

WGC UPDATE

First Quarter | 2018 | January-March

Girls Leadership

- The 2018 Girls Global Summit was a success: meeting at capacity and boasting 300 attendees. The topic teams represented 18 different schools and organizations and 12 community table topics ranged from girls in the outdoors, entrepreneurship, mindfulness, and civic engagement.
- WGC thanks all the participants in our joint effort with Roshnic Latif. The Roshnic Fashion Show held on March 4th met our goal for tickets sold, had 248 attendees, and raised \$11,000 in donations for WGC's women and girl empowerment programs.

Presentations

- Women's Global Connection participated in the Dreamweek event, Advancing Tolerance, at the SoL Center. Our friend Kiran Bains spoke as part of a panel on the inequities in San Antonio and how to improve civic access and engagement. She was also selected as our 2018 Globally Awesome Girl and was a keynote speaker at our Feb. 17 Girls Global Summit. Kiran is the first Chief Equity Officer for the City of San Antonio, where she leads a citywide strategy to advance equity in all functions of local government.

Alternative Giving

- Dollar amount for gifts given: \$ 3,460



Left: WGC Staff Nicole Foy and Lisa Uribe with Kiran Bains; City of San Antonio Chief Equity Officer, and Patricia Castillo; Director of P.E.A.C.E. Center, at the DreamWeek Event.

Right: WGC Director Lisa Uribe with Fashion Designer Roshnic Latif

Women's Economic Development

- Women's Global Connection is developing a pilot program for the use of water filters at the Peru preschool programs PRONEI, in Chimbote and Cambio Puente. Staff and partners are in the development phase: investigating the products and looking for partners.
- WGC is utilizing the CHRISTUS grant in Tanzania and Kenya to continue training of women trainers and guidance for the childcare center in Tanzania.

Immersion Trips

- Women's Global Connection's tentative travel dates: Peru (Lima and Chimbote) May 27 - June 11
Africa (Tanzania and Kenya) July 7 - 27
- WGC has begun assembling immersion trip teams for both trips. We congratulate UIW students Elena Valenzuela and Sarah Duffy on being awarded the Ettlign Hayes Immersion Trip Fund scholarship. Barb Kelly, community member, is the recipient for the Tanzania/Kenya trip. The Peru trip will be led by Denise Krohn and WGC Staff Claudia Garcia is helping guide planning, Alison Buck and Tamarra Mencey will lead travel with volunteers to Tanzania. UIW graduate student and WGC Intern Natalia Hernandez is a recipient of funds to complete her capstone work for BUWEA. The first orientation meeting was held on March 26 and 8 interested travelers attended.

Public Relations

- WGC participated in the University of the Incarnate Word's 11th Annual Research Week held during the month of February, sharing the progress and plans for our partner BUWEA's development of its child care center in Bukoba, Tanzania.
- We were announced as one of the 15 Semi-finalists by Philanthropitch San Antonio earlier this year at the Tobin Center for the Performing Arts.

Presentations Cont.

- WGC was honored to have been selected again to present during a parallel event at the Commission for the Status of Women (CSW) Conference in March in New York City. The CSW, headquartered at the United Nations, designated as its 2018 theme the challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and empowerment of rural women and girls. The San Antonio-based panel that presented consisted of Lisa Uribe; WGC executive director, Barbara Aranda-Naranjo; University of the Incarnate Word vice provost, Lea Rosenhauer; executive director of Girls Inc. and Sumeyra Tek of the Raindrop Foundation San Antonio. Each leader presented information about how their organization works to achieve sustainability through collaborative relationships.
- For Women's History Month, together with the women at Raindrop Turkish House, Women's Global Connection led a conversation promoting the learning and leadership capacity of girls locally and around the world. The gathering was held Friday March 23, at Raindrop Turkish House, 4337 Vance Jackson at 6pm.

Grant Update

- Frost and Saint Susie Grants have been submitted.
- Pierre Fund Grant in progress.

EMLF

- Active loans: 16
- Paid off this quarter: 3
- New loans: 3

WGC's Fiesta Medal

Celebrating San Antonio's Tricentennial, Women's Global Connection introduces our first Fiesta medal. This colorful "puro San Antonio" medal was designed by Joshua Owen, a University of the Incarnate Word alumnus. Funds raised will support WGC women and girl empowerment programs. One medal is a donation of \$10 or 3/\$25. They can be picked up at our offices at the Brackenridge Villa located at 4503 Broadway.



To purchase online visit:

www.womensglobalconnection.org/event/2018-wgc-fiesta-medals/

Questions? Contact us at (210) 828-2224, ext. 297.

Development

Welcoming a new Intern to WGC

WGC is eager to introduce our new Communications Intern, Alejandra Lopez Mendez, a sophomore in Graphic Design at the University of the Incarnate Word. We look forward to working with Alejandra throughout the spring in marketing, development, media and design! You have seen some of Ale's work promoting the fashion show and Big Give.



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The Big Give

The BIG GIVE, a 24 hour day of giving was on March 22. WGC received a total of \$2,871 in donations by 37 individuals. Donations will go in part towards the continued development of an early childhood care center in Tanzania that will help working women receive care for their children as they continue to build their own businesses, along with helping grow our Girls Global Summit.