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empowering women

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**ywca southeastern massachusetts  
2013 annual report**



Jaliyah, age 8, YWkids





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

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# dear ywca family &



In January 2013, YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts began an exciting journey as we started the implementation of our new three-year strategic plan. Please know that the YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts Board and Staff remains fully dedicated to ensuring that all participants receive quality services that will enhance the work we are doing in the community. We hope that you can see the significant effort we are putting into implementing our strategic plan and completing our capital campaign so that we can strengthen our brand, our capacity and our overall impact as an organization. We are extremely proud of what we have been able to accomplish to date and we are equally optimistic about our future and what we will continue to achieve.

We have made great strides in year one of this plan: hired a part-time Development Associate, expanded our Girls Exclusive Program to more

schools in New Bedford, as well as offering new programs in Fall River and Wareham; embarked on an innovative social media campaign on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, You Tube, LinkedIn and Constant Contact; featured over 120 amazing community women as part of our YWoman media campaign; designed new program flyers, translated materials into other languages, celebrated the 10th anniversary of our Red Dress Signature event, and the 25th anniversary of our YWkids Program and that is just the short list!

At every board and staff meeting, through our daily work with participants and through individualized staff and programmatic workplans, we ensured that our new strategic plan will be a living and breathing document; utilizing it to inform our decision-making, organizational planning, and the creation of new initiatives that will lead us into the future.

While we are all keenly aware that we still have much more work ahead, I do hope that after you review our annual report, you will be as pleased as I am about the numerous accomplishments and the impact we have had this year. Working with Nicole Almeida, our new Board President has been a pleasure. She has taken the helm of the Board with great enthusiasm and creativity. She is leading our strategic plan implementation and the final stages of our capital campaign, with a groundbreaking scheduled for spring 2014. I am excited about the impact that the new board members that joined us in 2013 have had on our organization, and I look forward to the new ones joining us in 2014. Of course, I will miss the board members leaving in December, but will keep them close as they are true advocates in the community for the YWCA.

Many thanks to those who have volunteered countless hours and have given of their time, treasure and talent. You have our gratitude and appreciation for our efforts over the past year. Thank you also to our Board and Staff for their tireless dedication to the Mission, programs and participants of the YWCA. Thank you to our volunteers and supporters for your patience and understanding of the challenges we all face as we continue to work together to strengthen our organization and build a brighter future for the YWCA and women, girls and families in our community.

*Gail M. Fortes*

Gail M. Fortes  
Executive Director



Name, age ?  
Girls Exclusive



# friends,



I cannot believe 2013 has come and gone as quickly as it has! It seems like just yesterday, that I began my newest journey with the YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts as Board Chair. Even after four years of service on the board under my belt, two as Vice Chair, I was nervous and quite unsure of my ability to live up to the invaluable legacies of past chairs. (And yes, I still am!)

Part of my role as chairwoman is to lead the board and ensure it is focused on its oversight of management and the delivery of our strategy. I am lucky, with this highly talented, passionate and dedicated board, that's actually the easy part!

The board and I began the year armed with a new, three-year strategic plan focused on revitalization and completion of the capital campaign, building our identity within the community through advocacy and clearer brand awareness, as well

as, ongoing board, staff and program development. We have tackled the issues head on, adjusted where necessary and continue to move through the plan at a steady pace. Gail and her staff have also worked diligently on the plan, and have completed many strategic initiatives at the operational level. Ideas are discussed at every staff meeting and each team member has contributed in some way. They have taken ownership of the plan and consistently incorporated the initiatives into their day to day operations.

It's a comprehensive plan that will take us to the next level...and WE ARE READY!! On behalf of the Board of Directors we are proud to present the 2012-2013 Annual Report of the YWCA Southeastern MA. The YWCA SEMA has grown to a membership of over 100 members dedicated to the YWCA's mission of eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.

The highlights and financial statement included in this Annual Report reflect the enormous difference our staff and volunteers make in Southeastern Massachusetts. These accomplishments are possible because of the commitment and generosity of our members, community partners, and donors alike.

As always, the YWCA Southeastern MA looks forward to a bright future of continued service in the SouthCoast, informed and guided by the significant efforts and accomplishments of those who have come before us.

Nicole Almeida  
President



Zayden, age 8, YWkids



Nathias, age 7, YWkids

**Check out this fantastic video highlighting our 2013 YWkids Summer Program and be ready to dance in your seat!**



# income/expenses

YWCA Southeastern MA FY 2013  
audited figures completed 10/28/13  
by Hodgson, Pratt, Pratt, Saunders and Associates

	FY2013	FY2012	\$ Change	Notes
<b>REVENUE</b>				
Contributions, Gifts, Legacies, Bequests & Special Events	176,547	662,836	(486,289)	Received \$300,000 bequest and two \$100,000 gifts in FY'12
Grants	639,692	761,887	(122,195)	Reduction in private grants; also less children at YWkids in FY'13
Program Service Fees	71,898	87,201	(15,303)	Less Residents in FY'13
Investment Revenue	32,072	(2,539)	29,533	
Other Revenue	4,058	8,475	(4,417)	
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>924,267</b>	<b>1,517,860</b>	<b>(593,593)</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
Administration (Management & General)	172,764	180,810	(8,046)	
Fundraising	120,223	137,170	(16,947)	Capital campaign expenses
Total Program Services	662,761	608,357	54,404	Increase in girls programs
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>955,748</b>	<b>926,337</b>	<b>29,411</b>	
<b>EXCESS (Deficit)</b>	<b>(31,481)</b>	<b>591,523</b>	<b>(560,042)</b>	

# balance sheet

YWCA Southeastern MA FY 2013  
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BALANCE SHEET	FY2013	FY2012	\$ Change	Notes
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Current Assets				
Checking/Savings	354,305	39,228	315,077	Increase in campaign
Accounts Receivable	43,527	223,128	(179,601)	FY'12 bequest funds
Total Current Assets	397,832	262,356	135,476	
Pledges Receivables	77,022	82,457	(5,435)	
Endowment	191,689	336,164	(144,475)	\$300,000 bequest FY'12
Other Assets	407,429	433,489	(26,060)	
Prepaid Assets	1,091	1,157	(66)	
Fixed Assets, net of accumulated depreciation	1,375,272	1,315,448	59,824	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>2,450,335</b>	<b>2,431,071</b>	<b>19,264</b>	
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>				
Liabilities				
Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable	68,428	35,844	32,584	
Accrued Expenses	19,490	18,670	820	
Line of credit	91,597	72,980	18,617	
Other current liabilities	667	1,943	(1,276)	
Total Current Liabilities	180,182	129,437	50,745	
Long Term Liabilities	396,000	396,000	0	347 Pleasant Street A Woman's Place
Total Liabilities	576,182	525,437	50,745	
Equity	1,874,153	1,905,634	(31,481)	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>2,450,335</b>	<b>2,431,071</b>	<b>19,264</b>	



# capital campaign

## under one roof



We are so very close! Less than \$675,000 is left to raise toward the YWCA's \$5.1 million Under One Roof capital campaign for a LEED-certified, 17,000 square foot building addition adjacent to the restored Levi Standish House. This long-awaited project is about to become a reality for the YWCA, all those who benefit from our programs and services, and for the Greater New Bedford community. We simply cannot wait to break ground on this transformational project.

In 2013, we earned generous commitments from St. Anne's Credit Union, CHT Foundation, Demoulas Foundation, Charlesbank Homes, numerous individuals and from MassDevelopment, as the representative for the \$1 million grant from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. We also extend our deep gratitude to Webster Bank for working closely with the YWCA in 2013 to secure the necessary construction loan.

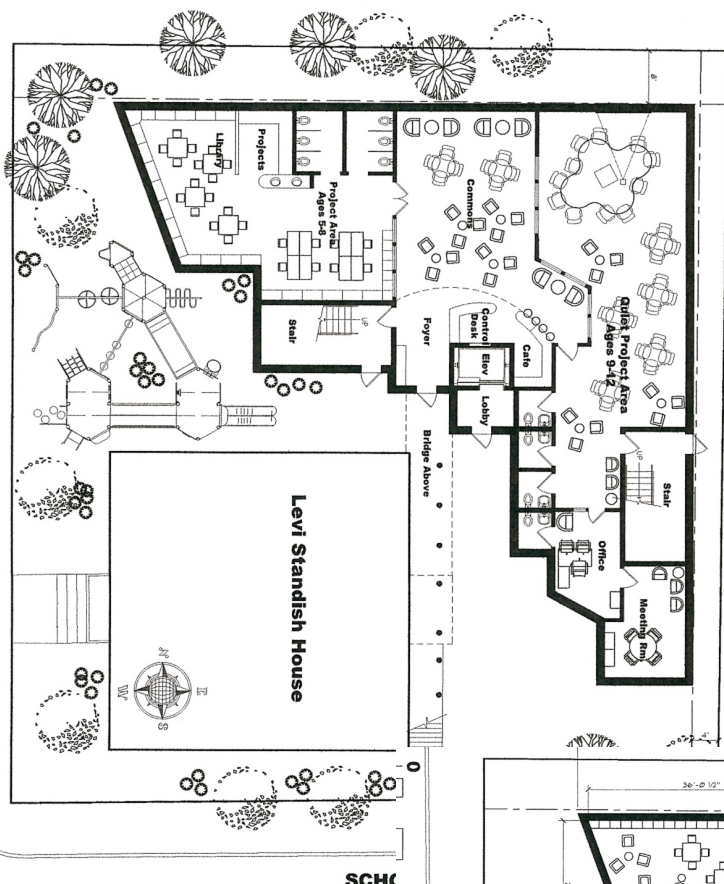
Construction documents from Litman Architecture will be delivered to the YWCA in December. Then the project will be ready for the public bidding process and a Spring 2014 groundbreaking! During this exciting time, we must raise the final \$675,000 in public and private support. Funding above this goal further reduces our long-term credit facility. Thus, we continue to seek generous donors to this substantial new building project.

There are several prominent naming opportunities still available such as:

- Building Addition \$1,000,000
- Another Women's Place (3rd Floor) \$250,000
- YWKids Childcare Center (1st Floor) \$250,000
- Multipurpose Community Room (2nd Floor) \$100,000
- Levi Standish Connecting Bridge \$100,000
- YWKids Project Area \$50,000
- Elevator \$50,000
- Another Women's Place Bedrooms \$25,000 each
- Another Women's Place Kitchen \$25,000
- YWKids Control Desk \$10,000
- YWKids Café \$10,000

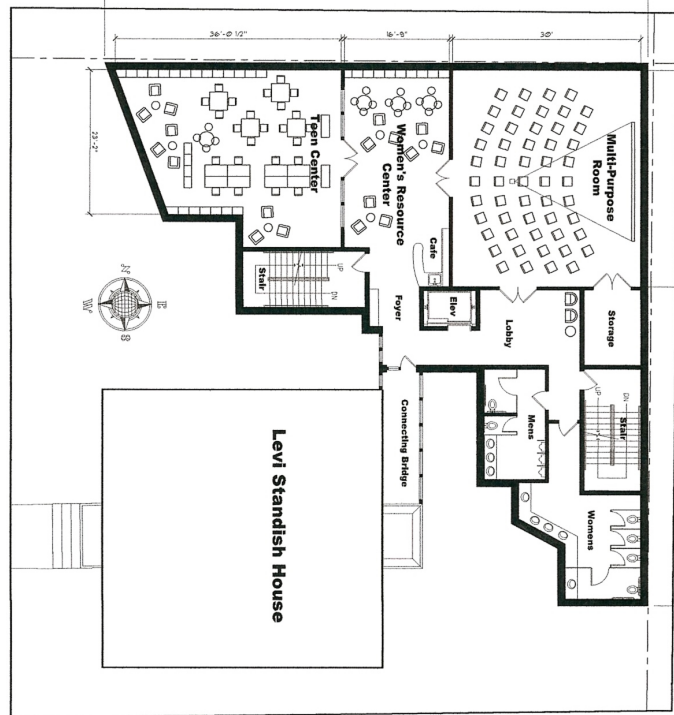
***Please contact Gail Fortes  
for a full list of Naming  
Opportunities and help us  
conclude our Under One Roof  
campaign. Thank you!***





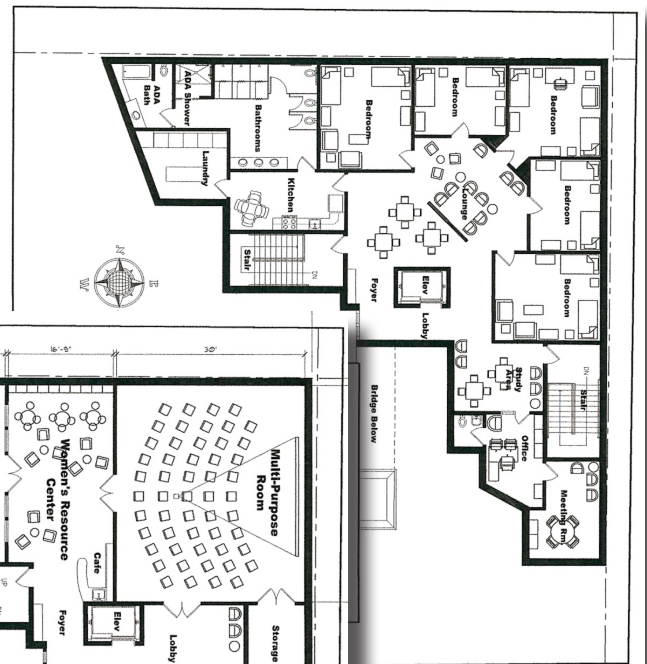
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SOUTH SIXTH STREET



SCHOOL STREET

"I'm pleased that the Patrick-Murray administration has joined the City of New Bedford in supporting "Under One Roof," said Mayor Jon Mitchell. "This level of investment on the part of the Commonwealth is a clear validation of the quality of this project. I congratulate the YWCA for their tireless efforts on behalf of New Bedford families, and thank the Patrick-Murray administration for their continued support of projects that improve the quality of life for New Bedford residents."



"The YWCA provides crucial services to area women in need," Senator Montigny said. "The \$1 million grant will not only preserve the historic nature of the YWCA's Levi Standish House but allow it to be adapted for the many modern uses needed by the YWCA to further its mission to aid women and children."

"These funds will allow the YWCA to expand the critical services it provides to women and children in the SouthCoast," declared Representative Antonio Cabral.

"Governor Patrick and I were pleased to work with the YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts and support funding that will allow the YWCA to continue to do great work more efficiently in the region, while also preserving its historic building," said Lieutenant Governor Timothy Murray.

# donors

## Capital Campaign

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# programs/services

YWCA SEMA Programs and Services	Number Served FY 2012	Number Served FY 2013
Widowed Persons Program	137 Elderly Men and Women	136 Elderly Men and Women
Short Distance Medical Transportation	45 Elderly Men and Women	50 Elderly Men and Women
YWCA Health and Wellness (formerly ENCORE <sup>plus</sup> )	3,080 Underserved Women	2,725 underserved women
Mayor's Youth Council	25 Disadvantaged Teen Boys and Girls	18 Disadvantaged Teen Boys and Girls
YWCA Health and Wellness Waterpals	49 Women Breast Cancer Survivors	45 Women Breast Cancer Survivors
A Woman's Place	19 At-Risk Women	12 At-Risk Women
Another Woman's Place	16 At-Risk Women	11 At-Risk Women
YWkids School Age Program	74 Disadvantaged Boys and Girls	102 Disadvantaged Boys and Girls
Girls Giving and Growing	13 Disadvantaged Middle School Girls	29 Disadvantaged Middle School Girls
Girls Exclusive	41 Disadvantaged Teen Girls	33 Disadvantaged Teen Girls
Tween 2 Teen	36 Disadvantaged Teen Girls	28 Disadvantaged Teen Girls
Racial Justice	850 Underserved Women and Men	210 Underserved Women and Men
Economic Advancement	92 At-risk and Disadvantaged Women	37 At-risk and Disadvantaged Women
Leadership Development for Women Under 30	27 young women age 18-30	26 young women age 18-30
<b>Total Served</b>	<b>4,504</b>	<b>3,462</b>
# of Volunteers		93 (+14, Board Members)
# of Volunteer Hours		3,027
# of Materials Distributed		11,864
# of People that Attended Special Events (not counted above)		2,193



YWkids with Trips for Kids



Waterpals Support Group

# testimonials



**your support helps  
everywoman**

## Widowed Persons Program

"Thank you for your thoughts, prayers, and expressions of sympathy in memory of Dad. He truly enjoyed participating in the Widowed Persons group and you were a lifeline for him after Mom passed away. Thank you from the family. Sincerely, Mary Ann & Bob, Patricia, Susan & families"

## YWkids School Age Program

"I have been a client of the YWkids program since August of 2012. My daughter, Nyalise is now six years old. One of the best things I have ever done for her was to enroll her in this program. Nyalise is more vocal, outgoing and sociable, I can thank the YWkids program for this. Nyalise was very shy and a bit of a loner. The staff has worked so well with her in the past year. I've never seen my daughter be so happy to the point where she doesn't want to come home. Nyalise has said that she wishes YWkids was her "real school" and not her day care. As well as helping Nyalise with her social skills, YWkids has helped me. The program is income based and understanding that I am a single mother without transportation. Sincerely, Diana Alvarez"

## Girls Exclusive

What's the best thing about Girls Exclusive?

"Sailing!" --Janiah

"Everything, especially meeting new people!" --Deedee

"Meeting new girls." --Chy'enne

"I have fun!" --Eliyana

"Playing *Just Dance* on Wii in our pajamas, going outside and knowing people already." --Ana



## Residential Services

"My name is Carol. I came to the YWCA almost four years ago. I have taken many classes. I learn how to manage my money for the month. I have gotten CPR/Red Cross certified. I am so happy living in the YWCA housing."







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