Petition to better fund feminist women's organizations

We, the undersigned residents of Canada, draw the attention of the Government of Canada to the following:

- **THAT** feminist women's organizations have been struggling for decades to keep the lights on and doors open due to a lack of federal core operations funding;
- **THAT** feminist women's organizations are the most underfunded in Canada's non-profit sector, yet they are the single most effective means to building better lives for women;
- **THAT** feminist women's organizations need reliable, long-term, stable operational funding and direct investment to help women;
- **THAT** the Government of Canada's program funding is insecure, competitive, and takes workers' time away from helping more women;
- **THAT** direct federal funding to women's organizations represents less than 0.01% of total federal program spending; only about $1 for every woman in Canada;
- **THAT** the Government of Canada needs to dedicate the political and financial support, resources and funding to meet Canada's long-standing international and constitutional commitments on women's equality;

THEREFORE, we call on the Government of Canada to immediately provide secure, multi-year core operational funding to feminist women's organizations and set national standards to ensure equality of access to services and protection for all women.

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