

ZONTA CLUB OF THE ADELAIDE HILLS INC.

CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE ADOPTION OF A SERVICE PROJECT or ADVOCACY TOPIC

GOALS

When choosing Service projects and advocacy initiatives the following goals should be consulted:

- **To improve the legal, political, economic, health, educational and professional status of women; through service and advocacy.**
- **To work for the advancement of understanding, goodwill and peace, through a world fellowship of executives in business and the professions.**
- **To promote justice and universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms.**

All our projects must meet the criteria of Zonta International as a Status of Women Issue as prescribed by the ZI Scorecard for assessing service projects and advocacy initiatives. When choosing projects the ZI District 23 Advocacy and Legislative Awareness Information booklet should be consulted. If the advocacy topic or service project does not meet the objects of Zonta international then they are not suitable for consideration.

Some of the key points are:

- We shall be non-partisan and non-sectarian.
- Zonta Clubs may express their opinion on issues only as clubs. Districts may express their opinion as districts only. Individuals may express their opinions privately only but may not attribute them to a Zonta club, district or to Zonta International.
- We will not advocate on behalf of or endorse a political candidate or party, or any religious denomination.
- We will keep doing service projects that work to improve the status of women and girls.
- We can, for example, conduct a public women's forum and invite a panel of respected women to speak on selected topics related to the advancement of women.
- We may apply for funding to finance workshops, forums etc.
- We may endorse qualified individuals for non-partisan positions.
- When we host or sponsor activities, every effort should be made for a well balanced presentation of facts and viewpoints.

Please check the ZI District 23 LAA Information booklet for more information.