



OUR YOUTH ENJOYING FRONTBURNER AFTER SCHOOL COOKING PROGRAM



Our Year at a Glance

by Diana Stapleton, Board Chair

2015 marked Frontlines 28th year of service to the children and youth in Weston. We were able to celebrate successes, make new plans for our future and face the many challenges of running our programs.

We started the year with a new Director, Cheyanne Smith. Cheyanne had been working at Frontlines as a Program Assistant and Summer Camp Coordinator. We also were the fortunate recipients of a significant donation from the United Church of Canada as a result of the sale of Westminster United Church, a longtime supporter of Frontlines. This donation helped us to start the year on a firm financial platform.

Frontlines was also the recipient of a Youth Skills grant from the Government of Ontario. We were able to extend the Front Burner cooking programming for children and youth into the next phase – Catering Careers. This program was developed by Cavell Hart, our Program Manager. Frontlines would train unemployed youth, aged 18 to 29 who were currently not in school.

Catering Careers was a huge success, with virtually all the program graduates finding full time employment in the hospitality sector.

With Catering Careers running during the day our afterschool programs continued to thrive. We had children learning to cook, to make healthy food choices, to get exercise and to feel welcome and important. The W. Garfield Weston Foundation grant helps to pay for all the food.

We also ran our March Break and Summer Camps at full capacity – with over 60 children participating. We teamed up with St. Andrew’s Church to run a youth leadership training program. We also teamed up with Urban Arts for a number of events over the summer.

We continue to struggle with our physical building. The wear and tear is evident after years of exuberant use. Home Depot has supported some renovations, but there is always more to be done.

We are blessed to have a strong donor base, and we continue to reach out to the community and beyond.

Frontlines continues to be a valued asset in Weston, and we look forward to another year of change and growth



Staff and children celebrate with a party



Homework Club helps students achieve better results in school.

Our Mission

Frontlines addresses the pressing needs of Weston's children and youth, engaging them with a Christian presence. We foster and restore wellness and respect among our diverse neighbours by building relationships and providing programs that address the whole child.

Our Vision

OUR VISION... the Weston community is a place of peace and wholeness, where children and youth experience safety and true value.



2015 Staff Team

Cheyanne Smith	Director
Sherwayne Morgan	Front Burner Coordinator
Joel Reid	Program Assistant
Cavell Hart	Catering Careers Manager
Matthew Reid	Program Manager

Board Team

Abigail Moraih	Chris Van Dooren
Diana Stapleton	Roy Wellington
Matthew Eubank	Carol Latimer
Darlene Lucas	Joyce Nyhof Young
Susanne Hunter	

Our Donors and Partners

- **Government of Ontario** provided a grant to run a new program – Catering Careers providing job skills training youth 18 to 29
- **Home Depot** supported Frontlines by bringing in a team to paint our building and put down a new floor.
- **W. Garfield Weston Foundation** supported Frontlines with a grant to help purchase food for after school programs
- **World Vision** provided us with funding for our cooking programs as well as with leadership development support for our staff.
- The **Weston Park Baptist** church which supports us financially, and with volunteer support.
- **St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church**, our partner for our summer camp and Leadership training program during the summer of 2015
- **Macaulay Child Development Centre** to offer homework club
- **Weston Area Emergency Support** food bank
- **Urban Arts**, our partner in graffiti removal and the painting of murals
- The **Toronto Police Department** at 12 Division
- All Canadian Self Storage, Kooy Brothers, CIOT, Weston Golf and Country Club, Weston Lions, York Lions, Etobicoke Rotary Club, Squibbs Stationary, and many more supplied us with funds and in kind support in 2015.



FAST FACTS

5,000 meals served

60+ children attended Summer Camp for free

Over 3,000 program visits



Frontlines Annual Dinner, Christmas Party and Community BBQs bring us together to raise funds, awareness and community spirit!



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