

THANK YOU

for “the best gift ever”!

Natasha Korosi is a fighter. From homelessness, to mental health issues, to experiencing challenge after challenge in finding a daycare she trusted for her son, Eli, Korosi discovered ‘the best gift ever’ at NorQuest College.

“I wouldn’t be able to go where I want to go without a starting point,” says Korosi. “That is the 1000 Women Child Care Centre. Without it, I wouldn’t have this chance to pursue my long-term goal of becoming a psychiatrist. I probably wouldn’t be going to school at all.”

The 28-year-old single mom is currently completing Academic Upgrading at NorQuest. With the child care centre right on campus, Korosi says she has so much time to study, do homework, and spend quality time with her son.

“Before moving to downtown and coming to NorQuest with my son, I was on the bus for four hours. I bussed an hour to drop him to daycare, then an hour to go to school, and then the same routine after school. That was brutal. I knew I needed to make a change; I had no quality of life with my son because I had no time. It was pick him up, feed him dinner, and then bedtime. I couldn’t do that as a single parent.”

Since winter 2018 when she started at NorQuest, and Eli joined the child care centre, Korosi has experienced a whole new world.

“With Eli having developmental disorders, other places treated him like he was half of his age and they did everything for him.

At this centre, they empower him to do things himself. I am so happy—

I go in and I’m surprised with something he has started to do! They don’t treat him like he has a disability; they treat him like he makes the room more diverse. He adds something different to the room that another child can’t bring.”



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With a career plan in place and a child care centre that she “100 per cent trusts,” Korosi is more driven than ever to succeed.

“This is giving me hope for the future—not just for my future, but his too.”

She is also deeply thankful to the 1000 Women movement and donors.

“Thank you for making such a purposeful building for children who will be able to experience the best of their lives with the lessons and values that this centre teaches.”



10 YEARS

of Difference Making



"I would like to express how thankful I am to have received the bursary. It came at a dire time in my life. I am a single mom and a student, which has to be the two hardest jobs to tackle at the same time. I used the money to buy myself some things to improve my quality of life like new sheets, some new clothes for my son as he is always growing, and food to fill my fridge and cupboards.

Thank you again for believing that I deserved to get something.

It was very helpful and I appreciate your kindness very much."

– KAYLA B., ACADEMIC UPGRADING STUDENT



Total raised over ten years:

\$3,305,046



MILLION POSSIBILITIES ENDOWMENT FUND

\$1,040,337

1000 WOMEN CHILD CARE CENTRE

\$968,239

1000 WOMEN CHILD CARE ACCESS BURSARY

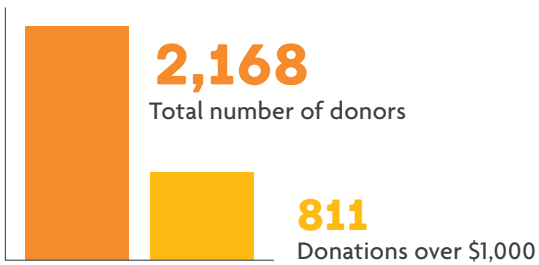
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1000 WOMEN LEARNER ACCESS BURSARY

\$796,470



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"I would like to express my sincere gratitude for your generosity in providing this funding. I am truly happy to be a recipient of this and it will significantly help to lighten my financial problem in my living circumstance. This money will help me pay my security deposit for my rent after my roommate left with no notice during finals. I had no one or nowhere to turn to.

I will never forget the generosity extended to me!"

– ACADEMIC UPGRADING STUDENT

