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🌻 We've entered the summer of our **120th year as an agency**, which means we've begun preparations for exciting events, drives for clients, and donation opportunities, all while welcoming new staff members to our team!

Highlights of this newsletter:

- Healthy Love Club Breakfast: Save the Date!
- School Supply Giveaway
- GLAM Follow-up and Video
- Meet Our New YWCA Team Members
- Make-A-Will Month



Breakfast

Save the date for our breakfast!

Tuesday, October 6th at 8:00am at the Courtyard by Marriott Tacoma Downtown

🔗 Join us, in taking ACTION this October for Domestic Violence Action Month at the YWCA Healthy Love Club Breakfast. Come learn about YWCA services, enjoy breakfast, and engage with other YWCA supporters.

Registration will open August 12th - mark your calendars!

School Supply Drive



This July and August, we are collecting specific items for our School Supply Drive. We are currently in need of:

- Wide-rule composition notebooks
- Graph paper
- Rulers
- Sharpies
- Highlighters
- Dry erase markers
- Folders
- Headphones
- Earbuds

Donate School Supplies on Amazon

School Supply Drive Flier



Thank you to everyone who joined us for this year's GLAM Auction & Dinner and celebrated 120 years of the YWCA Pierce County and 50 years of our shelter. The room was filled with a powerful sense of joy, care, and shared commitment, reminding us that this work has always been, and continues to be, driven by this community.

Together, we raised \$170,000 to support the vital services the YWCA provides to survivors of domestic violence and their families. This level of generosity is both humbling and inspiring and is a testament to what is possible when a community shows up for one another.

This is the community's YWCA, and your support is a powerful reminder that we can create lasting change together. Thank you for being part of this milestone moment and for standing with survivors in such meaningful ways.

Check out the [video](#) we showed at GLAM this year!



120 Years of Community Impact

Meet Our New Team Members!



**YWCA Pierce County is excited to announce
Tashawn Deville as our Deputy Director.**

Tashawn Deville is a community-centered leader committed to equity, connection, and expanding access to opportunity. She previously served as Director of Education and Community Involvement at the Tacoma Art Museum, leading programs that engaged thousands across the region. Her statewide advocacy includes service on the Washington State Partnership Council on Juvenile Justice, and she is currently pursuing a Master of Public Administration. Tashawn's passion for trauma-informed, survivor-centered work and her alignment with YWCA Pierce County's mission were clear throughout the interview process. She brings bold, collaborative leadership that will strengthen programs, deepen partnerships, and expand support for those who rely on us most.



YWCA Pierce County is excited to announce Kasey VanderPol as our Manager of Community & Legal Services.

Kasey brings over a decade of experience in social work, advocacy, and cross-system collaboration across healthcare, legal, and community-based settings. She has supported diverse and high-risk populations through holistic, client-centered approaches and has deep expertise in crisis intervention, domestic violence and sexual assault advocacy, and program leadership.

Currently completing her Master of Social Work, Kasey brings a trauma-informed, compassionate approach that aligns with YWCA's mission. We are excited to welcome her and confident she will help deepen our impact across Pierce County.



This August is Make-A-Will Month, and we're celebrating supporters who create a lasting legacy through planned giving.

Join our **Legacy of Friends Circle**, an incredible group of supporters who have included YWCA Pierce County in their estate plans as a meaningful way to ensure the mission they believe in continues for future generations.

A planned gift can help sustain the programs, advocacy, and services that strengthen our community and advance our mission for years to come.

Visit our [Planned Giving](#) webpage to learn more!

Learn More About Planned Giving

Help Provide Everyday Essentials

Items such as **full-size shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, deodorant, and large size diapers** help families feel supported as they transition to safety and stability.

👉 **Want to help?** Download our [Current Needs List](#) to see how you can provide direct support to survivors and families in need.

Current Needs List

Your Gift Changes Lives

When you give to YWCA Pierce County, you're providing safety, healing, and new beginnings for survivors of domestic violence.

❤️ Make a donation today and stand with survivors in their journey toward safety and healing.

Make a Donation Today!



Fred Meyer Community Rewards

Sign up today and every time you shop at Fred Meyer and use your rewards card, you help the YWCA Pierce County earn a donation!

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