

Ontario Highlights A Korean-Canadian Humanitarian

McGuinty Government Contributes To Dr. Schofield Memorial Gardens at Toronto Zoo

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Ontario will honour the memory of Dr. Frank William Schofield and his dedication to the people of Korea through the Dr. Schofield Statue and Memorial Gardens.

The province will provide \$400,000 toward the completion of this symbolic memorial in the heart of the Toronto Zoo.

Dr. Schofield was a prolific Ontarian, who was actively involved in Korea's March 1 Independence Movement in 1919. He served as a missionary in Korea from 1916 to 1920.

The new gardens will enhance the Toronto Zoo, already well known as a local tourist destination and contributor to Ontario's economy. Investments in tourism and culture are part of the [Open Ontario plan](#) to create a stronger and more competitive tourism industry.

QUOTES

"The Dr. Schofield Statue and Memorial Gardens will enhance the attractiveness of our Toronto Zoo. This will also be a lasting and peaceful testament to the friendship of the people of Canada and the people of Korea"

— Michael Chan, Minister of Tourism and Culture

"The Toronto Zoo has been a wonderful attraction for visitors to Scarborough and Toronto for many years. This project will make the experience even better"

— Bas Balkissoon, MPP, Scarborough--Rouge River

"Dr.Schofield was a great humanitarian, greatly respected scholar and researcher. He would be very proud of the Gardens established at the Toronto Zoo in his name"

— David Zimmer, MPP Willowdale

"The Dr.Schofield Memorial Statue and Gardens will provide a unique educational and cultural experience for children and all visitors to the Toronto Zoo."

— Donna Cansfield, MPP, Etobicoke Centre

QUICK FACTS

- Dr. Frank Schofield (1889-1970) is the only foreign national buried in the National Independent Hero cemetery in Korea.
- The memorial garden grounds will be professionally landscaped in a traditional Korean garden style.

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