

Celebrations

We held numerous events in 2010, celebrating the culture and diversity of Jane Finch. The Karen people are one of the major ethnic groups of Burma and the celebrated the Karen New Year in our community with over 300 people. The Diwali



Festival, a festival filled with spiritualism, was celebrated by over 200 seniors. Our annual Holiday Celebration, hosted by the OEYC had more than 300 people in attendance. At all our events, participants from different cultures show respect, appreciation and willingness to learn through their participation.

Our annual events included the Mental Health Fair, in partnership with local organizations and Play Day for seniors. The Mental Health Fair promoted wellness for the body and the mind by encouraging and raising awareness about healthy living. The Play Day for seniors enabled them to participate in a day of games and activities outdoors while sampling delicious food from around the world.

The Women Moving Forward award winning program celebrated their 5 year Anniversary on May 20, 2010. The program began in 2005 with the goal of working with 100 single mothers in the greater Jane and Finch community, helping them work towards economic sufficiency. As of May 2010, the program had worked with 110 women, with a success rate of 72%.

The Centre enthusiastically supports the United Way Workplace Campaign every year as our way of raising funds to support United Way's important work. 2010 was exceptional as participation increased to 33 runners in the Scotia Bank Rat Race.

Many residents know the Centre for its multi-service .

programming. What some may not know is that much of the work being done also extends beyond Jane and Finch. In 2010, the Karen youth were invited to Ottawa to participate and share their experiences as participants in our newcomer settlement programs during a Karen Canadian Community Group Conference. This was the first opportunity our newcomer program participants have had to visit our capital. The Spot also hosted 50 students from Cleveland Ohio. During their visit, the youth participated in meaningful conversations about how to innovatively engage youth from high-risk communities.

Awards and Recognition

Our partners and supporters across the City of Toronto have recognized our efforts and were moved to nominate us for several awards. This resulted in several awards for our participants, staff, programs and the organization as a whole:

Green Change was awarded the Green Toronto Award in the Community Projects Category and the North York Mirror Urban Heroes Award in the Environment Category. Women Moving Forward was awarded the United Way Bhayana Family Foundation Award in the Community Partnership Category and the North York Mirror Urban Heroes Award in the Community Category. Green Change Agent, Dwayne Wright (Mr. Fresh) was awarded the Toronto Youth Cabinet Identify'N'Impact Award for Entrepreneur of the Year. Zabrina Babbington, Green Change Coordinator, was awarded the United Way Bhayana Family Foundation Award for Innovation. The Centre received an Award of Recognition from the



Association of Hispanic Canadian Teachers. We thank everyone for working together to help make this happen, including our 407 volunteers. We are truly a community united!

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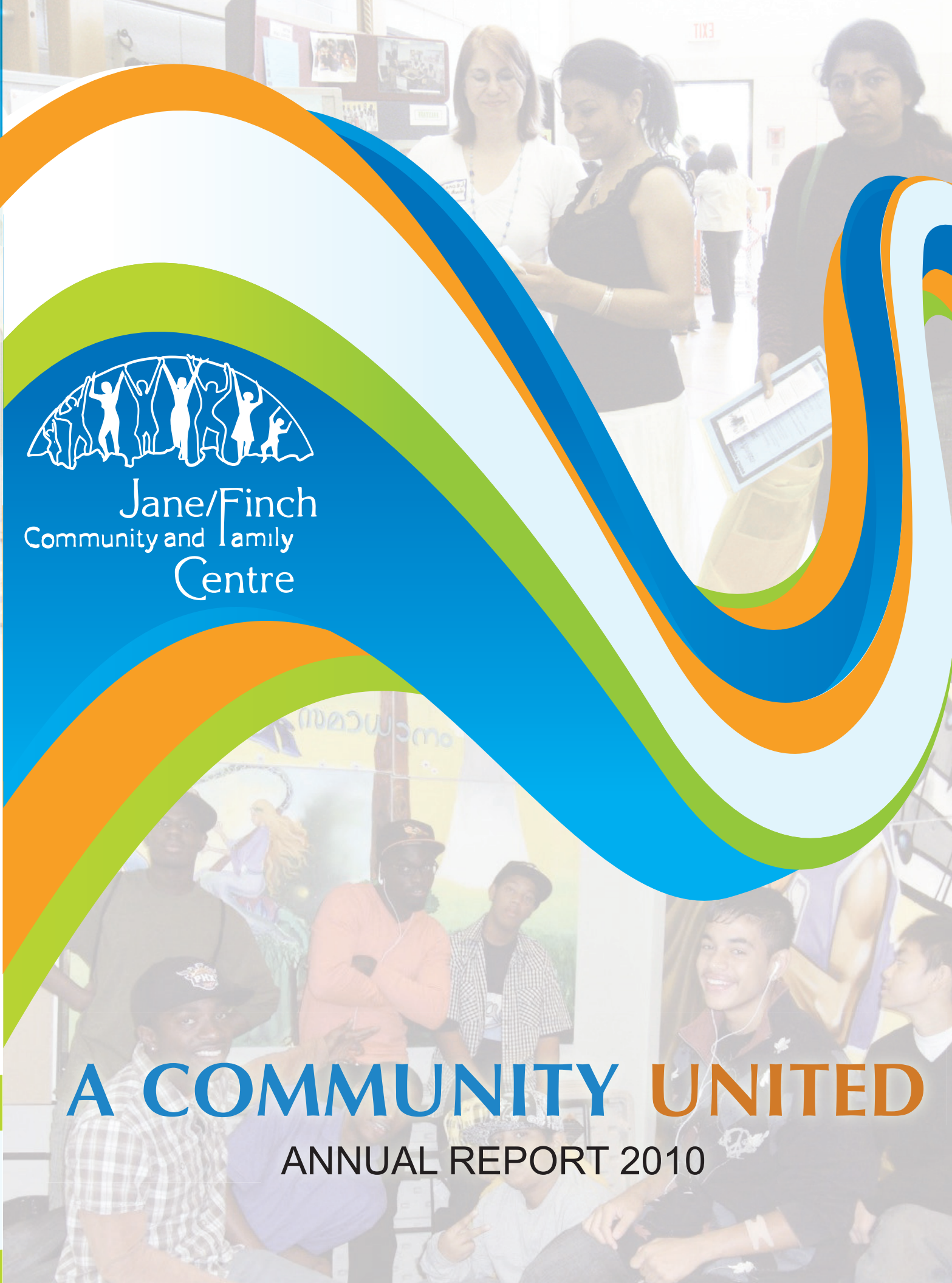
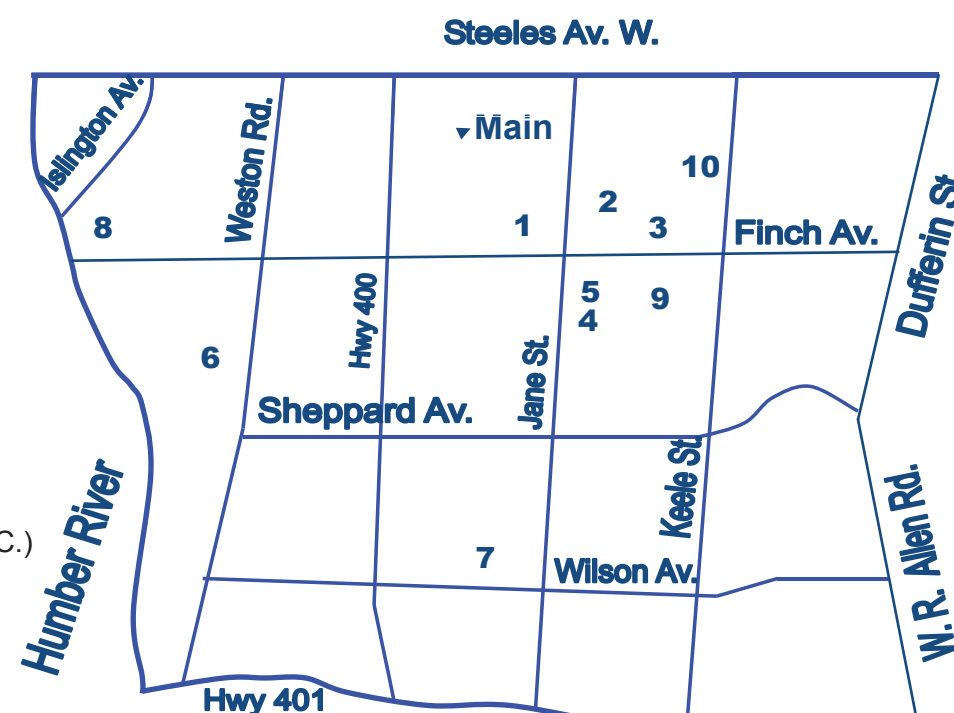
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2. 415 Driftwood Ave.
3. 15 Tobermory Drive
4. 2999 Jane Street
5. Ontario Early Years Centre (O.E.Y.C.)
1911 Finch Ave.

O.E.Y.C Satellites:

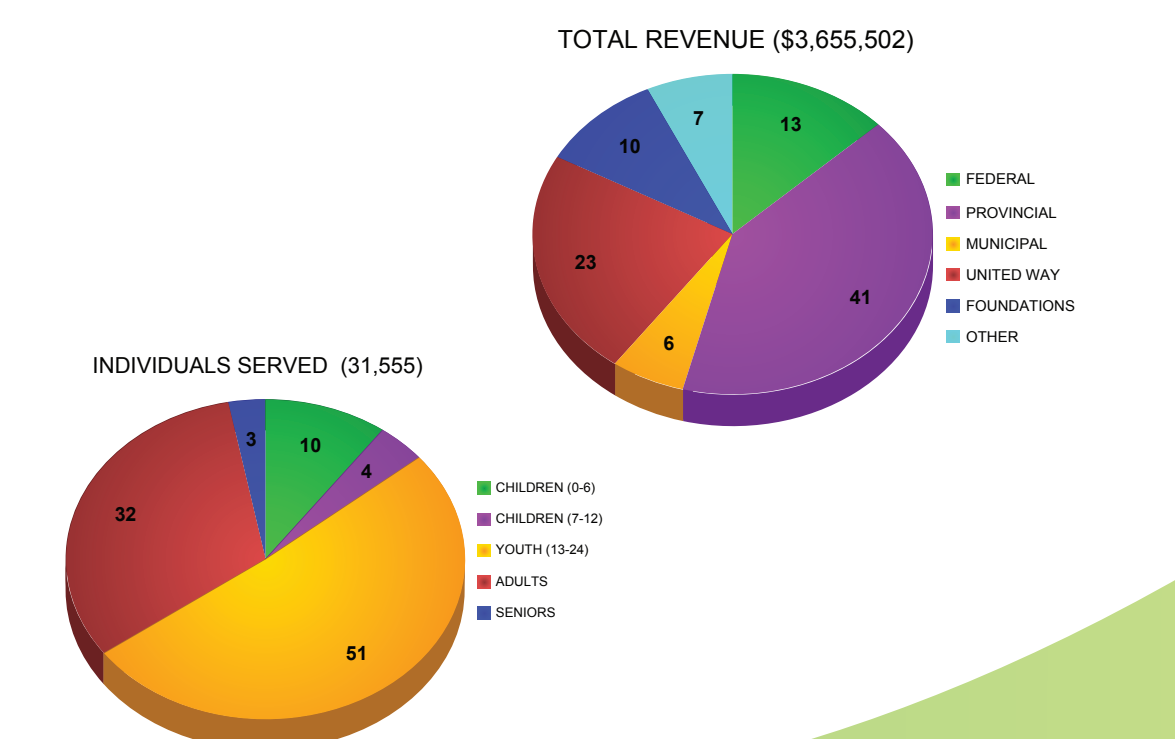
6. 3226 Weston Road
7. 1700 Wilson Ave.
8. 2990 Islington Ave.
9. 65 Topcliff Blvd.
10. York University



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The Spot...
The Spot is a place that's located by Jane and Finch, Yorkgate mall...
A place where youth leaders take the time to reach and help out troubled kids,
Teach them how to give and not to lynch showing them what life really is.
The Spot is a place where you can chill, go to events, play games, make friends without danger or money to spend.
The Spot is a place where you can rise, learn different aspects of life, inherent benefits that prevent people from falling, getting your points straight without brawling, but with the power of knowledge.
The Spot is a place where your feelings can vent seeing and appreciating an environment that never makes you feel like your left by yourself. Good vibes everywhere, youth leaders always around to give anybody help.
The Spot is a place where you can learn about drugs, consequences and aftermath of being associated with them. Learn about safe sex, sexual transmitted diseases, find out about how making sweet pleasure without protection can turn into misery.
The Spot is a place you can call your other home, a getaway, to put your life on pause and breathe...
where you can take the time to comprehend, get advice, and never being afraid to ask for a helping hand.
If you want to go out and you think there is nothing to do the spot is the spot where you need to go to.

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