

## 13th Annual "Tribute" Fundraiser



Jane Pritchard from Anderson DDB accepting thanks from Gina Papageorgiou, President of the Board, for the firm's Pro Bono work in creating a new logo and website for the Clinic.



Gord Cressy, extraordinary auctioneer of the thrilling live auction portion of the evening.  
*Photos: Chris Higgins*

Over the past 13 years, the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic has held a major fundraising event, the "Tribute". In addition to raising funds, this annual special event helps the Clinic to enhance its public image, increase contact with its supporters, and provide public education.

On June 13th 2007, over 400 supporters of the Clinic joined staff, Board and volunteers for the 13th Annual "Tribute Fundraiser" at the fabulous C Lounge, 456 Wellington Street West. With the help of 32 law firms, 10 corporations, 5 individual sponsors, 2 anonymous donors, and many businesses and individuals who donated gifts-in-kind for our silent and live auction, the Clinic raised over \$82,000.

The Clinic would like to thank our newest sponsors of this event: Stikeman Elliott LLP, Gardiner Roberts LLP, Corporate Immigration Law Firm, Advocate Placement Ltd., MacDonald & Partners LLP, Wintrip Wolkoff Shin, Connor, Clark & Lunn Financial Group, the Law Office of Anat Schreiber, the Law Practice of Davine D. Burton, the Law Office of Rochelle F. Cantor, Stevensons LLP, Egan LLP, Chitiz Pathak LLP, RBC Foundation, and the Lamoureaux family. We sincerely appreciate your partnership. We would also like to acknowledge Solitaire Jewelry and Perry Dellelce for their generous donations.

Without the long-standing commitment and the generosity of our 2 host sponsors Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP, and McCarthy Tetrault and our annual partners Torys LLP, Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP, Aber Diamond Corporation, CIBC, J. Rob Collins, Ogilvy Renault LLP, Davies Ward Phillips & Vineberg LLP, Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP, Navigant Consulting, Torkin Manes Cohen Arbus LLP, Lax O'Sullivan Scott LLP, Aird & Berlis LLP, Blaney McMurtry LLP, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP, CAW (Canadian Auto Workers) Social Justice Fund, Cavalluzzo Hayes Shilton McIntyre & Cornish LLP, Minden Gross Grafstein & Greenstein LLP, Lenczner Slaght Royce Smith Griffin LLP, Sack Goldblatt Mitchell LLP, Adair Morse LLP, Film Festival Tours, and the Peters family this event could not have grown in size and significance as a fundraiser for the Clinic. Your financial contributions are truly appreciated.

## INTERPRETER SERVICE

### The Language Interpreters' Symposium 2007: MAKING CONNECTIONS

The Barbra Schlifer Clinic's Interpreter Service Department organized a Language Interpreters' Symposium which was held in April 2007 at the Metropolitan Hotel in Toronto. "Making Connections: Building Capacity for Interpreting in Ontario" was attended by 220 participants from across the province.

A Welcome Reception was held April 19 at the Toronto City Hall with the Honourable Sandra Pupatello, Minister Responsible for Women's Issues, thanking participants for "their invaluable services to victims of domestic violence so they can access the services they need in the language they know best."

The Symposium gave tribute and acknowledgement to Language Interpreters with 15 years of experience or more. Interpreters received their respective Certificates from the Honourable Mike Colle, Minister of Citizenship and Immigration. Minister Colle commended the Interpreters on "the services they provide playing a crucial role in assisting vulnerable women and families, especially those with limited English."

The 2-day conference included 22 workshop sessions, which covered three streams of discussion: Professional Development, Capacity Building and Self-Regulation. Below there is feedback from participants:

*"It's wonderful that Toronto Interpreters have this opportunity to attend this workshop, updating themselves ... that there are so many resources out there."*

*"The three presenters have given us very thorough information in the areas of their expertise. I learned a lot. As a community Interpreter, the information I learned in this session is extremely useful. I enjoyed the session. Thank you."*

*"I am very glad I attended this session. I learned a lot including some rights I didn't even think I possess."*

*"Excellent! This workshop gives me a warning that Interpreters will have to upgrade themselves for survival in the near future. We have to further study to obtain certificates. This session is excellent. We learned skills using technology, finding ways to solve problems, getting support and much more! Thank you."*



Twelve interpreters received their certificate in recognition of their 15 or more years of service in Ontario.



Towards the end of the event, participants worked in small groups on recommendations for the future.

## LEGAL DEPARTMENT

### **Public Interest Articling Fellowship Program Sponsored by Pro Bono Students Canada and the Law Foundation of Ontario.**

In 2006, the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic was the recipient of its first Public Interest Articling Fellowship. This program was established by Pro Bono Students Canada in cooperation with its funder, the Law Foundation of Ontario. Social justice organizations from across Ontario were invited to apply for a Fellowship that would enable them to employ an Articling Student in their organization for one academic year. These students would be hired to deliver services to marginalized individuals and/or otherwise engage in the legal services/advocacy initiatives of their host organization. The Schlifer Clinic was one of only 6 organizations in the province who were successful in receiving a Fellowship.

In the summer of 2006, the Clinic received applications from over 120 students looking for social justice-oriented articling experiences. Our selection process concluded in the hiring of a University of Toronto law student, Lee Ann Siu, who commenced her employment with the Clinic in September 2006. Lee Ann worked in the delivery of a range of family law services under the able supervision of her principal, Clinic family lawyer Nilufa Husein. The program was highly successful in meeting its goals to provide a diverse learning (articling) experience to law students, providing additional resources to the social justice organizations and enabling such organizations to increase the accessibility, scope and diversity of their legal programs and services.

Following upon the success of Year One, Pro Bono Students Canada and the Law Foundation of Ontario approved subsequent Fellowships for the Clinic (for the years 2007/08 and 2008/09.) We are now working with our second Articling Student, Janette Bernard (a Queens University Law School graduate) and we have hired our student for the following year.

The Schlifer Clinic would like to express its gratitude to Pro Bono Students Canada and to the Law Foundation for making this unique and innovative program available to agencies such as ours. This program has proven to be invaluable to our organization.

### **Coming up in June 2008...**

#### **Join us for the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic's 14th Annual "Tribute".**

You are invited to a special fundraising evening  
of music, food, celebration  
and our famous Silent Auction and more!!

Visit [www.schliferclinic.com](http://www.schliferclinic.com) for more details.

## VOLUNTEER CORNER

### **We would like to take this opportunity to celebrate our volunteers.**

Our highly diverse volunteers bring many skills and a great deal of enthusiasm as well as a strong desire to make a difference in our community. They contribute to the Clinic in a variety of positions from front line reception and office work to sitting on the Board of Directors. The volunteer program at the Clinic is an important source of learning and empowerment for women. In line with the educational work the Clinic engages in, the volunteer program continues to promote community development by impacting on the lives of many women who volunteer with us.

### **Here are some comments from our volunteers:**

"I want to thank you for the opportunity to volunteer at Schlifer Clinic. In the short time I was here, I learned a lot about the issues you deal with and I will definitely take this knowledge into my education in law. Your staff are helpful and the office is great - who knows, maybe I will apply to article at the Clinic in the future!" (A. Gersh)

"I have been volunteering at the Schlifer Clinic for six months and I have learned so much from my experience here. At first I worked at reception while helping out with the preparations for the 13th Annual Tribute. Through this work I simultaneously learned about what is involved in fund-raising for non profit organizations, while being the first point of contact for the women calling in to enquire about our services. My work was given true meaning every day that I came to the Clinic. I was perfectly ushered, by the Volunteer Coordinator, into my position of working while learning from observation and experience. I could not have accomplished what I did at the Clinic without her guidance and instruction. Apart from the people I worked closely with, I learned a great deal just from the environment at the Clinic. I learned about different careers that I did not even know existed as well as the social support system in our community. I now work for, and continue to be guided by, the Legal Intake Worker and find my horizons to be continuously broadened. I did not know what to expect when I began working at the Clinic, but I have found more there than I could have ever known I would. Thank you for the opportunity to work with you." (B. Lazarus)

"As a volunteer over the past year at the Schlifer Clinic, I have witnessed first hand, the diligent efforts of the multidisciplinary team of staff in combating violence against women. Amongst the vital services they provide, the importance of advocacy

was demonstrated in the simplest things such as letters written on behalf of clients for donations of furniture, to letters of appeal for Legal Aid to those denied it...simple things that the Schlifer Clinic does not take for granted and that make MAJOR differences in the lives of the women they serve (as expressed in their indebted gratitude). It is a given that volunteering your time at the Schlifer Clinic will be an empowering experience and I hope to continually take part in this arduous journey in freeing women from violence." (K. Choe)

"Volunteering at the Schlifer Clinic was a risk both the staff and I took. Not only because this was the first time volunteering didn't consist of helping out at the school book fair, or running the concerts, but also because I am still the ripe old age of fifteen. Little did I know that volunteering here would be more than I could have ever imagined it to be. The staff was extremely nice to me (and not because I was the "baby" either). They treated me with respect and made me feel like I was part of the family, and soon enough, they all had earned themselves a place in roughly the area of my right atrium (in hues of purple\* no less). My summer here won't be forgotten all that easily, give or take 10 months, in which time I hope to be back and relive the magic once more.

\*In case no one understands that, it's not that I have a rare heart disease; it's the colors of the logo, etc." (A. Zachariah)

"My volunteer experience began in October 2006 at the Schlifer Clinic through the Women's Studies Practicum course at the University of Toronto. Since then, I have learned countless things from many strong and admirable women - staff and clients alike. Most notably, my volunteer experience has increased my appreciation for the Schlifer Clinic as

an organization that provides assistance to many women who have been affected by violence in our community. The staff at the Schlifer Clinic have always provided a positive learning environment and have never hesitated to answer any questions that I had. I have always felt welcome and a part of the Schlifer Clinic family as the staff have included me in important events, particularly the 2007 Annual Tribute Fundraiser. I have immense gratitude for my volunteer experience which has been unique and has shaped my perspective on life as I have seen women assisting women in our community to overcome violence. Moreover, it has instilled in me the desire and motivation to continue doing this work in the future." (T. Mohammed)

To know that our Volunteer Program is meaningful to our volunteers gives us much satisfaction, as it validates the work that we do and encourages us to continue working to strengthen the program. We are committed to making volunteers an integral part of our organization and facilitating personal and community growth. We look forward to continuously being surrounded by wonderful women committed to helping women build their lives free from violence.

**If you would like to volunteer at the Clinic  
please call Julia Sanchez at 416.323.9149 x 240  
or visit our website: [www.schliferclinic.com](http://www.schliferclinic.com)**

### **Volunteer Week –April 27 to May 3, 2008**

Mark your calendars! We will be celebrating our dedicated volunteers during National Volunteer Week from April 27 to May 3. Watch out for an update and more information!

## **Good-byes and Welcomes**

Thank you to **Wendy Kelley, Priyanka Sheth** and **Anne Scott**, valued and dedicated members of our Board of Directors whose contributions and many years of service are deeply appreciated and who will be missed. We welcome **Carla Swansburg, Debbie Caruso, Tina Wilson** and **Dr. Terry McQuaid** to the Board and very much look forward to working together with each of you over the coming years.

Good-bye to **Cherie Miller**, former Director of Counselling. Thank you for your immense contributions to the Clinic and we wish you the very best in your new position at the Regent Park Community Health Centre. **Rebecca Teshome**, Transitional Support Counsellor has also assumed a new position and we extend our sincere appreciation for her 16 years here, working in several different capacities. **Patricia Arango**, Counsellor, has left to return to her homeland of Columbia- thank you and we all extend our best wishes for the future.

**Lee-Ann Siu**, our former Articling Student, has now joined the staff as a lawyer. Congratulations and welcome in your new capacity to the legal team. We also welcome **Janette Bernard**, this year's Articling Student, who brings unique and enriching previous legal experience to the team. Other new staff members are **Petra Batek-Gould**, Counsellor, and **Lisa Shankly** and **Alicia Blanco**, Transitional Support Workers. We are thrilled to have you join the Barbra Schlifer Clinic staff team.

## Sasha Manes' speech prepared for the United Way fundraising campaign 2007

My name is Sasha Manes and I am a volunteer at the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic which is a counselling, legal, interpretation, information and referral service for women survivors of violence.

Thank you very much for inviting me to speak to you today about the Schlifer Clinic and about how, without United Way's support, this organization could not have served the 3,500 women it did last year. It is a pleasure to speak to you on behalf of all the women and children who receive your money. Without your help there would be no way for the Clinic to have helped them escape abuse. Without your support the Clinic could not have helped them feel safe and secure in their homes, and ultimately live independently. Simply, without you there would be no way.

As a former Sponsored Employee for United Way I do not need to ask myself why one would and should donate to United Way. After working on the Campaign for four months and hearing agency speakers like myself speak out about their personal experiences at organizations that simply could not exist without United Way's support, I decided to start volunteering at a United Way agency. I chose the Barbra Schlifer Clinic.

I have always known that violence against women takes place, obviously, but what I didn't know until I started at the Clinic was how prevalent it is in our society. For instance, did you know that over half, that's 51% of Canadian women have been victims of at least one act of physical or sexual violence since the age of 16? And that the victimization least likely to be reported is sexual assault? And that only 8% of sexual assaults are reported to the police and young women ages 25-34 have the highest rates of spousal violence reported to police?

It is well established that violence against women is rooted in social, political and economic inequality between men and women. Multiple forces work together to reinforce even greater conditions of inequality and social exclusion including race, class, and immigration status. Women are not victims by nature- women are victimized because of systematic vulnerability and lack of power. Women's advocates continue to speak out loudly about the paradox that women must choose to either stay in an abusive situation or leave and possibly become homeless and reliant on shelters.

The Schlifer Clinic is not a shelter. What it offers women who have experienced violence is unique. When a woman makes the terribly difficult choice to contact the Clinic her story will first and foremost be heard by someone at the Clinic. And there is someone who will assuredly be able to hear her story because the Clinic can provide her with one of 216 Language Interpreters who speak 62 languages. They will then assess whether it is legal advice, counseling, housing support or all of the above that the woman requires. In addition the Clinic offers group counseling for spousal abuse, sexual abuse, meditation and mindfulness sessions and even yoga classes.

A woman who has experienced violence requires a holistic approach to her healing, which at the Clinic she can receive under one all encompassing roof. The fact that she can find so many different forms of treatment in one place is really important. Women who experience abuse who are recent immigrants to our country, cannot speak the language, know no one and are not given the chance to make this new country a home because they are so cut off. Whether this is her home country or not, the decision to put an end to violence can be almost as difficult as the decision to continue to endure it. That's why the United Way's support of health and social service agencies is so integral to our society; they help those agencies that are there when there is no where else to go and no one to turn to. There are a couple stories that to me represent the women that are helped at the Clinic through one or more of their services.

## THEIR STORIES.

There is a woman from Sri Lanka who has a Master's Degree in engineering but is working at Tim Horton's because although she is welcome in our country, her credentials are not recognized. Her husband did not permit her to take English classes or socialize with anybody but him. She was allowed to work, yet all her money had to be given directly to her husband.

At home she was abused both physically and mentally by her husband as well as her brother in law. He would threaten to have her deported if she objected to the abuse she experienced daily. After a particularly severe beating, her husband smashed the DVD player that she had purchased and picked up a jagged edge and cut himself on his arm. HE then went to the police and told them that she had beaten him and had the cuts to prove it. She was arrested and he charged her with assault. If it were not for the Interpretation and Legal services provided by the Schlifer Clinic, she would not have been able to tell her story and have it thoroughly understood. She would not have had the opportunity to be represented in court by a lawyer who understands violence against women and can show the court that she has experienced years of abuse... Of course the charges were thrown out after it was understood that he had been the one that had beaten her for the last 10 years.

Similarly, another survivor of violence met and married her husband in Iran. Their problems began 3 days after the wedding when he began to hit her.

Her husband frequently called her horrible names, hit her, kicked her and used different and obscene ways to torture her during their marriage. This was not the first time she had experienced torture because of her husband. He had political affiliations that resulted in her being tortured for information about him, but of this she would not speak in any detail.

After living in a refugee camp in Turkey, they arrived in Toronto. Upon arriving the family was served at COSTI, another United Way agency. After 1 month she and her husband separated, but her husband continued to abuse her, showing up at her home whenever it suited him to beat her for leaving him.

He threatened to take their son and kill him if she entered into another relationship with a Canadian man. He said that he did not care about Canadian law and that he would take the child regardless. He told her that in Canada, because he was the man of the family he could do as he pleased with her and his son. Because she did not know about Canadian laws and rights, she believed him and lived in fear everyday for her life and that of her son.

She was referred to our Legal Department for help. If it were not for the Counselling, Interpretation and Legal services at the Clinic she would still be chained to her husband out of fear. Her application for housing has been approved.

I want to be very clear that when you donate to United Way you are not giving a hand-out. I think we all know that money is not the be-all-end-all of human needs to survive and that there is no one who is so well off that they don't need some kind of help.

What all people do need, maybe above all other things, is freedom, freedom to be self-sufficient, freedom to be free. So when you donate to United Way you are not just donating money. You are giving a human life a chance at freedom and happiness. Without organizations like the Schlifer Clinic and hundreds of other health and social service agencies that United Way supports, some people will never get that chance.

So maybe the issue of violence against women isn't the one that pulls at your heart's strings, or on the other hand, maybe all social issues pull at your heart and it makes it difficult for you to choose just one issue or cause. Well good news! The greatest part about United Way is that your support goes into their Community Fund, which is essentially a pool of money that is distributed to all the 200 different Health and Social service agencies that United Way supports. You don't have to choose; you can help all of them at once with each donation.

Thank you all so much for taking the time to listen, and thank you in advance for your donation. And most of all, thank you on behalf of all the people who will be helped by your donation to the United Way. **Please give generously.**

## COUNSELLING



The Counselling Department is pleased to announce the arrival of **Giuliana Juaquina** on August 2nd. Congratulations to the mom **Susana Medina**, Transitional and Housing Support Worker, and all the best for the coming years.

From left to right: Susana, Giuliana Juaquina and Ketrina Dilo, Counsellor, on Susana's first visit to the Clinic after giving birth to Giuliana.

### A Good Bye From Rebecca Teshome After 16 years With The Clinic

To my Schlifer Clinic family:

Today is my last day. However, before I leave, I would like to take this opportunity to let you know what a great and distinct pleasure it has been to be part of this wonderful place. The feeling that I have now is akin to the time when I left my parent's place the first time and these last hours are going to be difficult for me to say goodbye and walk away from my home. I still believe and hope of coming back home again, so I want to make it easy by saying this isn't farewell as I plan to come and visit and be part of my family again. For nearly as long as I've worked here, I've hoped that I might one day leave the Clinic only to retire in a sunny place. As fate has it, the dream of retiring in a nice and warm place has not become a reality yet and I will have to plug away a few more years in a new and challenging environment. Please know that I could not have reached this change in my career goal without your support and I would especially like to thank all of my colleagues and Directors both past and present, especially Darlene for your trust, confidence, guidance and support in providing me with the opportunity to realize my potentials. Over the past so many years, you all have taught me more than I could ever ask for and, in most cases, ever did ask for. To all, I will say it is not going to be easy to forget the many wonderful and fond memories that we had together. The personal relationships, the friendships and sometimes the difference of opinions have made the Schlifer Clinic a functional family and I will always cherish these as fond memories that made the Clinic a worthy place to come to work to every morning. I will miss being here and will cherish every single second of the past sixteen years.

Keep in touch.

With Love and Respect!

Rebecca

### New furniture needed for our reception area!

Donations of sofas, coffee table, etc. are welcome and much appreciated. Our current reception area furniture is well-worn over 10 years. The Clinic will honour the donor by placing a plaque in the reception area. For more information, please contact Julia Sanchez at 416.923.9149 ext. 240 or by email at [j.sanchez@schliferclinic.com](mailto:j.sanchez@schliferclinic.com)

## Estate Planning: An Overview

This article is intended to provide an overview of Will and estate planning. It is important to stress that this is NOT a "Do-it-Yourself" guide. As the laws pertaining to estate planning and administration are ever changing, we strongly urge you to seek professional advice. This will ensure that your personal situation is considered in the context of all estate and trust laws.

### Why bother writing a will?

Most Canadians spend their lifetimes acquiring personal property, paying off the mortgage, saving for their children's education, building financial security by contributing to an RRSP or pension plan, and looking forward to retirement. However, like over half of Canadians, you might not have planned for the final distribution of those assets that you took an entire lifetime to build.

Estate planning can help you maintain the money and assets you worked so hard to accumulate. You may think that you are too busy living your life to think about death. Your Will is not about death; it is about life - the lives and protection of your loved ones and the appropriate level of support for the organizations that you helped during your lifetime. Some people put off making a Will because they're waiting for life to settle down. They look forward to a time free of unresolved family concerns, decisions, work problems and so on. Unfortunately, such a time rarely arrives. Your Will is never made. Without a Will, your best intentions and any promises you made in life may not be realized.

What you do today can make a difference to your own well being, to the future of the people you care about, and to the organizations that you support. The value of having an estate plan can be measured in peace of mind, as well as in dollars. Do the best job you can today, knowing that additions or revisions to your Will can be made when you review your Will in the future. A Will can be rewritten or amended at any time and only comes into effect when you die. The fact that a Will only becomes effective at death is an important point. Some people believe that their wishes, as detailed in a Will, will be carried out if they become ill and are unable to carry out their financial responsibilities. This is not the case. A separate legal document called a Power of Attorney must be completed to legally allow one person to act on the behalf of another. A Power of Attorney ends at death and the Will takes over from that point.

### Death and taxes: Two certainties of life

There are no estate taxes or succession duties in Canada. However, taxes upon death have not disappeared. For Canada Revenue Agency (formerly Revenue Canada) evaluation purposes, all your property -stocks, bonds, RRSPs, real estate, etc.- are deemed to have been sold at fair market value on the day of your death. Some of your assets may have appreciated in value, and the increase in their value becomes taxable on your death. This also applies to your RRSP if you do not have a spouse to whom you can transfer it. Without an estate plan, you could lose nearly half of the value of the gains to Revenue Canada. While your Executor may claim full personal exemptions on your final income tax return, your estate may end up paying taxes at the highest tax rate (over 50%).

### What is probate?

"Probate" is formal recognition by the provincial court of the validity of your Will and the appointment of the person named as Executor. Granting of the "letters probate" is notice to the public that the Will complies with the basic formal requirements and that the Will was not being challenged at the time of application. There have been recent increases in provincial probate fees. Estate planners can assist you in avoiding or deferring probate fees.

### Is all this planning expensive?

Estate planning need not be expensive or complicated. First, who knows better than you what you want done with the things that you've worked all your life to build. However, planning does take time. Second, seek the professional advice of an expert to guide you on the financial and legal implications of drafting your Will. This will help to ensure that you get the most favourable tax treatment possible. If you are considering a gift to a charity or charities that you support, you may wish to discuss your options with their representatives to make sure that they can comply with your wishes.

For a free copy of a simple estate-planning tool called "Will Planning Guide – The Basics", please call us at 416-323-9149, extension 237.

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Thanks to Norman Hardie Winery, Steam Whistle Brewery, Raymond's Fair Trade Coffee Service, Graham Sanborn Media Inc., Bay Bloor Radio, Ladies Golf Club of Toronto, Mr. Massimo Siciliano of Clarkson Rouble LLP and Via Rail for their generous donations to our live auction. Special thanks to Auctioneer Mr. Gordon Cressy, whose skill and expertise added much flavour to this year's event. Thank you also to the many businesses, individual donors, event supporters, ticket sellers, volunteers, and the legal community, who generously donated to or supported our 13th Annual Tribute. We thank the owners of the C Lounge for their generous donation and for a wonderful venue. And thank you to everyone who came out to the event, making it such a success.

The Clinic would like to thank all those volunteers who made our fundraising efforts so successful. We look forward to your partnership again next year.

The Tribute Committee members would like to acknowledge the gift in kind donation of **Hamman Spa** (602 King St. West). Thank you very much.

### Leave a Legacy of Caring

You may decide that you would like to include a gift to the Barbra Schlifer Clinic when preparing your Will or during your Estate Planning. These gifts are so important because they will help us to continue our work providing services for women victims of violence in the future and for the next generation. Consider one of the following ways of making a planned gift:

- A Bequest through a Will
- Assignment of Life Insurance
- Establish a Charitable Trust
- Gift Annuities
- Assignment of Securities

For more information, please contact Meldina Smith at: [fundraising@schliferclinic.com](mailto:fundraising@schliferclinic.com) or 416-323-9149 Ext. 237

### Thanking Our Funding Partners

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- Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration
- Ministry of Community and Social Services
- Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care
- Legal Aid Ontario
- City of Toronto
- United Way of Greater Toronto
- Toronto Community Foundation
- The Law Foundation of Ontario

### YOUR DONATIONS ARE APPRECIATED

Although the Clinic receives funding from our partners listed above, we also greatly rely on the generosity of individual donors. If you wish to make a contribution in support of our Counselling, Interpretation and/or Legal Services for women survivors of violence, please send a cheque to the address below. Your donation, large or small, is vital to the operation of the Clinic and is sincerely appreciated. Charitable income tax receipts will be provided.

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