

Nellie's Shelter Bottle Drive

Thank you are for making this a great year for the Bottle Drive \$770.

This is a CDC project started back in 2014 by the Chair at that time Orlando Flores. As it was a tradition that at the end of each year, CDC would hold their Annual Food and Clothing Drive, which was split between Yonge Street Mission and Food and money collected went to PWA. He thought that CDC should be doing something for the woman of the community. He came up with the bottle drive. Since the beer store was still at Church and Wellesley this was easy to do. CDC came up with a system that red tags were dropped off at every door, so when collection dates came by we would knock on those doors. You could hear the clanging of bottles and carts on every floor. Then came the trek up the street to cash them in. This year since the beer store closed down and the trek was now down the street to Gerrard and Sherburne and with the COVID things had to change. Instead of red tags a phone call method was used so that people would call and a pick up time was arranged so that nothing was left in the halls. Plus not having a car everything had to be carted to the store on foot. The dumpsters rooms were not used for safety from COVID and unwanted bugs. And free of the dumpster drivers that go in them and then walk the halls in each building.

You would proudly say this was the best year yet and in the total for the past 6 years over **\$5500** was given to Nellie's Shelter

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