




IMPACT REPORT 2017

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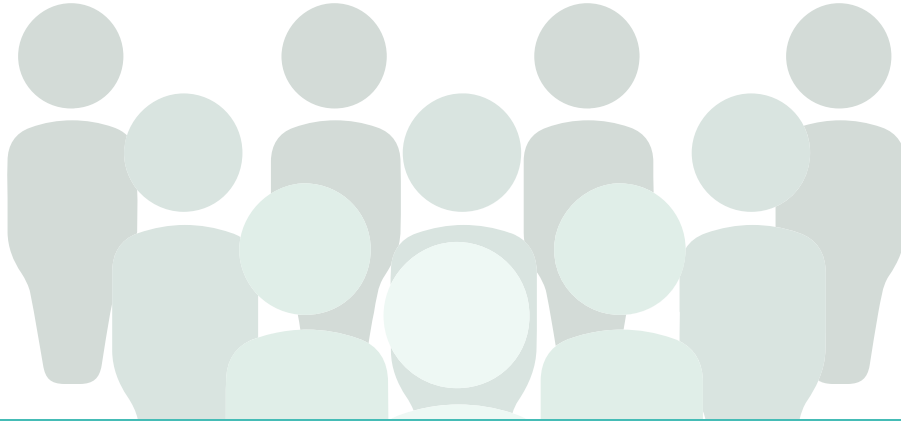
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A registered charitable organization in Toronto, dedicated to providing support and removing barriers for economically disadvantaged youth who have experienced trauma, abuse, and unstable guardian care.



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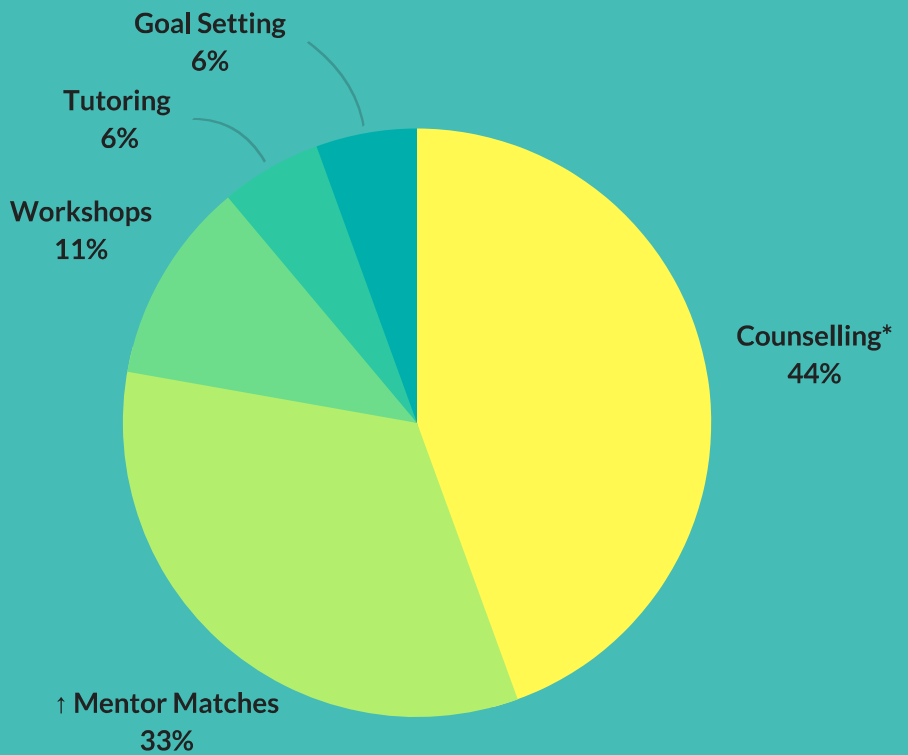
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LIVES CHANGED

4800

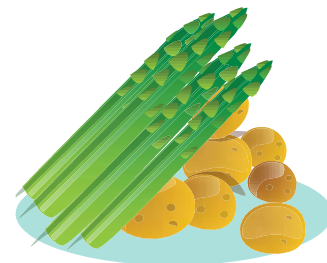
HOURS SPENT SUPPORTING YOUTH

** This includes exploring options, finding solutions, locating information, and providing resources for housing, mental health, education, employment, and legal matters. Youth are also supported in addressing childhood abuse, relationship issues and traumatic events in their lives*



1900

MEALS SERVED



150

YOUTH RECEIVED INTENSIVE ONE-TO-ONE CASE MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

60 one-to-one tutoring sessions provided
10 life skills workshops
10 mini workshops



92%



of youth in our program are currently attending or have graduated high school

Contrasted to the 44% of youth from care who graduate high school in Ontario



27%



are engaged in post-secondary education

Compared to the 1% at the time of intake



98%



are either employed and/or attending school full time

Compared to the 29% of youth who struggled to secure employment and were not attending school.



55

**RECREATIONAL
EXPERIENCES OFFERED**

Youth are also connected to other community programs for their personal development and well-being.

AT INTAKE,

32%

of youth had previous involvement with the criminal justice system. Within 6 months of program enrolment, none of the youth were involved in criminal activity



70

**MENTOR-MENTEE
MATCHES CREATED
AND MAINTAINED**

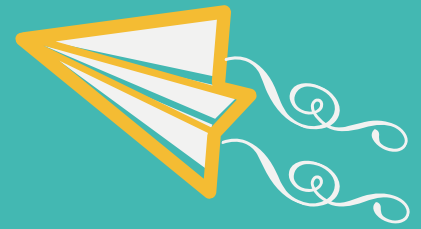
WITHIN 12 MONTHS,

87%

of youth could rely on an adult to provide support as they experience unexpected circumstances and obstacles in their lives



MY JOURNEY



“StepStones has helped me in my past and continues to help me today. At the age of 13, I entered the shelter system. Within 1 year I moved to three different women shelters and remained in the shelter system for the majority of my teenage years. As a result of living an unstable teenage life, school was very difficult and challenging. I looked forward to attending StepStones Summer camp each summer where I was able to escape hardships in the city, learn new skills and engage in fun and adventurous activities...

...Throughout my journey, I continued to receive support from StepStones. I was connected to a mentor, worker, long term housing, and was able to complete both a college diploma and a business degree through the tutoring and scholarships program offered by StepStones. I have even started working at the StepStones camp during the summer! “

-Nancy



The basic needs of **180** youth were met

This includes housing, food, clothing, and safety

AT INTAKE, ONLY



47% of youth had stable housing

105

landlord relationships created; these are landlords who are open to housing youth in our program, and offer safe and affordable housing options for the youth

9

long-term beds at Arrabon House that are offered to StepStones' youth; providing transitional, independence-based housing for young women

20

youth received a housing subsidy to assist with their monthly rent payments

AFTER SIX MONTHS,

88% of youth reported having a safe and stable place to call home



2017 was a year of **accomplishments**

We look forward to another fantastic year and supporting more youth at risk!

A huge thank you to our partners:

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