

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

We would like to recognize the valuable efforts made by the following people and teams, which have allowed us to celebrate the work and achievements of United Way Toronto member agency employees:

Bhayana Family Foundation

Raksha Bhayana

Metro Toronto Convention Centre staff

The 194 Nominators

Selection Panel Members

United Way Toronto staff



# 2011 BHAYANA FAMILY FOUNDATION AWARDS

Recognizing the extraordinary staff working at United Way funded agencies who are at the root of a strong community.

Friday, December 9, 2011



NOMINEES

Community Partnership

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**Davenport West  
Bike Project**

Davenport-Perth Neighbourhood  
and Community Health Centre

CultureLink

The Stop Community Food Centre

Sweet Pete's Bike Shop

My First Wheels

Bike Pirates

**Neighbourhood  
Action Partnership  
Resident  
Engagement  
Committee**

YouthLink

West Scarborough Neighbourhood  
Community Centre

Agincourt Community Services  
Association

City of Toronto

The Salvation Army

Mennonite New Life Centre

**Seniors Ride Connect**

CANES Community Care

Punjabi Community Health Services

Dixon Community Services

Rexdale Community Health Centre

Etobicoke Services for Seniors

NOMINEES  
Leadership

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Chris Brown	East Metro Youth Services
Dolores Ellerker	Etobicoke Services for Seniors
Enid Grant	Delisle Youth Services
Gord Gunning	CANES Community Care
Jaime Elliott-Ngugi	East Scarborough Storefront, a project of Tides Canada
Judene Stewart	Boys and Girls Club of East Scarborough
Katie Didyk	Times Change Women's Employment Service
Mary Hansen	Storefront Humber Inc.
Sally Spencer	YOUTH ASSISTING YOUTH
Sung-Ju Maeng	Doorsteps Neighbourhood Services
Susan Doyle	Downsview Services for Seniors
Tatjana Radovanovic	Canadian Red Cross Toronto

AWARDS SPONSOR

# Bhayana Family Foundation

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The Bhayana Family Foundation Awards are made possible by a generous donation from Raksha M. Bhayana and the Bhayana Family Foundation to United Way Toronto.

As a former member of United Way Toronto's Board of Trustees, Raksha is a dedicated community volunteer and a passionate champion for the recognition of those who make a difference in the community every day.

By sponsoring this awards program, Raksha and the Bhayana Family Foundation celebrate the spirit shown by frontline staff whose work is essential to creating a better city for us all. In particular, Raksha is committed to supporting peer nomination programs in a sector where opportunities to publicly recognize excellence are scarce.

On behalf of the United Way family, including all funded agencies and their employees, we would like to express our admiration and gratitude to Raksha and the Bhayana Family Foundation.



Raksha Bhayana,  
Bhayana Family Foundation

“Individually we are  
a drop. Together we  
are an ocean.”

Kyunonsuke Satoso

## NOMINEES

### Team Achievement

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Family Support Team	Family Day Care Services
Homes First Society Bug Team	Homes First Society
LINC Team	St. Stephen's Community House
Women's Drop-In Program Team	Street Health Community Nursing Foundation
Times Change Team	Times Change Women's Employment Service
Community Care and Wellness for Seniors Team	WoodGreen Community Services
YWCA Elm Centre Team	YWCA Toronto
Circle of Care Call Centre Team	Circle of Home Care Services (Toronto)

NOMINEES

Team Achievement

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Ready, Set, Go!  
Kindergarten  
Readiness Program

Aisling Discoveries Child  
and Family Centre

Client Services,  
Home at Last Team

CANES Community Care

Active Community  
Living for Newcomer  
Seniors

Carefirst Seniors & Community  
Services Association

Adult Protective  
Service Worker  
Program Team

Community Living Toronto

Health Services  
Department Team

Davenport-Perth Neighbourhood  
and Community Health Centre

Doorsteps Senior  
Staff Team

Doorsteps Neighbourhood Services

Transportation  
Program Team

Etobicoke Services for Seniors

AWARDS CEREMONY

December 9, 2011

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12:15 / 12:50

Lunch Reception

12:50 / 1:45

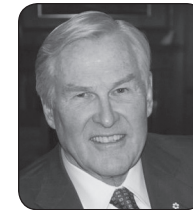
Awards Ceremony

1:45 / 2:30

Networking & Photos

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Guest Speakers



The Honourable  
Michael H. Wilson  
Chairman,  
Barclays Capital  
Canada Inc.



Susan McIsaac,  
President & CEO,  
United Way Toronto

“Never doubt that a small group of committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.”

Margaret Mead,  
American Cultural  
Anthropologist

## NOMINEES

### Innovation and Creativity

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Carrie Youdell	Davenport-Perth Neighbourhood and Community Health Centre
Eileen McGeean	Senior Peoples' Resources in North Toronto
Eliot Yip	The Cross-Cultural Community Services Association
Jessica Reynolds	Volunteer Centre of Toronto
Julia Migounova	Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living
Jyoti Brar	CANES Community Care
Katie Urquhart	University Settlement
Lekan Olawoye	For Youth Initiative in Toronto
Shawn Mintz	ACCES Employment
Shirley Gillis-Kendall	Native Child & Family Services of Toronto
Song Sha	Times Change Women's Employment Service

## NOMINEES

### Partnership Builder

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<b>Julie Callaghan</b>	Unison Health and Community Services
<b>Kanu Chopra</b>	CANES Community Care
<b>Likwa Nkala</b>	East Metro Youth Services
<b>Rabindra Nath Sabat</b>	Settlement Assistance and Family Support Services
<b>Rashid Osman</b>	Skills for Change
<b>Shaida Addetia</b>	WoodGreen Community Services
<b>Ursula Krubnik</b>	Women's Habitat
<b>Violet Atkinson</b>	Community Living Toronto

## SELECTION PANEL

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The Bhayana Family Foundation Awards Selection Panel is composed of five to seven members, with the election of one Panel Chair, and facilitated by non-voting United Way staff members. The panel includes four members from different United Way funded agencies (two management and two front line staff), one member from a non-United Way funded agency, one Community Investment volunteer, and one labour representative. Efforts are made to ensure the panel is representative and reflective of the communities we serve.

**James Conner**  
(Panel Chair)  
Scotiabank

**Natalie Johnson**  
St. Stephen's  
Community House

**Adam Silver**  
Bernard Betel Centre

**Shannon Thomas Ryan**  
The Black Coalition  
for AIDS Prevention

**Andreia Alvares**  
Community Living Toronto

**Katelyn Field**  
(non-voting panel facilitator)  
United Way Toronto

**Karen Letofsky**  
Distress Centres

**Laura Cavazzon**  
Hydro One

**Okeima Lawrence**  
(non-voting panel facilitator)  
United Way Toronto

NOMINEES  
Dedication

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Alain Graham	Skills for Change
Alberto Rodil	Thorncliffe Neighbourhood Office
Alisa Diokno	Child Development Institute
Angela Gagliano	Warden Woods Community Centre
Colleen Phillips	Warden Woods community Centre
Cristina dos Santos	ACCES Employment
Daljit Padwal	Doorsteps Neighbourhood Services
Danny Firestone	East Metro Youth Services
Eleni Makris	Aisling Discoveries
Elizabeth Lynn	Centre for Information & Community Services
Heather Bergen	June Callwood Centre for Women and Families
Henri Fraser	The Good Neighbours' Club
Holly Kirkconnell	Times Change Women's Employment Service
Ian Edward	Toronto Kiwanis Boys & Girls Clubs
Irene Oeffling	VHA Home HealthCare
Jemima Sabapathy	Skills for Change
Joanna Woo	Hong Fook Mental Health Association
Joe Amero	St.Stephen's Community House
Karl Everaldo Anthony Burk	St.Stephen's Community House

NOMINEES  
Dedication

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Katarina Maata-Hebdon	Yorktown Child and Family Centre
Lilo Gabelmann	CANES Community Care
Lisa Walker	Horizons for Youth
Lorena Murialdo	Planned Parenthood Toronto
Luisa Chang	Chinese Family Services of Ontario
Mike Nevin	FoodShare Toronto
Myra Santone	North York Women's Shelter
Natalia Kola	Centre for Information and Community Services
Norman Hanson	University Settlement
Priya Ramanujam	East Metro Youth Services
Richard Chu-Yow	Albion Neighbourhood Services
Ruth Cohen	Bernard Betel Centre
Sharon John	JVS Toronto
Shir Shaheer	JVS Toronto
Sundari Casipullai	Rexdale Women's Centre
Susan Scacchi	Downsview Services for Seniors
Tekeste Foto	St. Stephen's Community House