



Chapter Leader Talking Points June 2012

Monthly theme: *Educate Girls and Everything Changes*

This month we have two programs we are supporting in Kenya. See each program's web page for the specific program's *Fact Sheet*. You find that the *Food for Thought*, *Recipes*, and *Fair Trade, Book and Film* materials are based on the theme and country and combined to for both programs. Also, check out the additional resources that are available!

Featured Programs:

"Community Educational Program" – Maasai Girls Educational Fund

DFW will support Community Education Program workshops throughout Maasai communities that address age-old ethnic customs and beliefs contributing to early marriage, teen pregnancy, the spread of HIV, female genital cutting, and violence against women, all of which prevent girls from receiving an education and perpetuate poverty among the Maasai people. This program also includes business training workshops for rural Maasai women that will prepare them to become self-sufficient. **Goal: \$23,504**

"Dreams for our Daughters" - Huru International

DFW will support Huru kits to be distributed to 1,625 at-risk adolescent girls through peer-led educational workshops, which will also focus on HIV prevention, sexual and reproductive health, and menstrual hygiene education. **Goal: \$21,990**

Meeting Idea: Use the questions in the Food for Thought for an icebreaker discussion among members.

Additional Monthly Program Materials Available

We are so pleased to make available additional education materials to enhance your meetings. In addition to material provided in the past for the featured program, you will also find a program presentation, video and other relevant program resources. These educational materials can be accessed on the featured program webpage and can be downloaded or viewed online.

2012 Program Totals

\$47,177 to Nepal Youth Foundation - January

\$47,382 to Starfish One by One - February

\$58,664 to Women's Earth Alliance - March (as of 5/24/12)

\$40,327 to Afghan Friends Network - April (as of 5/24/12)

387 new chapters added (as of May 1)

DFW Cookbook to Celebrate 10 years of DFW

Recipes are being requested by a Greenville chapter; due August 13th. This chapter is publishing a cookbook to celebrate a decade of dinners empowering women and girls and hopes to raise \$20,000. See our DFW website for more information. Cookbooks will be available next spring for \$20 a piece.

Empower Dining for Women – Empower Women and Girls

Please encourage your members to support our *Empower DFW campaign*! Recent growth surge has created an immediate need for resources to support our expanding membership. As DFW becomes larger, we need to improve HQ with additional staff, equipment and materials to meet the needs of our donors, our programs partners, and our dedicated volunteers. DFW has been enormously successful in creating change for women and girls through our innovative model of collective giving. The opportunity for substantial impact increases as DFW grows. In order to continue making a difference, we need your support at this time. Thank you!

Please ask that members to donate online, or write a separate check and send to:

Dining for Women P.O Box 25633 Greenville, SC 29616

If you collect donations for this campaign at your chapter meeting, please submit separately to the above address and include the Non-Program Donation cover sheet found on the Chapter Resource webpage. Thank you!

Next month's featured programs:

Transitions Global's mission is to empower survivors of sex trafficking, with the opportunity to heal and recapture the most basic of human rights - freedom and hope. DFW will support the Transitions' Dream Home and STAR House programs, which will serve 28 young Cambodian and Vietnamese teenage girls rescued from sex trafficking. Through a three-phased progressive program these women will be cared for and empowered to pursue new dreams for their future.