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2024 Break The Silence - Step In My Shoes Walk

York Region, Ontario – October 21, 2024 – On Sunday, November 3rd, Yellow Brick House's 2024 *Break the Silence - Step in My Shoes Walk* is being held at St. Andrew's College, 15800 Yonge St, Aurora, Ontario.

This is an annual intimate partner violence awareness walk and an opportunity to raise funds to support Yellow Brick House's life-saving services and prevention programs for women and children fleeing violence and abuse. **The goal is to raise \$100,000 in support of Yellow Brick House's Nights of Safety program**, supporting unfunded shelter beds.

"Yellow Brick House services save lives by providing critical support and shelter to women and children escaping violent and abusive homes." said Lorris Herenda, Chief Executive Officer, Yellow Brick House. "By walking we not only celebrate their strength, but we also show women and children that they matter, that we as a community care, and make their safety a priority. We show them that we are walking towards eradicating violence against women and children."

Last year, an impressive **\$118,000 was raised** for our public education program, a testament to the generosity and support of our community. This year, we aim to strengthen our efforts by raising vital funds for the Nights of Safety program, ensuring that women and children have a safe place to turn when they need it most.

In addition to the walk, there will be a ceremony to honor the lives lost to domestic violence this past year, and we are privileged to have a survivor share her powerful story of resilience and hope.

Join the movement with Yellow Brick House on **Sunday, November 3rd, from 10 am to 12 pm at the St. Andrew's College** to break the silence against violence in our community! The Break The Silence Step in My Shoes Walk starts at 10 am with entertainment, including light refreshments and lunch.

Registration is free: <https://yellowbrickhouse-2024walk.raiselysite.com/>

For more information about the event and how to get involved, visit www.yellowbrickhouse.org

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Since 1978, Yellow Brick House has been providing life-saving services and prevention programs to meet the diverse needs of individuals, families and communities impacted by violence. Our Vision is Freedom from violence. Equality for all. The organization is committed to providing a wide range of free and confidential support services to women and children experiencing abuse and violence and empowering them to transition to a violence free lives.

For more information about Yellow Brick House, visit yellowbrickhouse.org

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