

Programme

A Global Voice, a Focused Vision

As Soroptimists we are A Global Voice for Women. We have achieved this by working together toward our common goal: A better world for all, by making it a better world for women and girls.

The 2007 - 2011 Programme Focus is our blueprint for awareness, advocacy and action. It was developed to ensure that we as Soroptimists continue to be A Global Voice for Women.

Every Soroptimist's Focus

The 2007 - 2011 Focus is the result of a year-long consultative process to which Soroptimists from around the world contributed. Its final form and content was ratified by the votes of representatives from all four Soroptimist International Federations at the 2007 International Board Meeting in Glasgow, United Kingdom.

Focus on the Focus

The first step is for clubs to choose which goal or goals to focus on and then which objective or objectives. The next step is to develop the strategies that work best in your community to achieve your chosen goals and objectives. From the website you can download Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) developed by the Programme Team to assist this process.

The Programme Focus Team: Here to Help You

The Soroptimist International Programme Team (the Programme Director, her Assistant, your Federation Programme Director/Liaison, and SI HQ) are ready to assist you with ideas and suggestions for developing successful strategies for awareness, advocacy and action.

Issues we address

Members are encouraged to be aware of and involved in the issues of society and to take positions of advocacy, encouraging governments and authorities to ensure that gender and human rights' concerns inform policy and action. Here are some of the issues we have addressed:

- violence against women
- health care provision
- equal pay for equal work
- elder abuse
- prostitution and trafficking
- child labour
- support for carers and provision of child care
- re-entry into work programmes
- landmines
- environment protection and conservation
- reconciliation with indigenous populations
- educational opportunities for girls

New SI Online Programme Focus Database

You can now submit your Programme Focus Reports online. This facility is for members only, so first obtain the user name and password from your Federation or SI Headquarters, then click on the link below. The form is quick and simple to fill in. You will be asked for your contact details but they will NOT appear on the published database.

Why not search the database yourself?

Our new system also gives you the opportunity to search the database yourself for the first time. You can search by keyword, programme area, federation etc and have immediate access to information on Soroptimist projects around the world.

Remember, this is your database and your chance to tell Soroptimists worldwide about your club project. We hope you will enjoy using it.

- <http://reports.soroptimistinternational.org>