

# TORONTO COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS AWARD

## UrbanPromise Toronto Receives Toronto Community Champion Award

We are humbled, grateful, and thrilled to share that UrbanPromise Toronto has been named a recipient of the Toronto Community Champion Award by the City of Toronto!



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The Toronto Community Champion Award honours the outstanding contributions of community organizations that promote health, inclusion, and well-being for Toronto residents—particularly those from Indigenous, Black, and other equity-deserving communities. What makes this award truly meaningful is that nominations come directly from community members who have experienced the impact of an organization's work firsthand.



To know that someone in our community took the time to nominate UrbanPromise Toronto is incredibly affirming. It confirms that our mission to reach children in Toronto Community Housing with the love of Jesus, raise them into leaders, and restore hope to their communities is making a tangible and lasting difference.

At UrbanPromise Toronto, our vision is for a generation of young leaders from Toronto Community Housing to be spiritually grounded, equipped academically, and empowered to lead in their communities. Through year-round programming—including after-school programs, summer camps, StreetLeader leadership development, and post-secondary pathways—we walk alongside children and youth, building deep relationships rooted in consistency, care, and hope.

This recognition is not just a celebration of our work—it's a celebration of our youth, our staff, our volunteers, and every partner who believes that transformation is possible when we invest in people and communities.

The award was presented during a ceremony held on May 15 at the Bram and Bluma Appel Salon at the Toronto Reference Library. Several of our staff and StreetLeaders attended to receive the award on behalf of our UrbanPromise family. The next day, we joined other award recipients at a Toronto Blue Jays game, connecting with fellow community champions across the city.

We are deeply thankful to the City of Toronto, Mayor Olivia Chow, and especially to the individual(s) who nominated us. Your support encourages us to keep pressing forward with faith and purpose.

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**Olivia Chow**

Mayor of Toronto



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