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About Victims & Survivors of Crime Week



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"The "Power of Collaboration" is the theme of Victims and Survivors of Crime Week, taking place across Canada.

Victims and Survivors of Crime Week is held to raise awareness about issues facing victims and survivors of crime and the services, programs, and laws in place to help them and their families.

EAPO is proud to be hosting events to commemorate the week in our virtual community.

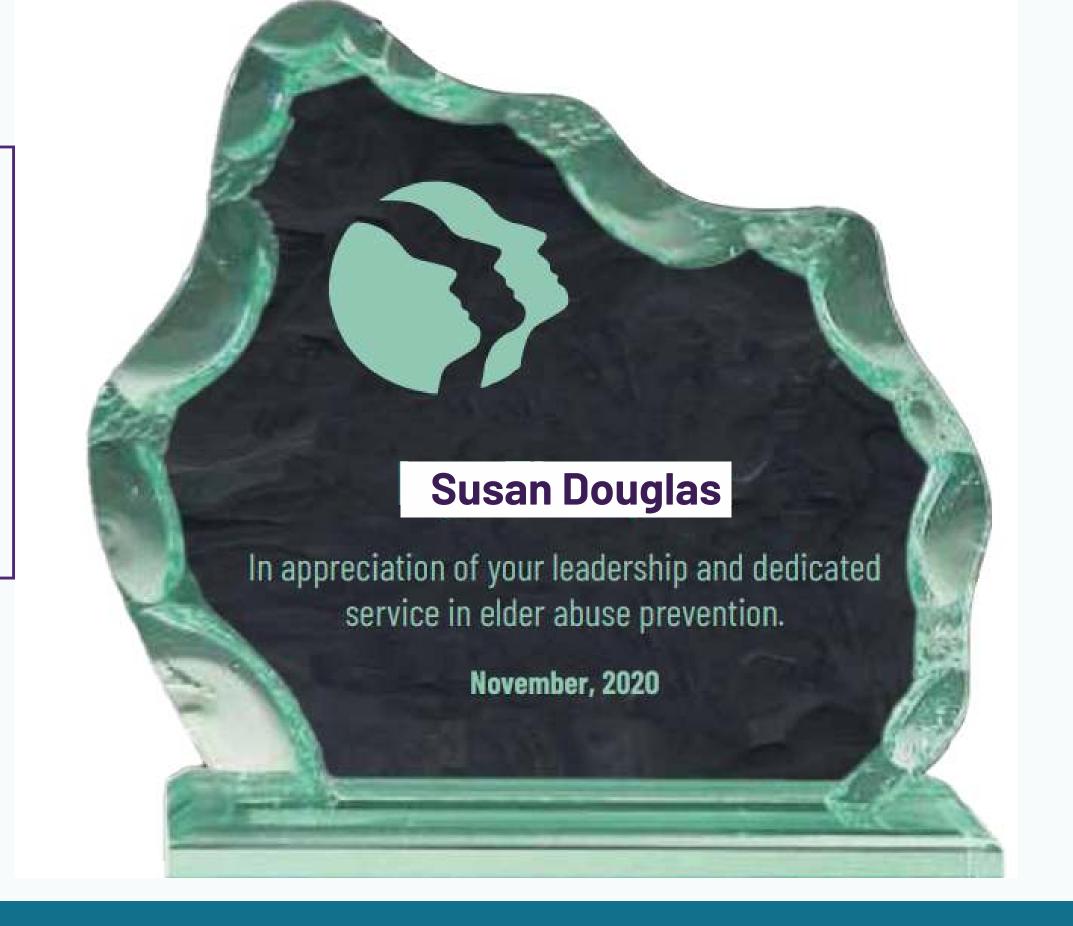


Recognition Awards for Leadership in Elder Abuse Prevention



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VOLUNTER RECOGNITION AWARD





Certificate of appreciation

Susan Douglas

In recognition of your contribution to victims and survivors of crime in Canada

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SUSAN STEELS



Susan has been a long standing member of the Prevention of Elder Abuse Committee of York Region known as PEACYR. As a member of PEACYR'S Executive Committee, Susan sits on the Education and Hello Beautiful Fundraising Sub Committees. Although recently retired as Clinical Leader for Southlake's Geriatric Outreach Team,

Susan continues with her committment, passion and dedication to PEACYR. Her clinical knowledge and expertise is invaluable. She is a great sounding board and always ready to listen with empathy, compassion and open mindedness. This past year Susan and her family lived a journey that led them to be the voice for many seniors and make a change for future families.

Thank you Susan for the wonderful work you have done not only with PEACYR, but in your professional career and personally as well. Looking at the future you can feel proud that you have helped make a difference! Susan is also the Co Chair for the LTC SubCommitee for the Ontario Association of Social Workers (OASW). Keep up the great work Susan!

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TAMMY BRYDON



Tammy is the Elder Abuse Prevention Coordinator at Community Care City of Kawartha Lakes and participates, as part of her role, on the Haliburton Kawartha Lakes Elder Abuse Prevention Network (HKLEAPN).

In the past Tammy has also served on the Network as a member of the committee when she was the Community Services Safety Officer when she was with the Kawartha Lakes Police Service.

As the Elder Abuse Prevention Coordinator Tammy provides frontline support to seniors who are being taken advantage of or abused. She is a tireless advocate for the seniors in our community. Tammy has intervened in situations to ensure the safety of a senior as well as safeguarding their funds. Tammy also provides education regarding elder abuse to community groups and stakeholders.

"It is my honour to nominate Tammy for this award as she does everything in her power to ensure that seniors are not victimized."



JENNIFER MCDONALD



Jennifer has been part of DEAN for well over 10 years, during this time she has been a active participant in all the network activities. Most recently she took on the role as co-chair. Jennifer provides the training to her staff students and volunteers on elder abuse signs and indicators, training that she takes very serious and insists on for each and every person that they take on at Oshawa Seniors Citizen centers.

In her role as Adult Day Program Supervisor she is constantly going above and beyond for her clients and families, most recently she brought forward 2 incidents where caregivers and their loved ones experienced poor care at a local hospital. This is far beyond the duties of a program supervisor to follow up with but she has done so, by calling hospital staff, patient relations and bringing it to DEAN to start a more solid advocacy to support them in the future.

"She is passionate about her seniors and our Network!!!"



JOANNE CHRISTIAN



Joanne has been a member of the elder abuse network since 2000 and has been a member of the executive for the past 10 years. Joanne started as a senior representing the community. Over the years she has been involved with assisting to write multiple applications both federally and provincially for grants to fund elder abuse education events for the London Middlesex region. Joanne was instrumental receiving funding to create a local web-site. She also was part of a working group who wrote a protocol document that local businesses and agencies could use as a guide to create elder abuse protocols at their workplace. Joanne has been directly involved with organizing elder abuse education events over the years and also events on World Elder Abuse Awareness Days.

She was also involved with the INR training in this region organizing training events to assist our network to expand the number of individuals who could teach INR presentations. When we had a Southwest Ontario Elder Abuse Network, bringing many of the elder abuse networks in the southwest region together, Joanne was an active member. With her ongoing dedication to the network, Joanne was the recipient of the Brian Young Award in 2013. Joanne has been a significant support to part time coordinators when funding has enabled the network to hire someone to assist with specific projects.

"Joanne's dedication and hours volunteered to the network has been a significant factor for the network to continue to function and respond to the needs in the community."



JANE ROWAN



Jane Rowan has been a member of the North York Elder Abuse Network for the last year and has shown her dedication, work ethic, participation in attending the network meetings monthly and collaborating and working alongside many of the North York agencies. Jane is an inspiration, not afraid to role up her sleeves and provide input where necessary. She is not afraid to share her thoughts on what needs to be done in our communities with respect to Elder Abuse Prevention.

Jane contributes to the conversations, provides input, participates in the working group in organizing events both on-line and in the community through the North York Elder Abuse Network. She contributed and presented at one of our Elder Abuse online forums presenting one of her stories and her art work and pictures about persons and community. She is also assisting on ideas for our next Elder Abuse Network forum either online or in person for 2022. The NYEAN Network is very fortunate to have Jane work with us on this very important issue.

Who is Jane Rowan?

Jane is an advocate, connector to persons, an artist, writer and a person with interests, hobbies and volunteers in many areas to see change for the better of older persons in our communities."



SUSAN DOUGLAS



During her 12 years, she has held many roles and participated in countless Network projects and activities. She has presented at various forums and seniors groups. She has been involved in PSAN-SC initiatives, including WEAAD activities, grant applications, senior safety kits, etc.

Since September 2017, Susan has been on the PSAN-SC Executive as Treasurer. She has looked after the funds PSAN-SC has received from grant approvals. She has purchase all of the resources necessary and stores them in her home. {PSAN-SC has no office.)

In 2018/9, PSAN-SC applied for and received a Seniors Community Grant to replace a defective website. Susan took the lead on this project from start to finish, including managing a very difficult consultant. It was a tremendous amount of work.

It was Susan's idea to create a roadshow in 2019/20 to promote education and awareness of senior abuse and its prevention to seniors and community members in rural areas of Simcoe County. She assisted with our successful grant application. The roadshow was very well received, Susan was there for each of them.

PSAN-SC received a grant 2020/21 to prepare 1000 Senior Safety Kits for seniors by First Responders during wellness checks or other police/fire activities. Susan purchased the bags, gathered all of the other resources and put all of the Kits together for both grants.



MYRNA ADAMS



A retired Community Outreach and Social Service Worker and College Instructor. She has been a resident of Brampton for the last 40 years and is an active member of the community volunteering for the past 26 years with more than 35 organizations. In 2008, Myrna became a member of the Brampton Senior Citizens Council. She worked her way up through the ranks to Director, Vice President and now President of which she has been for the last 2 years. Myrna has been active member of PEAPN since 2014.

Myrna is an active member of many organizations such as Costi a program designed to work with new comer youth an intergenerational program, CARP, the age friendly committee, diabetic advisory committee and she founded Brampton Young of Heart Seniors program in 2005. Over the years Myrna has also counselled seniors/women who experienced abuse. The focus was to teach them how to help themselves.

As a PEAPN member Myrna has worked on the collective impact with the goal to make people more aware of Elder Abuse. In her drive and determination to advocate for seniors, Myrna has connected with many MP's like Sonia Sidhu and others trying to help them understand the severity of Elder Abuse and for them to promote awareness.

In 2018 Myrna was recognized in The House of Common for all of her advocacy work for Seniors. In 2017, Myrna was honored as Ontario's Senior of the year and in the following year 2018 recognized in the House of Commons during Women's History Month as an activist having an impact in shaping Canadian society.

Presently she is working on opening a Museum of African History and Culture in Brampton. Bringing people together to work in harmony celebrating the many differences and commonalities with the understanding that people have a desire for the same things: acceptance, well-being, security, esteem, equity and equality Myrna continues to look for innovative ways to improve the quality of life of all Brampton Residents

"She is a strong believer and advocate of fairness and equality for all especially seniors."

We're in This Together



Working collaboratively with all community partners is key to successful interventions, providing support for seniors, families, caregivers and advocating for change.



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