

# Annual Giving



Turner Syndrome  
Society of Canada

## The Chrysalis Campaign ~ Annual Giving 2017

A Turner Syndrome diagnosis can be an emotional experience. Whether TS is identified during prenatal care, early childhood, adolescence, or adulthood, women and families are often overcome with the need to learn all they can about the condition. By supporting the Turner Syndrome Society's (TSSC) Annual Giving Campaign, you help the many girls, women, and families in the Turner syndrome community. The TS journey has its ups and downs and . . . We're here for you.

We're here connecting people to one another. TSSC offers events in communities across the country to encourage everyone to learn from each other's personal experiences. Sometimes, it just takes meeting one other person with TS to realize we are not alone.

Since its formation in 1981, TSSC has been the host to 36 annual national conferences, published the booklet X and O's, produced and reprinted Across the Lifespan, has grown to 6 Chapters and 4 groups across Canada.

Redesigned the national website, developed successful national fundraising platforms; Coins for Camp and national TS Awareness Walks in 5 major cities.

100 plus active volunteers • A quarterly newsletter distribution of 600 people • 50 Twitter followers • 1000+ Facebook "likes" • Overall, 2,500 contacts with a variety of progressing relationships to the organization;



### What it's like living with Turner Syndrome:

My name is Sarah and I am a woman living with Turner Syndrome. My parents informed me of my diagnosis at a young age, after it was discovered that I had TS shortly after I was born. The Society helped them back then, with coming to terms with my diagnosis and easing their

mind with knowledge of what to expect in the following years. Even though I wasn't totally able to understand what Turner Syndrome meant at first, I was glad my parents and I had that support system

I have been very fortunate, for the most part, to lead a healthy, happy life - and a lot of that has to do with the Turner Syndrome Society. I remember as a young girl, attending events and instantly making new friends, and still do to this day! The annual Conference, for one, is a great way to check in with what's new in care for TS and to meet others dealing with a lot of the same issues.

Let's face it, these can be BIG issues. A lot of us face some pretty scary stuff and symptoms of this condition can be tough to handle, mentally and physically. It's important to have someone else who really knows what you are going through to talk to.

I am not sure I ever would have had the opportunity to meet someone else with Turner Syndrome, if not for the Society, and for that I am forever grateful. We are all connected by this piece of our lives, and it's a bond that we truly can't find anywhere else.

Sarah Oostrom  
President TS Toronto Chapter  
President-elect Turner Syndrome Society of Canada



Hi my name is Rebecca and my daughter has Turner Syndrome.

If you haven't heard of it before don't worry, neither had I. I was 14 weeks pregnant, glowing with the baby growing inside of me when the ultrasound showed an abnormality.

A few stress-filled weeks later and we had our diagnosis, the baby has Turner Syndrome. Now begun our research; our baby was not expected to survive to birth, and if she did we would be faced with any number of issues and a life threatening heart condition. If anything, Turners girls are fighters, and I am blessed to have my girl with me today. After all the stress and sleepless nights, I would never have gotten through if it weren't for the information, support and connections that the Turner Syndrome Society has given us. Thanks to them I have made lifelong friends who are experiencing the same thing, and have daughters who my girl will grow and learn with.

### Make a donation

\$25    \$50    \$75    \$100    Other \_\_\_\_\_

It's truly an exciting time to be a part of TSSC. You, our donors, are making it happen. You are building the future for all those touched by Turner syndrome. You are changing lives. Because of you, we are here.

**Yes**, I would like to commit to one of the following campaigns;

Please indicate which campaign(s) you would like to donate to:

Turner syndrome research      Donation Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
 TS Coins for Camp              Donation Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
 Youth and Adult programs      Donation Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
 TS Roadmap                          Donation Amount \_\_\_\_\_

### Be a monthly giver

\$15    \$20    \$25    \$40    Other \_\_\_\_\_

An environmentally friendly option and supports TSSC all year long. You will receive a charitable tax receipt at the end of the year.

### Be a member or renew a membership

\$15    \$30    \$40    \$50    Other \_\_\_\_\_

Join a community of people that care about TSSC. You will receive our quarterly e-newsletter, discount to our annual membership, membership package for all new members and a charitable tax receipt at the end of the year.

### Payment options

Link to: [Online Credit Card Payment on Turner Syndrome Membership page](#)

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VISA     Master card     Cheque (*Payable to Turner Syndrome Society of Canada*)

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Please support our work with a generous donation today.

Kind regards,

*Wendy Gee*

Executive Director

Turner Syndrome Society of Canada