

April 13, 2011

Chief Vern White
Ottawa Police Service
474 Elgin St.
Ottawa, Ontario, K2P 2J6

Re: Ottawa Police Service's Annual Report 2010: A Year in Review

Dear Chief White,

On behalf of the Advocacy and Public Engagement Standing Committees of OCTEVAW, I would like to thank you for your inclusion of sexual violence in your Ottawa Police Service's Annual Report 2010: A Year in Review.

The section entitled "Combating Sexual Violence in Ottawa" provided some concrete myth-breaking components, incorporated a gendered analysis of sexual violence and highlighted collaboration that takes place in Ottawa between police services and community-based agencies. This proved to be a great opportunity to educate and sensitize the public about the extent of this problem. We should all be proud of the collaboration that has produced effective and measurable results for women and children in our community.

As violence against women represents the highest crime against persons in our city, we do anticipate that it continues to be included as an ongoing annual item in your annual reports. We offer our assistance and expertise again for the coming years.

We look forward to continuing our work together to end the abuse of women and their children.

Sincerely,

Erin Williams
Executive Director
OCTEVAW

CC: Hamid Mousa, Community Developer
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