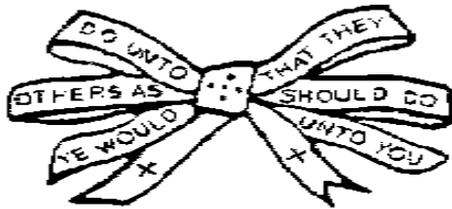


**Council of Women** at all levels is a non-governmental, non-partisan, non-sectarian, democratic advocacy organisation of individuals and groups. Council's Mission is to bring together like minded organizations and individuals; study emerging issues and to prepare resolutions aimed at improving the condition of the lives of women, families and communities. Councils provide a platform, through International, National, Provincial and Local Councils, for the social, legal, cultural, environmental



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and political concerns of member organizations and individual members. Councils serve as an avenue for access to all levels of government. We advocate solely on policy established democratically at Annual General Meetings. Within the Federation of Council of Women, each Federate retains its autonomy, yet strength lies in members working together. OCW is funded by annual membership fees. The Bow has been the symbol of all levels of Council of Women since its inception.

## Ottawa Council of Women Monthly Meetings

**Location:** Overbrook Community Centre  
**Address:** 33 Quill Street at Queen Mary Program followed by a business meeting. Refreshments available  
Meetings are Open to Public.

**September 26, 2017 - 7 p.m.**  
**"How to put Truth and Reconciliation Into Practice"**

Learning about what reconciliation means and developing an awareness to build stronger relationships in our communities, especially with Indigenous women. What does it mean to be a true ally?

**October 17, 2017 7 p.m.**  
**"Caregiving: The Burden on Canadian Women"**

Caregiving roles are predominantly held by women, and it is taking a tremendous toll. How can OCW provide support to women caregivers in our communities? How can we raise the political profile of this growing issue of inequity?

**November 21, 2017 7 p.m.**  
**"Women's Health in the Ottawa Region: Focusing on What Matters".**

What do we know about women's overall health in Champlain and how can we ensure a feminist lens on health policy decisions in our region?

**December 10, 2017 2:15-4:00 p.m.**  
**"Christmas Tea - Celebrating UN Human Rights Day" with Nathalie DesRosiers, MPP., Ottawa Vanier.**

Place: Governor's Walk Residence,  
150 Stanley Avenue

**January 16, 2018 12 noon to 1:30 p.m.**  
**Women's Economic Empowerment in Ontario: Is it Time for a Basic Income?"**

The Government of Ontario is currently piloting a guaranteed basic income program. Given that women's poverty is a critical issue in this province, how can we advocate for economic empowerment?

**February 20, 2018 12 noon to 1:30 p.m**  
**"Consumer Information on Funeral Industry in Ontario" – Beverlee MacIntosh**

**March 20, 2018 12:00 to 3 p.m**  
**OCW Resolutions**

**April 24, 2018 AGM Dinner Meeting**