

Grounded in a mission dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all, the YWCAs located throughout Massachusetts have grown over the last 150 years to serve dozens of communities and thousands of women, girls and families. YWCAs throughout the Commonwealth provide a rich array of locally based programming.

racial justice

Raising community awareness about the harm that racism causes and providing individuals with the tools necessary to combat racism where they live and work.

child / youth services

Giving parents the freedom to pursue professional goals, through licensed child care. Helping young people develop healthy and productive lives through violence prevention, career training, leadership development, fitness and positive social and emotional development.

wellness

Keeping seniors active, helping cancer survivors regain their lives and providing fitness activities to help young people and families live healthy lives.

women's economic empowerment

Advancing the economic needs of women through advocacy, education and programs addressing a wide range of social and economic needs.

affordable housing

Offering a variety of safe, affordable housing options, from shelters to permanent housing, for pregnant teens, individuals and families to promote self-sufficiency.

domestic violence / sexual assault

Supporting survivors of domestic violence and working to create safer communities that prevent violence and promote healthy relationships through community education, emergency shelters, a 24 hour help line, court advocacy, individual short term advocacy and support groups.



Historically, YWCAs across the Commonwealth have focused on empowering all girls and women—standing up for social and racial justice, helping families and strengthening communities. Today, through unique programs that meet the needs of the communities they serve, YWCAs use their expertise to continue to foster growth for girls and women by providing leadership development, youth violence prevention, economic self-sufficiency, wellness activities, preschool childcare and school age programming.

PROGRAMS	STATEWIDE IMPACT (UNDUPLICATED COUNT)	BOSTON	CAMBRIDGE	CENTRAL MA	LOWELL	MALDEN	NEWBURYPORT	NORTHEASTERN MA	SOUTHEASTERN MA	WESTERN MA
racial justice										
educational workshops	2,017	✓					✓		✓	
stand against racism	1,720	✓		✓				✓	✓	
police youth dialogs	316	✓			✓				✓	
child / youth services										
violence prevention	17,255	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
licensed childcare	1,732			✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
summer camps	1,039		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		
family engagement	1,966			✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	
teen parenting	420									\checkmark
leadership development	886	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark
career development	404			✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	\checkmark
wellness										
teams and lessons	2,807			✓			✓	✓		
women's health and fitness	3,087	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	
health education	2,496	✓		✓	✓			✓		
women's economic empowerment										
education and outreach	2,500						✓		✓	
financial education for women	458					✓			✓	
widowed persons program	83								✓	
affordable housing										
shelter	28		✓					✓		✓
supportive and permanent housing	242		✓	✓			✓	✓		\checkmark
domestic violence / sexual assault										
24 hour hotline	4,975			✓				✓		
clothesline project	700							✓	✓	
emergency shelter	90			✓				✓		