

SHERIDAN

Wendy Joyce Scholarship in Community Studies

Friends, family and former colleagues of Wendy Merle Joyce have suggested that a fitting tribute to Wendy's long-time commitment to higher education would be a scholarship in her name. Given Wendy's personal interest and demonstrated commitment to build strong community colleges in Ontario and her volunteer service as a Sheridan Board Governor, we propose a scholarship fund for undergraduate students in the School of Community Studies at Sheridan College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning.

Background on Sheridan and the Ontario Colleges

Wendy has been an extraordinary contributor to the Ontario college system. She was a primary contributor to "Portals and Pathways", a comprehensive review of the colleges and universities in Ontario for the Investing in Students Task Force in 2001. Since that time, she worked closely and tirelessly with the Association of Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology to assist all colleges in the evolution and implementation of their new Charter legislation. Wendy helped author "Transforming Sheridan" in October 2001, their successful submission to become an institute of technology and advanced learning. She then devoted herself to Sheridan as a Board Governor during the last three years. Wendy always focused on the needs and interests of students and had a deep appreciation of the importance of supporting higher education.

Fundraising Goal

To maximize government matching opportunities through the Ontario Student Opportunity Fund (OSOTF), the Wendy Joyce Undergraduate Scholarship endowment fund requires contributions totalling more than \$12,500. At this funding level, Sheridan can seek to qualify this award on a 1:1 matched basis through the OSOTF program in a named bursary which will be awarded to any student in the School of Community Studies who meets the financial need criteria determined by Sheridan's policies. A \$12,500 donation will be matched to create \$25,000. The funds will be kept in a permanent endowment with the interest creating an annual bursary of approximately \$500 at today's interest rates. To date, \$9000 has been raised – we are not far from our goal!

How You Can Help

Donor contributions at all levels are most welcome and will contribute collectively to the establishment of the Wendy Joyce Scholarship endowment fund. Completed pledge forms including cheques or credit card numbers should be returned to: Sharon Aitken, Director, Development & Partnerships, Sheridan College Institute of Technology and Advanced Learning, 1430 Trafalgar Road, Oakville, Ontario L6H 2L1. **All donors will be recognized by Sheridan and will receive a charitable tax receipt for their donation.**