

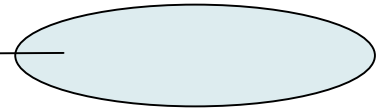
## Mapping the Field of Women in IT in Canada

### Groups: Community Support Organizations

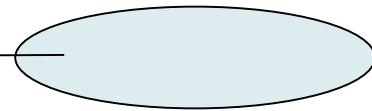
<b>1. Community MicroSkills Development Centre</b>	
What It Is:	non-profit organization
Designed to Impact:	workforce, informal and formal training, entrepreneurship, leadership
Mandate:	Recognizing barriers that immigrants, racial minority, youth and women face in their efforts towards self-sufficiency, MicroSkills aims to enable them to participate more fully in Canadian society and assist them in acquiring the skills needed to achieve self-determination and economic, social and political equality.
Target Population:	immigrant low income unemployed women who have experienced violence
Geographical Region Served:	GTA
Website:	<a href="http://www.microskills.ca">http://www.microskills.ca</a>
Contact Information:	1 Vulcan Street Etobicoke, ON M9W 1L3 Tel: 416-247-7181 ext. 2217 Fax: 416-247-1877
Contact Name:	Contact: Jane Wilson Email: <a href="mailto:jwilson@microskills.ca">jwilson@microskills.ca</a>  Director of Operations and Technology, Doreen Williams <a href="mailto:dwilliams@microskills.ca">dwilliams@microskills.ca</a>
Timing:	1984 to present
Area of Specialty:	IT trades and technology women's economic self-sufficiency
Funding Sources:	Ontario Women's Directorate United Way Community Access Program CompTIA Canadian Women's Foundation Maytree Foundation
Other Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- offers a variety of training opportunities in IT, trades and business related technology use</li> <li>- provides a range of employment and entrepreneurial services</li> <li>- WOMEN IN TRANSPORTATION: A program to match</li> </ul>

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	women with rewarding careers in transportation - see "training" for specifics
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<b>2. WEE (Women's Economic Equality) Society</b>	
What It Is:	non-profit organization
Designed to Impact:	policy, workforce, education, informal and formal training, entrepreneurship
Mandate:	to promote the economic well-being of women in Nova Scotia by facilitating programs and services that support women's full participation in the social and economic development of the province
Target Population:	unemployed low income immigrant girls college  trainers industry government
Geographical Region Served:	Nova Scotia
Website:	<a href="http://weesociety.ca">http://weesociety.ca</a>
Contact Information:	Phone: 902.857.1061 Fax: 902.857-1001 Email: <a href="mailto:infoATweesociety.ca">infoATweesociety.ca</a> Mail: PO Box 38, Hubbards NS Canada B0J 1T0
Contact Name:	
Timing:	established in 1996
Area of Specialty:	IT trades and technology women's economic self-sufficiency
Funding Sources:	HRSDC Canadian Women's Foundation Status of Women Canada Nova Scotia Government
Other Notes:	Past IT/technology projects include: - Equality in Technology Project - Women On-line Computer Training - IT Works for Women - Research Component - Changing Lanes - Women in Science and Technology Objectives: • Create social and economic opportunities • Provide arenas for learning and growth • Build both individual and group capacity • Support collaborations, partnerships and networks • Encourage the inclusion of diverse women • Promote gender equality in all agencies and institutions

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