

Who We Are:

The Women's Philanthropy Council was formed to support the work of the Optimist International Foundation. Members reach out to women as donors and help shape their philanthropy.



It is not surprising that women bring a different perspective to their giving than men do. Research shows that women tend to give where they believe they make a difference with their gift - regardless of the amount of the gift.

The giving circle of the Women's Philanthropy Council funds our work in conjunction with the Optimists across the US and in the Caribbean.

The giving circle of the Women's Philanthropy Council begins with an annual gift of at least \$100.

Name: _____ If an Optimist, Club Number: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

~My gift of \$ _____ is enclosed~

If paying by check, please make payable to OIF; note WPC in memo

If paying by credit card, please complete form below:

Number: _____

Visa ___ MC ___ Discover ___ Amex ___ Expiration: _____ Security Code: _____

Signature: _____

I have received my pin: ___ Yes ___ No

Would you like to help the WPC by donating in other ways (purses and/or items for auctions and other fundraising efforts)?

___ Yes, please contact me.

Please mail donations and completed forms to:

Optimist International Foundation

PO Box 952126

St. Louis, MO 63195-2126

What We Do:

- Fund two Club Grants annually for the Optimist International Foundation.
- Fund a girl's oratorical scholarship in an Optimist District.
- Present a workshop related to women and giving at the Optimist International Convention.
- Maintain contact with women who have an affinity for Optimism and its programs.
- Be available to discuss women's giving concerns on a District, Zone, or Club level.
- Provide funds to Optimist International Foundation, which help support:

Every international Program of OI

Up to four \$2,500 scholarships in each OI District in oratorical, essay, and the Communication Contest for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

Training in philanthropy for volunteers and Optimist leaders

Special grants to Clubs and Districts for their philanthropic needs

Aiding OI with special project needs like Internet Safety, Childhood Cancer, and the Oratorical World Championship Contest

Significant funding for JOI - OI's youth service and leadership program

Mission Statement

Seeking, receiving and managing funds and real and personal property for the benefit of Optimist International and its Member Clubs for charitable, literary and educational activities.

Vision Statement

We envision a Foundation that can provide significant funding for Optimist International's youth and service programs and is proudly supported by individual Optimists, their Clubs and the community at large.

Purpose Statement

Optimist International Foundation is created and shall be operated exclusively for the charitable, literary or educational purposes of Optimist International, a Missouri not-for-profit corporation, classified as a public charity under section 509(a)(1) within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as now in force or afterwards amended.



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Women's Philanthropy Council

"Helping Optimists Help Kids!"

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