

## FAWCO Philanthropy



### FAWCO Foundation Development

**Grants** contribute to the achievement of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals addressing education, environment, health and human rights. Since 1997, the FAWCO Foundation has made over \$340,000 in DGs to more than 100 projects in 78 countries worldwide, in efforts such as building classrooms, paying salaries for teachers and nurses, buying educational materials, constructing water pumps, installing solar panels, renovating health clinics, purchasing project equipment, funding workshops and training.

### Disaster Relief

FAWCO members contribute to funds supporting victims of the Ebola outbreak in Liberia, Typhoon Halyan in the Philippines, earthquakes in Japan and China, and Hurricane Sandy in New York.

**FAWCO contributes to a better world** by encouraging global citizenship; promoting world peace, cross-cultural understanding and respect; improving the lives of women and girls; and encouraging environmental stewardship.

**Founded in 1931, FAWCO is a global women's organization with over 12,000 members in more than 30 countries.**

FAWCO promotes gender equality and women's empowerment in four priority areas: Education, Environment, Health, and Human Rights.

***FAWCO has been an NGO with special consultative status to the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC) since 1997.*** FAWCO promotes the UN and its development agenda and campaigns for ratification of CEDAW in the US; works with UN Women; the NGO Committees on the Status of Women in New York, Geneva and Vienna; the Working Group on Girls and the Committee on Migration in New York; and the UN High Commission for Refugees in Athens.



*FAWCO Members Meet on the Bridge  
International Women's Day 2013 in Bern, Switzerland*

## FAWCO supports UN priority issues through its global network

### Target Programs

Every three years, FAWCO members choose a major project to focus efforts on education, awareness and fundraising for a priority UN development issue. In recent years, Target Programs have included:

**Trafficking:** funded an organization providing economic opportunities for sex trafficking survivors in Mozambique, Uganda and El Salvador

**Clean Water:** funded the construction of over 630 wells to supply drinking and agricultural water for 1,500 families in rural Cambodia

**Malaria Prevention:** donated 30,000 insecticide-treated mosquito nets, reducing the incidence of malaria in target areas in Africa by 70%

### Beijing+20

FAWCO is actively participating in the Beijing+20 review process. In 2014, FAWCO was a key member of the NGO CSW planning committee for the Geneva NGO Forum Beijing+20 ECE Regional Review.



Members of FAWCO's delegation at B+20 NGO Review Forum, Geneva

FAWCO members are in leadership roles on NGO Committees on the Status of Women in New York, Geneva and Vienna.

FAWCO members take action on vital issues by participating on Global Task Forces on education, environment, health and human rights. FAWCO's Human Rights Task Force addresses gender equality, economic and political empowerment, violence against women, and peace and conflict. The Task Force promotes global women's rights campaigns such as the UN Women-sponsored 16 Days of Activism against Gender Violence and One Billion Rising.

FAWCO advances the UN priority of engaging young people and developing responsible global citizens. FAWCO Youth Reps participate in UN events in NY, and our Youth Volunteer Programs encourage hands-on volunteering and community service.

### Focus on Girls

FAWCO holds the position of Chair of the Advocacy Committee for the Working Group on Girls (WGG), a coalition of over 80 NGOs working for and with girls at the UN.

### Supporting Refugees

FAWCO works on the NGO Committee on Migration promoting policies to educate school-age refugees and support their mothers. FAWCO women work to assist refugees in Jordan, Greece, Italy, Germany and Austria, and FAWCO promotes UNHCR fundraising campaigns.

