Support the Foundation at your district conference

A message from Dolly Dastoor, Ph.D., Zonta International Foundation Development Committee Chairman

We have received positive feedback from the district conferences and we appreciate all our Foundation Ambassadors who have worked so diligently to prepare for these events, to raise awareness of your district members to the problems facing women because of their gender, and reminding the members as to what Zonta is able to achieve in empowering women through our international and educational program with the donations they make. This is a great time to support the Zonta International Foundation and we thank you in advance for your donations at upcoming district conferences.

As of 31 August 2015, the Foundation has received US$2.6 million, which is 49.2 percent of the biennial goal. We appreciate your contributions and are grateful to your support in the last half of the 2014-2016 Biennium.
On 8 November 2015, Zonta International will celebrate its 96th birthday. We invite you to join the celebration and help change the lives of women around the world. As a Zontian, you have already made a personal commitment to build a better world for women. During November, the Zonta International Foundation is asking all Zontians to make an individual donation to the Foundation to help us meet our mission and fulfill our 2014-2016 Biennial Goals.

Take Action: Share why you donate to the Zonta International Foundation by emailing pr@zonta.org a short quote and professional photo and you can appear in this year’s Every Member Every November campaign. We look forward to hearing about what supporting the Foundation means to you.
The Zonta International Foundation PowerPoint has been updated and is now available in two different versions on the Foundation Tools webpage.

Take Action: Download the Zonta International Foundation PowerPoint.

Educating youth: Voices against Violence

The World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS), in partnership with UN Women and with the support of Zonta International, is working to prevent and reduce gender discrimination and violence against women and girls through non-formal education and youth leadership engagement with the Voices against Violence project.

The curriculum teaches young people, ages 5-25, to understand gender-based violence and its root causes, identify various forms of violence prevalent globally and in their communities, and explore solutions. The curriculum will be delivered by training 200 national trainers from as many as 30 countries at four regional workshops funded by Zonta International. These trainers will then return to their home countries and train at least 3,000 additional youth leaders and educators. The program is expected to reach an estimated 800,000 children and young people by the end of the project cycle in 2016.

We have recently added updates to our website on the Voices against Violence project, the first workshop in Pune, India, and the second workshop in Lusaka, Zambia.
Learn the latest on child marriage in Niger

In cooperation with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Zonta International began supporting the Niger Project in the 2014-2016 Biennium. This project is part of a five-year global initiative in which 25,000 girls will be reached over two years, with 400,000 members of their community benefiting from increased awareness.

Click here to read an update on the Niger Project.

Zonta International recently the Girls Not Brides partnership to end child marriage and help girls realize their full potential. Click here to explore their website and learn more about the partnership and Girls Not Brides’ efforts to end child marriage.

Recognizing remarkable club gifts CORRECTED

The Zonta Club of Coos Bay, USA, District 8, was inadvertently missed from our recognition of Zonta clubs in the last issue of the Foundation Update. We apologize for this omission. The Zonta Club of Coos Bay donated more than US$20,000 to the Zonta International Foundation. Thank you, members of the Zonta Club of Coos Bay, for your generous contributions to the Foundation this biennium.

Announcements

The Combined Federal Campaign is underway
The Combined Federal Campaign is happening now, so do not miss out. If you are a Federal civilian, postal or military employee in the United States, you can support the Zonta International Foundation via your local Combined Federal Campaign (CFC).

CFC is the world's largest annual workplace giving campaign with almost 200 campaigns throughout the USA and overseas, raising millions of dollars every year. Federal civilian, postal and military employees can support CFC-approved charities, including the Zonta International Foundation, via their local CFC campaign now through 15 December 2015.

**Zonta International Foundation's five-digit CFC code is 60825.**

For more information about the Combined Federal Campaign, please [click here](#).

**New Donor Buttons**
A new donor button is in production and will be available soon. These pins are for Foundation Ambassadors to personally recognize gifts of US$25 or more at District events.

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