping, rock climbing)
- Arts and Culture
- Martial Arts

CONTRIBUTIONS TO END HOMELESSNESS: \$390,000

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