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## Ontario Trillium Foundation Empowers Community Family Services of Ontario with \$199,300 Grant to Build Resilient Communities

July 18, 2023 (Scarborough, ON) - Community Family Services of Ontario (CFSO) is pleased to announce a grant of \$199,300 from the Ontario Trillium Foundation's Resilient Communities Fund. This grant plays a crucial role in building capacity and ensuring long-term sustainability.

The Resilient Communities Fund, an initiative by the Ontario Trillium Foundation, provides vital support to community-based organizations across Ontario as they navigate the challenges brought forth by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"CFSO is deeply grateful for this funding, which will enable us to expand staff capacity to provide employment and mental health support for East Asian survivors of gender-based violence," said Dr. Anna Victoria Wong, Executive Director of CFSO. "We will continue to develop strategies to address challenges and build a sustainable future for the East Asian communities in the GTA."

Through this grant, CFSO aims to contribute to the broader goals of the Resilient Communities Fund by building community resilience, fostering inclusivity, and addressing the socio-economic impacts of the pandemic. These efforts include its commitment to uplifting the voices of marginalized communities and creating a safer, more equitable society for all.

## **About CFSO**

Incorporated in 1988, Community Family Services of Ontario (CFSO) is a non-profit, charitable, accredited, professional family service and newcomer settlement agency with a focus on East-Asian Ontarians. Funded by the federal, provincial, and municipal governments, United Way GTA, and the community, CFSO has a goal to improve the overall psychosocial well-being of East-Asian Ontarians and to empower them to contribute to a safe community with harmonious families. CFSO's team of psychotherapists, social workers, gambling counsellors, family therapists, speech-language pathologist, and settlement workers provide psychotherapy, addictions, counselling, settlement, disabilities and special needs services to over 5,000 individuals per year.

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