



CFUW Southport

Presentation to the Council of the Town of Saugeen Shores

June 9th, 2025.



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CFUW

- **A non-partisan, voluntary, self-funded national organization founded in 1919**
- **90 clubs**
- **6,700 members**



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CFUW SOUTHPORT

- **Founded in 1989**
- **35 years in Saugeen Shores**
- **113 members as of 2025**
- **Open to all women and individuals who identify as women**
- **A university degree is NOT required**



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CFUW SOUTHPORT

**Working to improve the status of women
and to promote human rights,
public education,
social justice, and peace.**



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CFUW SOUTHPORT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- Established in 1990
- Over \$90,000.00 in scholarships provided to date



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CFUW SOUTHPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

Six High School Scholarships for Girls - \$1,000.00:

- Graduating from St. Mary's (Owen Sound) or Saugeen District Senior School (Port Elgin)
- Living in Saugeen Shores and/or Saugeen First Nation #29 (or Bruce County for the Carolyn Day Scholarship)



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CFUW SOUTHPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

Six High School Scholarships:

- Two scholarships for Indigenous Students
- The Liz Squires Scholarship specifically for a graduate pursuing a career working with children and youth
- The Carolyn Day Scholarship specifically for a graduate who has been or is in the care of Bruce Grey Child and Family Service (who lives in Bruce County)
- Two additional High School Scholarships



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CFUW SOUTHPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

Mature Woman Scholarship:

- Candidate must have been out of high school for a minimum of one full year
- Candidate is pursuing a post-secondary education through a university, college or trades/apprenticeship program



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New for 2025

WOMEN IN TRADES SCHOLARSHIP:

- **Only 8.1% (7.4% nationally) of 144 skilled trades recognized in Ontario are currently filled by women**

([Statistics Canada](#), [Skilled Trades Ontario](#)).



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WOMEN IN TRADES SCHOLARSHIP

“Women make up nearly half of the entire Canadian workforce, but the perception still exists that certain jobs - particularly those in the skilled trades - should only be done by men. In reality, women excel in all traditionally male-dominated careers, including those in construction, manufacturing, automotive, mining, welding and more.”

(Ontario Colleges)



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WOMEN IN SKILLED TRADES SCHOLARSHIP

Mature Woman Scholarship: A WIN-WIN for Saugeen Shores:

- Importance of attracting skilled trades workers, given high rate of growth, needs for housing and needed to expand our green energy industry
- Women who work in the skilled trades are able to provide for their families and contribute to our local economy.



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PARTNERS IN THE WOMEN IN SKILLED TRADES SCHOLARSHIP

- Local contractors need skilled tradespeople and say women are often better at some skilled trades, such as welding
- They're ready to invest in our local scholarship program



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The following local contractors have contributed to the CFUW Southport Women in Trades Scholarship

- Ryan Walker, Walker Homes
- Lynne James Interiors By Design
- Elsian Melsi Hoxha, Shorebound Contracting

THANK YOU



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CFUW SOUTHPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

We look forward to announcing the first recipients of the CFUW Women in Trades Scholarship on September 10th .

Thank you, Mr. Mayor and Members of Council



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