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through programs leading to social  
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## SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF THE AMERICAS

### Women, Water & Leadership

#### 2017-2019 Soroptimist International President's (SI) Appeal—Update

Thank you to the member clubs of Soroptimist International of the Americas for your total contributions of over \$60,000 since SI President Mariet Verhoef-Cohen announced her appeal—**“Women, Water & Leadership.”** The appeal supports projects that educate, empower and enable women and girls, ensuring they have the capacity, experience and education needed to manage water resources and gain careers in water-related professions.

The appeal will raise money from all four federations to support five projects on five continents. There is currently one project in Africa and one in Europe. Here are links for updates regarding Mwihoko Women's Group, Kenya (improving the economic and social livelihood of women), and WeWash, Bugaria (reshaping the lives of unemployed and low-income women and girls by increasing employability):

<https://www.soroptimistinternational.org/mwihoko-women-group-kenya-si-presidents-appeal>

<https://www.soroptimistinternational.org/wewash-women-water-and-leadership-appeal>

The President's Appeal committee, made up of representatives from each of the four federations, confers regularly to review and select new projects. The SIA representative is Dona Gaddis Wolf, who can be contacted at [gaddiswolf@comcast.net](mailto:gaddiswolf@comcast.net).

Soroptimist International of the Americas (SIA) clubs and members can help fund the 2017-2019 President's Appeal by sending donations to SIA headquarters with the completed federation financial transaction form: <https://www.soroptimist.org/members/fundraising/fundraisingdocs/laurelsociety/financialtransactionform.pdf>

To read more about SI President Mariet:

<https://www.soroptimistinternational.org/about-us/si-president>

To read more about the 2015-2017 President's Appeal: Women, Water & Leadership:

<https://www.soroptimistinternational.org/campaigns/women-water-and-leadership-2017-2019>

To access President's Appeal resources (logo, power point presentation, and brochure):

<https://www.soroptimistinternational.org/members-area/si-resources>