

YOUNG WOMEN, YOUNG LEADERS

ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THEIR COMMUNITIES

Young Women, Young Leaders (YWYL), strengthens the active participation of young women in civic, political and community life in Montreal.

ROOTED IN ACTION:

YWYL supports community action projects, led by young women that address issues that most affect them in their daily lives, with the collaboration of Equitas and a strong network of community organizations, mentors, municipal leaders and institutional partners.

SOLIDARITY IN NUMBERS:

YWYL creates spaces for meaningful dialogue between young women, female role-models in decision making roles, civil society organizations, government bodies, and the media in order to dismantle barriers to young women's participation in community life.

KNOWLEDGE IS POWER:

YWYL equips emerging young women leaders and organizations with the knowledge and skills to promote increased young women's participation and citizenship engagement in their communities.

YWYL is anchored in local activities in 4 boroughs of Montreal: Ville-Marie, Verdun, Saint-Michel, and Côte-des-Neiges / Notre-Dame-de-Grâce and includes:

- Partnerships with community stakeholders and a participatory needs assessment;
- Skills development and capacity building workshops for emerging young women leaders and community organizations;
- Youth-led community action projects engaging girls and young women;
- Bi-annual gatherings for young women from the 4 boroughs;
- A Young Women's Forum;
- Specialized educational materials to empower and engage girls/young women;
- Coordination, coaching, support, and sharing of lessons learned.

For more information

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