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The YMCA of Hamilton | Burlington | Brantford is planning the "Youth of Tomorrow" conference that will take place on **March 24, 2022,** for BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Colour) youth in the Greater Hamilton Area (Hamilton, Halton, and Grand Erie).

Introduction to Youth of Tomorrow

The YMCA of Hamilton | Burlington | Brantford recognizes that there continue to be gaps in supporting BIPOC youth in their education, employment and career goals.

This pilot project, funded by RBC Future Launch and supported by the Ted Rogers Foundation and Immigration, Refugee and Citizenship Canada, consists of the delivery of career exploration, skill development, and mentorship to BIPOC youth from Hamilton, Halton, and Grand Erie.

Youth will have an opportunity to attend a virtual, 1-day conference. At the conference, they will have the opportunity to learn from the experience and insights of BIPOC leaders from various fields as they listen to keynotes, attend skill development workshops, and connect to career exploration resources. After the conference, participants will have the opportunity to receive ongoing individualized support with career exploration.

The Conference

The conference will take place virtually on Thursday, March 24, 2022. It will bring together 200 BIPOC youth, most of whom are about to graduate, have been out of high school for a few years, or are in post-secondary, and are thinking about their career options. Youth will learn about some of the key growing employment sectors in the greater Hamilton area and the skills that will help them be ready for the future employment market. There will be a keynote message, workshops, and a panel discussion.

Sincerely,

Youth of Tomorrow Team

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