Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women
#EndChildMarriage

Every day, Zonta members support women and girls around the world by saying NO to violence against women. This month, members will say it even louder during the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence Campaign, from 25 November to 10 December.

The 2018 Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women campaign will match Zonta International's efforts to help end child marriage which, this year alone, will affect more than 12 million* girls worldwide (girlsnotbrides.com). There are four ways you can take action:

- Take a short quiz and forward the link to create awareness about this appalling violation of human rights.
- Make a donation to our Ending Child Marriage project by taking on a charity challenge.
- Stay social.
- Share how you are saying "NO."

Look for an email on 24 November with further details on the four ways you can take action.

"The greatest number of child marriages has shifted from South Asia to what region?"

Do you know the answer? On 24 November, take three minutes to test your knowledge on global facts related to child marriage via a quiz. Engage your friends, colleagues and family members by sharing the quiz and encouraging them to learn more. The quiz will be available in seven languages.

Donate to end child marriage

Beginning 26 November, Zonta International Foundation will collect donations through a Charity Challenge on the CrowdRise platform. Join us as we compete to win the top prize of US$100,000.

All donations will fund ending violence against women, like Zonta's new major project to help end child marriage. They will be added to your total Zonta giving. The challenge ends 1:59:59 p.m. EST on 2 January 2019. Our goal is to raise the most money so that we can take our donation even further by winning the grand prize.

A link to the challenge page will go live 26 November.
Stay social

Each day, starting 24 November, Zonta International will release a new graphic via Facebook, Twitter and Instagram that highlights important facts that illustrate the need to end child marriage. When you like, comment and share these original posts, the message that Zonta says "NO" to violence against women and child marriage will be seen as highly engaged content and stay relevant on more social media feeds.

The media toolkit for Zonta Says NO is available online.

Share how you are saying "NO"

In 2018, the Zonta Says NO to Violence Against Women campaign will focus on child marriage, one of the worst obstacles girls are facing globally and a severe human right’s violation. Zonta clubs around the world are called upon to create awareness of this harmful practice among their members and the public.

Share Your Action

Panel at UN Vienna on human trafficking emphasizes need for collaboration

“Prevention and education are the best strategies to counteract trafficking.” This was pointed out by Daniel Fuhr, cyber crime expert and adviser to the Austrian EU presidency, at a side event organized by Zonta International during the Ninth Session of the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime on 19 October in Vienna.

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Join us for Zonta Talk - Retaining Members: What Works? on 1 December

Save the date for the next Zonta Talk!

Register now to save the date and share a question or comment to be discussed during the talk.

The second Zonta Talk will focus on membership and will be held 2:00 p.m. CST on 1 December. Each member is invited to participate, share their point of view or ask a question.

If you were not able to join us on 20 October for the Zonta Talk on Child Marriage, please watch and listen by visiting https://www.zonta.org/Media-News/Zonta-Talks.

We collected questions during registration and while on the Talk, and will be sharing answers to these questions on the above page in the very near future.

Spread the word: individual members can now join Zonta International

People at all stages of life who want to make a difference for women and girls worldwide, but who are not ready or able to commit to club membership, can now join our global community of volunteers and advocates for women’s empowerment and gender equality.

Learn more about Zonta individual and club memberships and find a link to the new Individual Membership Application Form.
New Women in Technology Scholarship

Eligibility requirements for the new Zonta International Women in Technology Scholarship have been published on the [Zonta International website](https://www.zonta.org).

The application and accompanying scholarship materials will be available in December; however, in the meantime, you can familiarize yourself with the eligibility requirements and ask questions, using the feedback form on the new [Women in Technology Scholarship web page](https://www.zonta.org).

Priority theme: social protection systems, access to public services and sustainable infrastructure for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls.

Review theme: Women’s empowerment and the link to sustainable development.

Zonta members are invited to attend the 63rd Session of the Commission on the Status of Women or learning more. If you are interested, please email programs@zonta.org.

Happy 99th Birthday, Zonta International!

Share the below video with your friends and family to join in our celebration!

Zontians in Action

Every month, we highlight service, advocacy and membership actions of Zonta clubs around the world. [Share Your Story](https://www.zonta.org) through our website and tag your social media posts with #ZontiansInAction.

Zonta Club of Dhaka III

The Zonta Club of Dhaka III, District 25, recognized International Day of the Girl Child by hosting an event focused on ending child marriage as part of their longstanding service project.
Zonta Club of Burbank Area, USA

The Zonta Club of Burbank Area, District 9, collected donations in October for their fourth annual Suit Up clothing drive. The drive supports single mothers living in poverty by providing them with work-appropriate clothing.

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Zonta Club of Indianapolis, USA

After meeting members of the Zonta Club of Indianapolis, District 6, 2017 Amelia Earhart Fellow Marie McBride decided to join Zonta! Read more about her membership below.

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To find out more about how our Zontians are empowering women within their own community, visit our Local Service and Advocacy page or follow us on social media with the hashtag #ZontiansInAction.

More in Zonta news:

- Photos from the 2018 Convention are available online
- Videos from the 2018 Convention are available on YouTube
- Girls Not Brides offers Theory of Change on Child Marriage
- Expand Your Leadership Skills with the Zonta Leadership Program

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