



TRAILS

FOUR SEASONS. FOUR YEARS. FOR LIFE.



2010

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Our Mission

is to challenge and equip vulnerable youth from the inner city of Toronto to become contributing members of their communities.

Other Highlights

- This year there are 88 girls and boys in the 4-year program
- This year the 16 graduates of the 4-year program achieved 2.5 high school credits, with an 85% average
- Students who participated in the 5th year Leadership-in-Training (LIT) program achieved a class average of 90% and got 3.5 credits.
- As of September 2010, 20 graduates are on scholarships, studying for careers in law, medicine, music, teaching, social work and finance
- This year Trails was showcased in a CBC documentary and on Global News

We wish to express our sincere thanks to you for your continued loyalty, trust and confidence in us; and we sincerely value our relationships. May 2011 bring you all blessings of health and happiness.



Bursaries

We take great pride in knowing that the 4-year Trails model and the curriculum we've developed produce lasting results. And we have proof that we are on the right track - 90% of youth who have gone through the Trails program go on to post-secondary education compared to only 10% of other young Torontonians.

Danielle Dion

Memorial Fund and Bursary

The Danielle Dion Memorial Fund and Bursary was established in April 2000 to honour the memory of Danielle Dion. In 2010, 11 Trails Alumni were the proud recipients of a Dion Scholarship, and have received \$42,000 towards helping them reach their potential.

The Friends of

Wendy Anderson Bursary

The Friends of Wendy Anderson Bursary is a fund that has been established to honour the memory of Wendy Anderson. This year, Raemond Lorenz received support from this scholarship and from John Bonnick, member of the Eglinton Rotary Club to help him attend Sir Sandford Flemming College.

The Board of Governors

In the fall of 2010, Jim Hayhurst, co-founder of Trails, and Jack Cockwell, long-time supporter, created The Trails Board of Governors. This group of 23 individuals, all outstanding members of the community, have not only agreed to lend their names and act as Governors, but also to act as ambassadors to help Trails establish long-term relationships with private foundations, government bodies and other educational institutions. While there is not a fundraising responsibility to being a Governor, there will obviously be a "ripple" effect and their support will help raise incremental funds.

To that end a goal of \$250,000 has been set for each of the next five years, with the first \$100,000 going to operating funds and the balance being used to further the reach of Trails into its communities.

In fact, in the first five months these ambassadors have already created new bursaries, found internships, introduced our graduates to matching scholarship funds, provided them with tickets to see major theatre productions and exposed them to job opportunities.

Governors

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| Susan Armitage | Dr. Bruce Ferguson | David Kerr |
| Charles Baille | Shaun Francis | Sheldon Levy |
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"I have been involved with the Trails program for nearly 12 years at Milne Valley and now at Donview M.S.

During this time I have seen many students become part of a wonderful caring family that gives the student a whole new outlook on life and its possibilities. Thank you Trails personnel and financial supporters – you are changing lives!"

- Sue Brown, Principal