

January Newsletter

Updates, events, and recommended reading from Women Transforming Cities.



Welcome to 2023!

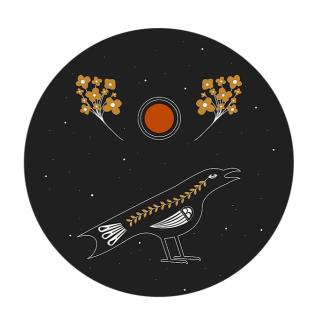
We hope you had a restful break. The WTC team is back this week, and we can't wait to start planning our advocacy, events and campaigns for 2023. Welcome to everyone who has recently joined us as a member - we are excited to announce that we reached our 2022 goal of over 100 members on December 31st! Thank you to those of you who have been long time members. We look forward to continued advocacy and championing equitable municipal policies together this coming year.

Updates from WTC

Our TRC Report launches this week!

This week we'll be releasing our <u>TRC</u> <u>Calls to Action in BC Municipalities</u> report that lays out the progress,

barriers, and opportunities to accelerate the implementation of the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action that pertain specifically to local government. The report contains our research findings, context on the identified 10 Calls to Action that pertain to local government including: why the Call is needed, how they relate to local governments, and examples of what implementation can look like in practice. Lastly, the report summarizes key takeaways to guide municipalities in accelerating this work. Keep your eye out for an email with a link to read in just a few short days!



Exploring a Watch Council expansion

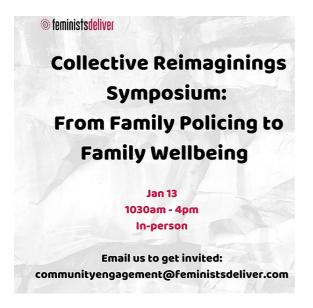
We are excited to explore helping individuals and organizations in other municipalities set up their own Watch Council, a group that follows city council initiatives and organizes actions to advocate for equity issues. If you are interested in starting a Watch Council where you live, join us at our exploratory meeting Wednesday, January 25 from 5:30-7 PM (PT). Email ash@womentransformingcities.org for more details.



Upcoming Events

Feminists Deliver host a symposium

Register for Collective Reimaginings
Symposium: From Family Policing to
Family Wellbeing by emailing
communityengagement@feministsd



eliver.com to join on January 13 from 10:30-4:00 PM (PT). This symposium aims to co-imagine how to move from family policing towards family wellbeing, and share the work being done to abolish the existing family policing system. You don't want to miss it.

More Info Here

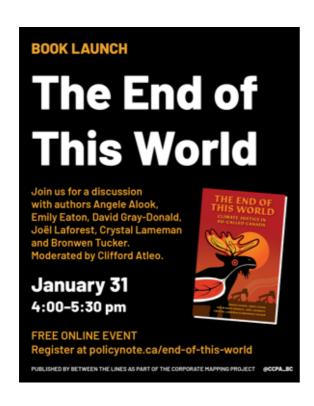


Canada's Gameviolence, misogyny and racism in hockey

This destructive culture of Hockey
Canada has been causing significant
harm for the past 30 years and to
generations of junior hockey players. At
Canada's Game, Thursday, January
26 at 4:00 PM (PT), Tamara Taggart
will lead a conversation with awardwinning journalist Laura Robinson and
Queen's University Assistant Professor
Courtney Szto about the systemic
problem of sexual violence, toxic
masculinity and racism in Canada's
hockey culture.

Register Here

Book launch and climate justice discussion



Join the authors of *The End of the This World* on Zoom for a discussion on **January 31 from 4-5:30 PM (PT)**. This book lays out "the necessary just transition from fossil fuels cannot succeed without dismantling settler capitalism in Canada." The authors will discuss the "roadmap to a livable future, where Indigenous sovereignty and climate justice go hand in hand, showing that the next world is both within reach and worth fighting for."

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Read, Watch, & Learn

- Fill out the <u>budget survey</u> to help guide the City of Vancouver's 2023 spending, including allocating funds to frontline support services.
- Amplify the statement: <u>Demand for Urgent Action to Protect the Lives of Indigenous Women, Girls, Two-Spirit, & Gender-Diverse People Experiencing Homelessness</u>.
- Listen to Cree reporter Connie Walker's podcast series: <u>Stolen</u>. The first season is about her father and the Canadian residential school system. The second uncovers a case of a missing Indigenous Women in Montana. Both draw attention to the racism and history of genocide and violence against Indigenous peoples in North America.
- Explore the <u>What Works Toolkit</u> to learn more about actions and resources related to equity and diversity within organizations, including anti-racism, anti-harassment, and inclusive workplace strategies.











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