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Women's March on Toronto 2018 – Defining Our Future

To: Presidents and All Members
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For Information

“One year ago, on the first full day of Donald Trump’s presidency, women and men and gender non-conforming people, young and old, of diverse faiths, differently abled, immigrants and indigenous – came together, 5 million strong, on all seven continents of the world” to march on Washington to protest the loss of women’s rights and freedoms proposed by President Trump. The premise for this march and all of the other ‘sister marches’ occurring around the world was a belief in a world that is equitable, tolerant, just and safe for all.

The 2017 Women’s March on Toronto was highly successful, with over 100,000 people attending. On Saturday, January 20, 2018, to coincide with the Women’s March on Washington 2018, OSSTF/FEESO members will march again in Toronto – as well as in many other communities across the province, including Hamilton and Ottawa. OSSTF/FEESO is encouraging all members to attend their local marches and celebrate the sisterhood in ‘Defining Our Future’ together. On January 20, 2018, events are being planned to mark this anniversary, to show solidarity for women and to push for the advancement of women’s rights and human rights in Canada and globally.

Marches are being planned by two networks which grew out of the incredible grassroots efforts of last year’s marches: Women’s March Canada, and March on Canada. A [list of marches and events](#) is available on the Canadian Labour Congress website. We encourage you to get in touch with organizers in your community and to share the information with your members.

For information on Women’s March Canada or about other ‘Sister Marches’ occurring across Ontario, you can visit [@WomensMarchCDA](#) on Twitter, [Women’s March Canada](#) on Facebook, [The Women’s March Canada website](#) or Tracey Marshall, via email at tracey.marshall@osstf.ca or at Provincial Office.

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