

WHAT WE DO

YWCA Missoula is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.

Based in The Meadowlark, our programs aim to end domestic and sexual violence, help unsheltered families obtain stable housing, and transform Missoula into a place where all people, regardless of their race or gender, have opportunities for growth, leadership, and power.

Last year, YWCA Missoula served 2,690 people across five programs.

Ending Domestic and Sexual Violence

We provide life-saving services to survivors of domestic and sexual violence, stalking, and human trafficking. The **Pathways Program** includes a 24-hour crisis hotline and response, emergency shelter for adults and children fleeing abusive situations, transitional housing, support groups, mental health counseling and legal support.



Over 40 survivors received free legal services for over 100 distinct legal matters





For survivors who have children with their abuser, shared custody or visitation arrangements can be frightening, or even dangerous. Planet Kids Supervised Visitation and Exchange Center provides a safe, child-friendly environment for noncustodial parents to visit with or exchange their children when domestic violence has occurred within the family.





Changing Lives

We work with unhoused families to find and maintain safe, stable housing and achieve self-sufficiency. **YWCA Housing Programs** include short-term emergency shelter in the Family Housing Center (jointly operated by the YWCA and MIC's Family Promise), case management, assistance with basic resources, and funding for rental assistance.



261 families, including **347 children**, accessed emergency housing or other supportive services



45 families moved into permanent housing with the support of YWCA rental assistance

Transforming Our Community

At YWCA Missoula, we are committed to building a world of equity and human decency. The **Racial Justice Initiative** includes community outreach, education and partnerships, as well as internal training, to better address both immediate needs of BIPOC program participants and the root causes of those needs.

We build resilience in children and help set them up for brighter futures. Our therapeutic **Youth Services** aim to reduce the impacts of trauma on children and families who have experienced homelessness and domestic violence.

GUTS! is a community-based leadership and empowerment program for girls and gender diverse youth. It includes after-school groups, summer adventures, and service projects.

244 children attended therapeutic group activities, received behavioral support, and/or were empowered through GUTS! programs



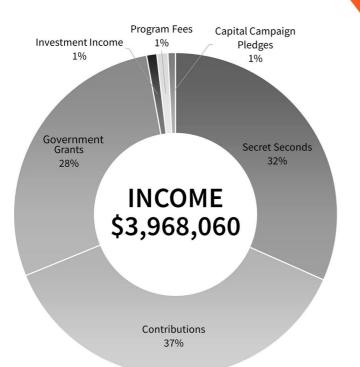
My favorite place is the YWCA.
Because it's really fun. All of the movies are free. There is a park outside. There is a lot of people.
I make a lot of friends.

YOUR SUPPORT

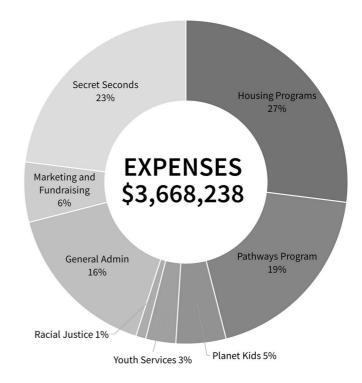
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Our services are also provided in part by volunteers and practicum students, who gave a total of 7,937 hours last year

to our programs.



2,018 donors made a gift last year. Average donation - \$544



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