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*The Toronto United Church Council works with the church community to connect resources with ministry.*

*Offering access to professional advice, financial support and leadership development, Council helps our church address the social and spiritual challenges of the day.*

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**Reminder: Nominations for the Baillie  
Volunteer Service Award are due Oct. 31 2016**

Toronto United Church Council's **Baillie Volunteer Service Award** recognizes young people who demonstrate a commitment to building healthy churches and communities through their participation as volunteers in social outreach ministry and community development projects. The Awards were introduced in 2014 and each year up to twenty awards, each with a value of \$500, are available to youth nominated by United Church congregations or mission units.

The next round of applications is due at the end of October. Get inspired by reading about the spring 2016 recipients below and then consider nominating a young and active member of your congregation. For more information on award eligibility and selection criteria and to download an application form [click here](#).



Logan Carmichael of St. Andrew's Markham founded a knitting club that donates hats, scarves, and mittens to a women's shelter and Syrian newcomers.



Jennifer Gordon of Bloor St. United organized a "Finding your Calling" event for youth based on her own career path.



John Reston worked with Greening Sacred Spaces to make Eastminster United an Emergency Resilience Hub.



Jessica Stevenson of North Bramalea United is involved in youth ministry and is on track to complete 1000 volunteer hours before high school graduation



Sara Jane Wetelainan is on the Justice &

Outreach, Education,  
and Syrian Refugee  
Committees at Burton  
Ave. United and was a  
witness to the Truth &  
Reconciliation  
gathering.

### **Council's Pass It On Team is Ready to Walk for United Church Camps!**

On October 16<sup>th</sup> 2016, United Church camp supporters of all ages will take to the streets as part of the *Scotiabank Toronto Waterfront Marathon's Charity Challenge*. Council works with the five camps in Toronto Conference to make this walk happen each year. All funds raised by participants will help finance the professional maintenance and construction services that, in addition to countless hours of volunteer service, keep the camps going year after year. United Church camps are special places where children and youth experience the joys and challenges of the wilderness as they grow in body, mind, and spirit. The camps work hard to accommodate all children, doing their best not to turn any child away for financial reasons. We hope that you will consider making a pledge in support of this important youth ministry. Any amount helps and

pledges over \$10 are eligible for a charitable tax receipt. [You can make a pledge here.](#) If you are interested in joining the walk/run last minute please contact Ali Hayes at 905-771-5124 or [ali@tucc.ca](mailto:ali@tucc.ca).

### Council's New Phone System

Council's phones have recently been updated and incoming callers may experience some glitches as we adapt to the new system. If you have any problems just send us an email and we'll get back to you as soon as possible. Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience! Staff email addresses are listed below.

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