Quarterly Update

Donor impact: Nearly 3 million girls empowered to say no to child marriage

Every minute, 23 girls under the age of 18 get married in the world. Over the year, 12 million girls are married too soon, jeopardizing their well-being and personal development. The Global Programme to End Child Marriage works in 12 countries, where it brings together governments, civil society, families and young people in a collective effort to prevent girls from marrying too young and support those already married.

In Zonta’s first year of support, the Global Programme achieved the following results:

- **Nearly 3 million** adolescent girls were empowered through life skills education and training, far exceeding the goal of 1.4 million.
- **77%** of girls enrolled in these programs transitioned from primary to lower secondary school, compared to just 59.8% who made the same transition in 2017.

To see more about the Global Programme’s impact, read the Ending Child Marriage 2018 Executive Summary and Annual Report.

Support our work

Congratulations to recipients of new Women in Technology Scholarship

Though the world is becoming increasingly digitized, women are still largely underrepresented in technology fields. Special for 2019, Zonta implemented the Women in Technology Scholarship to help women further their career goals in technology and technological developments.

Zonta’s Women in Technology Scholars represent 22 countries and fields including computer science, information technology, digital transformation technologies and more. Meet them here.
Congratulations to our newest Women in Business scholars

Women make up just 5.6% of S&P 500 companies’ CEOs and hold 21.2% of their board positions, according to Catalyst. In an effort to put more women in those decision-making roles, Zonta International has offered the Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship annually for more than 20 years.

The latest class of future female business leaders represents 16 countries and fields from accounting to business administration, economics and more. Meet them here.

Give now for the future

The Zonta International Foundation Endowment Fund will support future generations of women, their families and societies worldwide. Support the Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign and give now for the future.

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Thank you
The Foundation would like to recognize significant gifts received between October and December from the following clubs and districts:

**US$15,000 - US$19,999:**
- Zonta Club of Brownsville, USA, District 10
- Zonta Club of Kaohsiung Yuhsiuan, Republic of China (Taiwan), District 31

**US$10,000 - US$14,999:**
- District 17, Area 1
- District 17, Area 5
- Zonta Club of Dallas, USA, District 10
- Zonta Club of Roskilde Area, Denmark, District 13
- Zonta Club of Sundsvall, Sweden, District 21
- Zonta Club of Taipei II, Republic of China (Taiwan), District 31
- Zonta Club of Taipei III, Republic of China (Taiwan), District 31

**Dates to remember**

- **8 March:** International Women's Day and Zonta Rose Day
- **1 April:** Young Women in Public Affairs Award district/region deadline

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