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## WHAT WE DO

An innovative, free after-school program, **beyond 3:30** is offered in 18 Toronto schools between the hours of 3:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. each school day. Operating in Neighbourhood Improvement Areas during the time of day that many of our children are at their most vulnerable, **beyond 3:30** and **beyond 3:30 Junior** give students between the ages of 8 and 14 a safe and welcoming place to go for homework support, a healthy meal, sports, and other opportunities that are often out of reach for families facing poverty issues.

## KEY FACTS

- » In Toronto's Neighbourhood Improvement Areas, only 5% of young people have access to after-school programs.
- » With 23 programs running in 18 school sites, during a regular school year, **beyond 3:30** keeps more than 1,200 students safe and engaged.
- » Over 80% of **beyond 3:30** students enjoyed learning how to cook nutritious food and 90% learned more about healthy eating choices.
- » Over 70% of **beyond 3:30** students improved their grades after participating in the program, and 87% reported that they're now better at completing assignments and understanding the material thanks to our consistent homework support.
- » Through our Homework 2.0 program we provide individual, as well as small group and online academic support each week.
- » **beyond 3:30** participants get a minimum of 60 minutes of physical activity every school day.

## THE IMPACT

*Before joining **beyond 3:30**, a 12 year old girl went home to an empty apartment and would only eat a bag of chips for supper. With the TV as her only source of company, she would often fall asleep on the couch, and rarely completed her homework. A school friend told her about **beyond 3:30**, and after reluctantly joining, the girl can't get enough of the program and finishes her homework on time.*

*When he had nothing to do after school, a Grade 7 student started getting into trouble in the neighbourhood. His mother enrolled him in **beyond 3:30** where he made new friends who were positive influences in his life. He is now more cooperative with his family and is developing leadership skills.*

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