HAPPY NEW YEAR!

#YWCAAK #OnAMission #EmpowerWomen

“Do not live someone else’s life and someone else’s idea of what womanhood is. Womanhood is you. Womanhood is everything that’s inside of you.”
— Viola Davis
MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN 2023

Welcome to a new year full of wonderful opportunities to do good! This month we want to highlight our monthly giving program – Tapestry Alliance.

Membership in YWCA Alaska’s Tapestry Alliance is an opportunity to be a part of something bigger than yourself. It’s an answer to the call to do more for others, a way to foster the beloved community and ensure a better tomorrow.

To make a considerable impact and to help YWCA continue its good work, join the Tapestry Alliance - our community of monthly givers. Monthly donations allow us to to plan for the future, create sustainable programs, and lift up all women. Each gift is vital to our success and we see each person as a thread woven into the fabric of our organization – our tapestry.

We believe in a future where peace, justice, freedom, and dignity define our society. But we need your help to make this a reality!

Thank you for caring and being concerned - and for wanting to improve our community. Become a Tapestry member today and make a difference!

With gratitude,
Theresa Lyons
CEO

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Questions about our program? Learn more & visit our website at ywcaak.org
COMMUNITY CONVERSATION: ANTI-BLACKNESS & COLORISM

As a variety of racial justice issues demand our attention, broader movements have shown that “racism” as a term cannot sufficiently describe the different types of discrimination and dehumanization that people of color face. In this conversation, we explore the terms “anti-Blackness” and “colorism” to better understand what these words mean, how they relate to each other, and the role they play in expanding our ideas of racism. What roles do white and non-white people play in the proliferation of anti-Blackness and colorism? What meanings are attributed to lighter or darker skin in our unique cultures and contexts? As the demographics of this country change, will anti-Blackness and colorism become more prominent points of discussion or will they remain less recognized instruments of discrimination? During Black History Month, join YWCA Alaska in discussing these terms and their implications for larger discussions on race in our communities.

FEBRUARY 16, 2023 | 12:00PM - 1:30PM

YWCA Alaska is working on Power to Empower 2023. We hope you join us for this community event and learn more about the fabric of our organization. We left a Sneak Peak of what we are working on for this beloved community.

- International Women's Day Celebration & YWCA Alaska Open House
- Youth Summit
- Healthcare Conversation
- Parents Night: The Balance of Work, Life, and Finances
- Youth Activity: The Game Life
- Banned Books Celebration
- Dasha Kelly Hamilton's "Makin' Cake"
Have you visited our online store? For the first time ever, you can purchase YWCA Alaska merch and help us spread the word that we are on a mission!

ORDER NOW

COMMUNITY PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

Are you needing food support in Anchorage, Alaska?

Receive a $50 gift card to Fred Meyer from the Pacific Community of Alaska office.

Gift Card Pick up (In-Person Only)
Every Monday Starting Jan 23rd
9:00 AM-5:00 PM

**PLEASE NOTE: ONE GIFT CARD PER HOUSEHOLD**
NO ID REQUIRED TO RECEIVE A FRED MEYER GIFT CARD

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To learn more about the events offered at Pacific Community of Alaska visit link bellow.

LEARN MORE

HEALTH AND WELLNESS
Managing Blood Pressure Series

PART 1: CREATING HEALTHY HABITS

FREE class with Pacific Community of Alaska and Family Medicine Doctor, Dr. Phillip Mendoza

January 24th, 2023
7:00 PM–8:30 PM
3001 Porcupine Drive
Anchorage, AK, 99501
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