

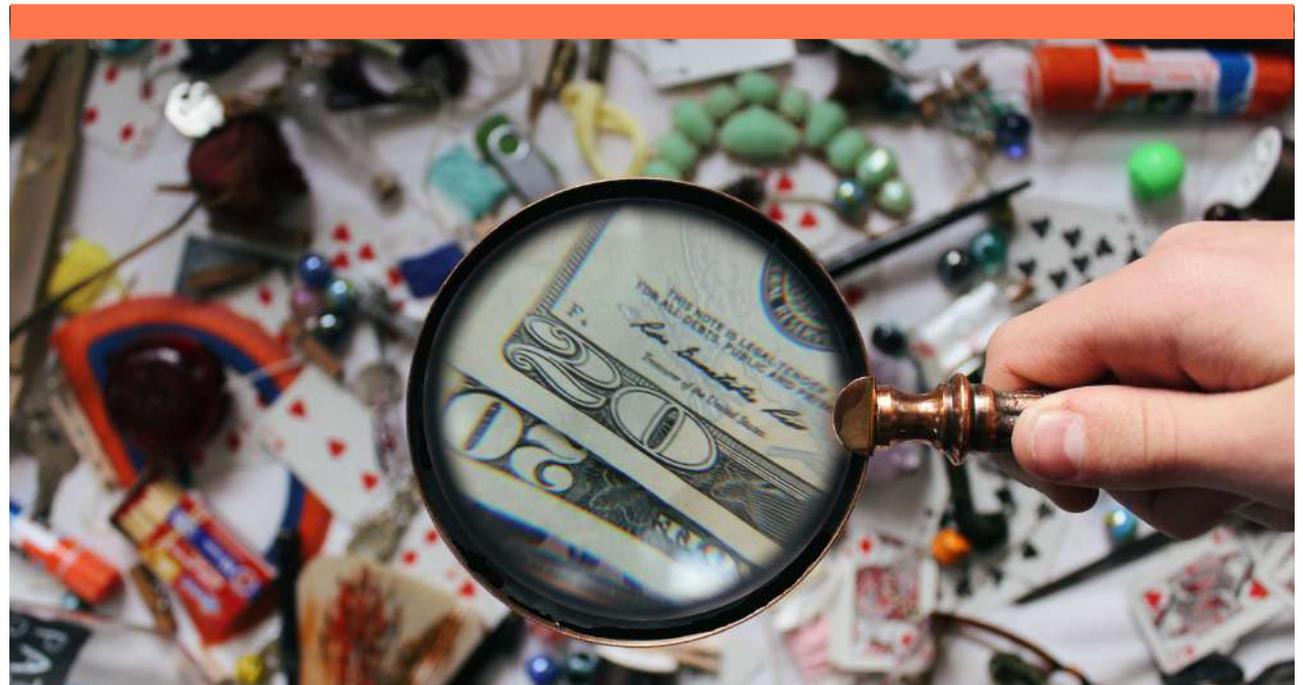
ABOUT WOMEN'S ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM

YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region offers *three programs* to support women struggling with instability. Getting Ahead is a FREE economic empowerment program offering long-term solutions women shut out of the workforce, or who are looking to get ahead instead of get by. The curriculum is based on the evidence-based work of Dr. Ruby Payne, who wrote "Bridges Out of Poverty."

Participants in the Getting Ahead program are provided:

- Support services after the program are provided to encourage and motivate.
- Support to complete a comprehensive economic action plan for success.
- Regular attendance enables participants in good standing to receive financial support.

Past graduates have gone on to attend universities and have found employment, which has improved their lives both economically and personally.



SCHEDULE

Spring

9-Week Program: March - June

Graduation: June

Fall

9-Week Program: September - December

Graduation: December

Getting Ahead meets twice per week for 2.5 hours for 9 weeks. The program is offered in Saginaw, Bay, and Midland Counties.

We offer the classes in person or on Zoom, and also provide a snack during class as well as gas cards or bus passes.

HOW TO ENROLL

Women interested in attending Getting Ahead may contact YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region at **989.894.9055** or complete the referral form at **<http://www.ywcagibr.org/weep-referral-form/>**

Once referred, YWCA staff will you to discuss program details, answer questions and determine eligibility.



MOVING AHEAD

YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region offers Moving Ahead, a FREE five week financial literacy program based on the Allstate Foundations curriculum.

The program covers topics like budgeting, credit scores, mortgages and loans, and other important vital topics.

Benefits for participating in Moving Ahead include - support in completing the curriculum, expert speakers and a stipend will be available to graduates of this program.

STAYING AHEAD

YWCA Great Lakes Bay Region offers Staying Ahead, an after program that offers continued support services. This is open to all past Getting Ahead and Moving Ahead graduates, and the goal is to provide support, advice, and encouragement.

"Getting Ahead helped me take the time to work on where I was, and where I'm headed." -
2019 Graduate

"I am truly thankful for what I learned and experienced" -
2021 Graduate

MISSION

YWCA is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women, and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all.

"Thank you for the amazing class and motivation. Getting Ahead literally gave me a second chance at the life and career I want to have. This means the world to me and my children because I get to better their lives as well."

- 2018 Graduate

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