Leaders of the YWCA
The Board of the YWCA poses for a photo outside of the Levi Standish House. from the YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts Archives, May 19, 1984

Front First Row L to R; Hester Sears, Louise Sawyer, Second Row L to R; Dortha Drinkwater, Rosemary Medeiros Saber, Doris Bruce, Third Row L to R; Sister Rosellen Gallogly, Dr. Florence Mahon, Back Row L to R; Bonnie Werly, Mabel Whitaker, Marge Jenney, Brenda Dixon.
Recruiting The Community
Pictured left, Grace Young and Jean Campbell “Get people involved in issues at the YWCA.” Recruitment efforts were in high gear in preparation for major shifts locally and nationally for the organization.
from The Standard Times, 1987

YWCA Logo
The YWCA has undergone many logo changes throughout its existence. During the 1980’s the Blue Triangle Logo had become synonymous with the YWCA throughout the nation.
from YWCA USA Historical Website

Above, Executive Director of the YWCA Jean Campbell to address the needs of women and the entire community of New Bedford. Jean Campbell provided leadership to the YWCA for nearly 20 years from 1968-1987.
from The Standard Times, March 30, 1984

Above, Executive Director of the YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts Nancy Carigan provided leadership to the association from 1987-1991.
from the YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts Archives
Celebrating 100 Years!
1911-2011
1980s

a decade of leadership

Bonnie Werly
Board President, 1979-1980

Claire Gronland
Board President, 1984-1986

Rosemary Medeiros Saber
Board President 1980-1981

Dr. Rita Clark-Chambers
Board President, 1982-1983

Thelma Baxter
Board President 1986-1988

Judith Russ Leon
Board President, 1988-1990
guiding girls

Varied Activities for Teens Offered
A portrayal of girls partaking in dance and fitness. Celebrating Women’s Health
from The Standard Times, March 30th, 1984

YWCA Play Time
Ellena Zingara-Crotty is climbing at the YWCA with the assistance
of her mother Michelle Zingana-Crotty
from The Standard Times, June 28, 1984
In maintaining with the mission of empowering women, the YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts provided the Investment Club as a way for women within the community to become educated and take part in investment practices.
# 2015-2016 YWCA Board of Directors and Staff

### YWCA Southeastern Massachusetts

**Address:**

20 South Sixth Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

**Mission:**

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

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### Executive Director

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Catherine Bourassa

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**Community Health Worker**

Valentina Martinez

**Community Health Worker**

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Linda Rose

**Leading Ladies Coordinator**

Stormi Monteiro

### Residential Services

**Residential Assistant**

Annamarie Lopes

**Residential Assistant**

Candy Royster

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