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Dear Friends of CHES:

I am writing to ask for your support in ensuring that future generations remember the Holocaust.

Given the current insidious rise of antisemitism, intolerance, and Holocaust distortion or minimization, it is ever more important to capture the voices of the survivors and preserve the memories of those who are no longer with us.

To counter these dangers, local Holocaust Education programs are essential. Mandated to "develop educational programs that promote knowledge and understanding of the history and legacy of the Holocaust," CHES provides a wide array of year-round programs and activities designed to combat prejudice and antisemitism while promoting respect for diversity, social justice, and human rights for all.

One of our most important endeavours is the annual Holocaust Education Month with acclaimed speakers and thought-provoking programs. We also offer lectures and workshops for teachers and visits to schools by survivors. We are the lead organization behind Ottawa's International Holocaust Remembrance Day event every January 27th.

As many of you know, we recently became an independent charitable organization. For our work to continue to evolve, we need the financial support of the community we serve. Your contribution will help us meet the growing demand for our programs.

Antisemitism is rarely an isolated form of hatred and often paves the way for the escalation of bigotry and prejudice against other groups. We urge you to make a difference and support us in the fight against antisemitism and in keeping Holocaust memory alive.

Your tax-deductible gift will contribute to ensuring the continuation of CHES' dedication to Holocaust education and remembrance and will help to sustain our mission which you have generously supported in the past and, we hope, will continue to support in the future.

To offer your donation of \$36, \$72, \$180, \$360 or any other amount, please click on the Donate button below.



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