

BARBRA · SCHLIFER
COMMEMORATIVE · CLINIC

a service for women who encounter violence

OBJECTIVES OF THE BARBRA SCHLIFER CLINIC

- to serve women in the Metro Toronto area who are subjected to violence or threats of violence, including common assault, wife assault, sexual assault, sexual abuse and sexual harassment.
- to offer an extensive range of services, including legal advocacy, emotional support, crisis counselling, ongoing therapy, public education programs, job counselling and a 24 — hour—a—day crisis telephone line.

THE BARBRA SCHLIFER CLINIC WILL WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY

The Clinic will not function in isolation, but will develop close liaison with organizations in the community, including legal and medical institutions, that offer complementary services.

An integral part of the Clinic's activities will be a comprehensive referral list of lawyers, doctors and therapists who share our aims and objectives.

Assistance to individual victims is only a partial solution to the problem. The Schlifer Clinic will also work toward essential law reform.

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN HURTS

THE BARBRA SCHLIFER COMMEMORATIVE CLINIC IS NEEDED BECAUSE:

Physical and psychological abuse of women is increasing at an alarming rate. Statistics for Canada speak for themselves — and for women!

- between 1968 and 1974, 37% of all murders were classified as "domestic"
- wife battering occurs in 1 of every 10 homes
- on average, a woman is raped every 17 minutes
- 1 in every 4 females suffers sexual abuse before the age of 14
- some 70% of women are sexually harassed at work.

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HOW WILL THE CLINIC BE STAFFED?

Initially, personnel will comprise one lawyer, one social worker/therapist, three community program workers and administrative staff.

Volunteers will be recruited, trained and integrated into various components of the Clinic's program.

HOW WILL THE CLINIC BE FUNDED?

Our goal is to raise \$250,000 from individuals, corporate donors, foundations and governments.

Donations are being accepted at all Metro Toronto branches of the ROYAL BANK, or may be sent directly to the Clinic.

According to the 1981 Toronto Census there are some 1,560,000 Torontonians over the age of 19 — 821,000 of them women. Imagine the impact on our fund-raising if each women donated only \$1.00! Imagine the impact if each individual over 19 years of age donated only \$1.00!

WHEN WILL THE BARBRA SCHLIFER
COMMEMORATIVE CLINIC OPEN?

OUR goal is to open the doors
of the Schlifer Clinic in the Fall
of 1984.

YOUR support will help us to
make the dream a living, thriving
reality.

TO VOLUNTEER YOUR SERVICES,
MAKE A FINANCIAL DONATION OR
FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE
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THE BARBRA SCHLIFER
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Barbra Schlifer was murdered on April 11, 1980, the night she was called to the bar. Instead of becoming a practicing lawyer, she became Metro's 11th homicide that year.

She died before she could start the clinic she dreamed of. She became a victim of violence before she could help other victims of it.

But her dream lives on.

Barbra's friends and colleagues are planning to open the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic in her memory.

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