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Ontario Investing in New Supports to Address Gender-based Violence

\$670,990 investment will support community initiatives that help prevent violence and support survivors in Richmond Hill

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Richmond Hill — The Ontario government is taking action to prevent and address gender-based violence and support survivors in Richmond Hill by investing \$670,990 over three years in Yellow Brick House and their new project Pathway to Recovery: Family Healing & Preventing Violence that will support women and children impacted by domestic violence through early intervention, trauma-informed mental health care, and culturally sensitive support.

“Our government is continuing to take action to end gender-based violence in all its forms,” said Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services. “I’m proud that Ontario is funding new and innovative projects across the province that will prevent gender-based violence before it occurs. These projects tackle the root causes and are critical to breaking the cycle of abuse. Together with community partners, we are supporting local solutions and building safer and healthier communities for generations to come.”

This investment is part of Ontario’s actions to better respond to violence, build safer and healthier communities, and support women’s well-being and economic opportunities through [Ontario’s action plan to end gender-based violence](#).

“Yellow Brick House has long been a pillar of support and advocacy for survivors of gender-based violence in Richmond Hill, and I am proud to recognize the Ontario government’s investment in their vital work,” said Daisy Wai, MPP for Richmond Hill. “This funding reflects Ontario’s commitment to ensuring Yellow Brick House has the resources they need to prevent gender-based violence and promote the wellbeing of survivors in our community.”

Quick facts

Ontario is investing approximately \$98 million in up to 83 new initiatives across the province that will focus on building safer communities, stopping gender-based violence before it happens, and helping survivors to recover and rebuild their lives. The ministry is currently working to confirm project details and funding agreements with the organizations that will deliver the new initiatives.



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This funding builds on Ontario's existing investments of \$1.4 billion over four years in community support programs that prevent gender-based violence and support survivors. The investment is part of Ontario's \$162 million agreement with the federal government to implement the National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence.

Quotes

"By strengthening community-based services and improving economic security for survivors, our government is continuing to help prevent violence and support survivors so they can heal, rebuild their lives, and achieve financial stability for themselves and their families. I look forward to seeing how these new projects and their innovative approaches will help address gender-based violence in communities across Ontario."

– Charmaine Williams, Associate Minister of Women's Social and Economic Opportunity

"Yellow Brick House is deeply grateful for the support of the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS) for our *Pathway to Recovery: Family Healing & Preventing Violence Project*. This initiative introduces innovative, trauma-informed programs designed to support mothers and children who have experienced domestic violence and abuse, helping them to recover from trauma and rebuild their lives."

– Pamela Deveau, Manager of Fund Development, Yellow Brick House

Additional Resources

[Ontario's action plan to end gender-based violence](#)

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