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NEW FUNDING FOR BANYAN:
Extended Domestic Support Services (EDSS) Program

HAMILTON, Ontario –

Responding to Ontario's four-year plan: **Ontario-STANDS: Standing Together Against gender-based violence Now through Decisive actions, prevention, empowerment and Supports** (Ontario-STANDS), Banyan is pleased to announce Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services (MCCSS) funding award for our Extended Domestic Support Services program.

Banyan's CEO, Kim Ciavarella remarked, *"Gender-based violence is a pervasive issue that affects people of all backgrounds, genders and ages. Banyan's renown expertise for providing complex, multi-faceted solutions through evidence-based and targeted approach aligns with Ontario-STANDS. Banyan is proud to provide innovative practices to help stop gender-based violence in all forms."*

Banyan is a well-established and well-connected not-for-profit organization providing quality services to the youth justice, children, and seniors community support sectors since 1978. Banyan has developed a strong infrastructure to support those we serve. Our specialized programs and services offer new learning opportunities to increase skills and abilities, improve and change negative behaviour, and promote successful engagement with community. Our multidisciplinary approach provides support with the utmost respect and dignity for those we serve.

To learn more about Banyan's programs and services visit: <https://banyancommunityservices.org/>

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