Zonta International changes lives through education and service projects

Meet the 2017 Amelia Earhart Fellows

Zonta International is pleased to announce the 2017 Amelia Earhart Fellows. These 35 exceptional women pursuing Ph.D./doctoral degrees in aerospace-related sciences or aerospace-related engineering are from 18 countries and studying fields as diverse as electrical engineering, fluid dynamics and space technology. We are excited to welcome them into our community of AE Fellows and look forward to following their contributions to science.

Click here to view the list of the 2017 Amelia Earhart Fellowship recipients.

Addressing human trafficking and labor migration in Nepal

Zonta has committed US$1 million to UN Women from 2016 to 2018 to create sustainable foundations for addressing the nexus between human trafficking and foreign labor migration of women and girls in Nepal. The April 2017 update shares the progress that has been made.

Click here to read the project update.

Expanding access to education for girls in Madagascar

Zonta International has committed US$1 million to UNICEF USA during the 2016-2018 Biennium to address the barriers to girls’ education in Madagascar. Together, we are creating opportunities for girls to realize their rights to an education in a secure and protective environment. Click here to read the project update.

In May, Zonta International President Sonja Hönig Schough and Zonta International Foundation Development Committee Chairman Sally Bean visited the Let Us Learn project in Madagascar. They recently hosted a webinar in partnership with UNICEF USA to share more about the Let Us Learn program and their experiences in Madagascar. Click here to watch the webinar.

Eliminating obstetric fistula in Liberia
Since 2008, Zonta International has provided more than US$2.5 million to UNFPA to support the Liberia Fistula Project. Zonta International has committed an additional US$1 million to the Liberia Fistula Project from 2016 to 2018. The latest update shares progress made in 2016.

Click here to read the project update.

Zonta International's progress toward biennial goal

The amounts below represent the percentage each fund has received toward the 2016-2018 Biennial Goal.

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Recognizing remarkable gifts

The Foundation would like to recognize significant gifts received between March and June from the following clubs and districts (listed in order of contributions from largest to smallest):

Gifts of US$10,000 and above:
- Zonta Club of Coos Bay Area, USA, District 8
- Zonta Club of Egersund Og Omegn, Norway, District 13
- Zonta Club of Schwabisch Hall, Germany, District 30
- Zonta Club of Black Hills, USA, District 12
- Zonta Club of Fraenkindes Seenland, Germany, District 14
- District 20
- Zonta Club of Brownsville, USA, District 10
- Zonta Club of Glens Falls, USA, District 2
- Zonta Club of Midland, USA, District 15

Help Zonta win US$100,000 to end violence against women and girls

Zonta International Foundation has joined the Macy's Shop for a Cause Charity Challenge, a friendly fundraising campaign where charities across the U.S. compete to raise the most money with the top teams winning grand prize cash donations.

Through 9 August at 1:59:59 p.m. EDT, we are collecting...
donations through our Macy's Charity Challenge page for a chance to win US$100,000. All donations will go to the Zonta International Strategies to End Violence Against Women (ZISVAW) Fund to help end violence against women and girls, one of the most pervasive and least recognized human rights violations that affects women and girls of every race, class, culture, ethnicity, age and country.

Participating organizations are competing for up to US$300,000 in cash prizes with the top organization winning US$100,000 for their cause.

Some important notes about the Charity Challenge:

- You do not need to be a U.S. resident to make a donation
- All donations will be added to your total Zonta giving
- You are not required to shop at Macy's to make a donation
- If you donate at least US$5, you will receive a Macy's savings pass for up to 25 percent off during Macy's 12th Annual Shop For A Cause charity shopping event

Please join us as we compete to win US$100,000. Make a donation to Zonta International Foundation during the challenge and make a difference for women and girls.

The Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign: Securing Zonta's mission for the future

The Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign (CAEC) is one of the most significant steps we may ever take in Zonta. Giving NOW for the future will ensure we can do more to improve the lives of millions of women and girls, their families and their communities for the well-being of future generations.

Our gift is one of empowering humanity - in ways we can only imagine.

The Centennial Anniversary Endowment Campaign is an intensive fundraising effort focusing on Zonta's 100th birthday. Through this campaign, we want to fulfill the vision of our founders. The campaign is committed to growing Zonta's endowment fund by US$10 million by 2020. This campaign is totally separate from our biennial funding for the international service projects and educational programs approved at Convention.

More than 78 Zontians and non-Zontians have given and pledged more than US$1.3 million during the early, so-called "quiet phase." This year, we will announce the CAEC as part of the centennial celebration at every district conference.

Click here to learn more about the campaign.

Announcements

Set up your recurring gift today

Zonta International Foundation's monthly giving program is the easiest way to provide steady support for the ongoing work of Zonta International. By giving monthly, you can spread your gift out throughout the year and make an even bigger impact on the women and girls we serve.

Conveniently transfer funds directly from your checking or savings account to the Foundation via electronic funds transfer (EFT), or automatically charge your contributions to a credit card. The recurring gift option allows you to direct predetermined amounts to any of the Foundation funds on a monthly basis.

To enroll in the Direct Debit Recurring Gift option, complete the Direct Debit Form and attach a voided check from a checking account or a deposit slip from a savings account.
To enroll in the Credit Card** Recurring Gift Option, [sign up online](#).

Zonta International’s projects are only possible with the generous support of donors like you. Make a difference for women and girls today with a recurring monthly donation to the Zonta International Foundation.

*NOTE: This service is currently only available to banks in the U.S. and Canada. Please consult your bank for more information.

**NOTE: Visa or MasterCard Only

New forms for wire and stock transfers
In order to make it easier to transmit information regarding donations made via wire transfer and stock, we have created new online forms. These forms will require you to fill out necessary information regarding your donation and will allow you to upload any relevant supporting documentation. The forms should be available through [Foundation Tools](#) by the end of the month.

Important dates to remember

- **30 July**: International Day of Friendship and World Day Against Trafficking in Persons
- **9 August**: Macy’s Charity Challenge ends at 1:59:59 p.m. EDT
- **12 August**: International Youth Day
- **19 August**: World Humanitarian Day
- **8 September**: International Literacy Day
- **21 September**: International Day of Peace
- **11 October**: International Day of the Girl Child