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Celebrating the Spirit of Barbra Schlifer and the upcoming review of Canada's human rights record in Geneva!

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Executive Director wins Spirit of Barbra Schlifer Award

CWP is proud to announce that our Executive Director, Leilani Farha, is the recipient of the first-ever **Spirit of Barbra Schlifer Award** for her work on women's rights and the right to adequate housing.

Leilani is an international human rights lawyer, is one of Canada's leading experts on, and advocates for, women's social and economic rights. She has worked tirelessly in her career to tackle the systemic barriers and injustices that put women at risk of violence. "Literally thousands of women have Leilani to thank for having avoided both violence and homelessness," says Rita Morbia, Executive Director of [Inter Pares](#).



This award acknowledges the essential role of advocacy in addressing inequality and disadvantage.

Please [visit our website](#) to see the full press release from the [Schlifer Clinic](#).

Congratulations Leilani!

Canada's Human Rights Record Under Review

On April 26th, all eyes will be on the United Nations Human Rights Council when they review Canada's human rights performance as part of the [Universal Periodic Review \(UPR\)](#) taking place in Geneva. Canada, having ratified a number of UN treaties, including the [International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights](#), is obligated to respect and fulfill human rights, including the right to an adequate standard of living including adequate food and housing.

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Canada Without Poverty was one of a handful of civil society organizations that presented to members of the Human Rights Council on March 25th in Geneva.

Read the [full statement](#) on poverty, homelessness and hunger and see what recommendations CWP made to UN delegates.

A representative from CWP will be **live-tweeting the review of Canada from Geneva on April 26th**. Connect with us on [Twitter](#) to see which countries make recommendations to Canada on economic and social rights - [@CWP_CSP](#), and watch our [website](#) for updates.

The UN's review of Canada will be live webcasted on [UN TV](#). You can watch our government under review and make your own assessment.

Every person has the right to live in dignity.

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