



**Sisters
in Solidarity**

THE CUPE ONTARIO SISTERS IN SOLIDARITY AWARD

Closing date for nominations is April 21st

Do you know a sister or sisters who have done outstanding work on women's issues in the Union?

CUPE Ontario's Women's Committee wants to hear from you for their Sisters in Solidarity Award.

The award shall be presented at CUPE Ontario's Annual Conventions.

The Committee seeks a sister, group of sisters or a women's committee within a Local or District Council which:

- demonstrated through actions a deep commitment to women's issues, equity, and social justice.
- worked to break barriers and increase women's participation within CUPE.
- worked to strengthen and support CUPE sisters in the Union, the workplace, or in the community.
- helped CUPE demonstrate leadership in women's issues and women's participation in CUPE and the labour movement .



To make a nomination, please complete this form and send to:

CUPE Ontario Sisters in Solidarity Award
CUPE Ontario Division
80 Commerce Valley Dr. E., Suite 1
Markham, Ontario L3T 0B2
Fax: (905)739-9740 / E-mail: sjeffrey@cupe.on.ca

Please note that CUPE staff and members of CUPE Ontario's Women's Committee *who sit on the Award Selection Committee* are not eligible for the award.

The Committee will also accept self-nominations.

Award

The Sisters in Solidarity Award will take two (2) forms:

- a plaque to be mounted in the CUPE Ontario office which will list the names of each year's award recipient. The plaque will feature the Sisters in Solidarity graphic, and
- a gift to be presented to the recipient, preferably at the CUPE Ontario Convention as determined by the Nomination Committee. The gift should be prepared by a woman artist who is either from the recipient's area or from the area where the Convention is taking place.

The Nomination Committee will make appropriate arrangements for the gift to be presented at the CUPE Ontario Convention and CUPE Ontario will make appropriate arrangements for the plaque to be produced and maintained in a public area of the CUPE Ontario office. There is no monetary gift to be presented to the recipient and the gift shall not exceed a total cost of \$200.00.

Nomination Form

In case there are questions about your nomination, please include your contact information below.

NOTE: The Committee will accept self-nominations.

Nominator's Name and Local # _____

Work Phone: _____ Home or Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

I / we nominate _____ (nominee's name) from

Local _____ for the Sisters in Solidarity Award.

If you are nominating a group, please include the name of the group and list the women in the group and at least one woman as the main contact for the group.

Nomination Form - cont'd

Is the nominee an equality seeker from any of the following constituencies including:
(circle all that apply)

Racialised

First Nations/Aboriginal

Woman with a Disability

Transgender

Lesbian/Bi-sexual/Queer

Young worker (under 30yrs)

Information

To help the Nomination Committee make their decision, complete the following section.

1. List the nominee's actions which demonstrate a deep commitment to: women's issues and /or equity and social justice.

2. Describe what the nominee has done to: break barriers for women within CUPE and / or, increase women's participation within CUPE.

3. List things that the nominee has done to strengthen and support CUPE sisters, in the Union and / or in the workforce and / or in society.

4. Name ways that the nominee has helped CUPE demonstrate leadership in: women's issues and / or women's participation within CUPE and / or women's participation within the labour movement.

5. Please explain why you feel that the nominee should be selected recipient above all other nominees.

All nominees will be kept private and confidential and only the selected recipient will be notified, along with the nominator; otherwise the Nominations Committee will not provide a formal written response to this application.

The Committee will not carry forward any applications from year to year.