



**2025 – Celebrating 95 years of Service to Girls and Women in
Canada's National Capital Region**

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Ninety-Five Years and Going Strong! Zonta Club of Ottawa, Canada

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The Zonta Club of Ottawa, Canada (ZCO CA) has been supporting girls and women in the National Capital Region and internationally for 95 years. We will be celebrating this milestone throughout 2025, beginning with a fundraising venture in partnership with the Ottawa Little Theatre (OLT) – a preview of their production of *The Shawshank Redemption*, on Sunday, February 23 at 2:00 p.m.

The proceeds will support our annual education awards program for high-school and post-secondary girls and women. During the past 40 years, ZCO CA has raised and awarded close to \$176,000 to girls and women seeking continuing education. Currently, we offer six different awards each spring, providing financial assistance for the pursuit of studies in several fields, including Business, Leadership and Theatre Arts. One now-famous recipient of our Theatre Arts Award was Sandra Oh. The program also provides financial assistance to a new immigrant woman who is a single mother, raising a family while working on her education at any level, and financial recognition to another awardee for outstanding commitment to public and humanitarian community service.

Chartered in 1930, we are part of the worldwide Zonta International organization currently boasting more than 25,000 members belonging to 1,093 clubs in 64 countries, all dedicated to improving the status of girls and women through service and advocacy. Joining our members all over the world, we at ZCO CA address issues including human trafficking, spousal abuse, elder abuse and most recently, climate justice. We also welcome immigrants to the community and provide support for local shelters and charities assisting women and girls.

We would greatly appreciate any opportunity you might offer us to promote our 95th Anniversary and the joint ZCO CA/OLT fundraiser. For more information, please contact Sharon Jackson at writenow@bell.net or 416.779.0083.

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