



Programs

Live Your Dream: Education and Training Awards for Women

Education grants to women who have overcome enormous personal obstacles. Recipients may use the cash grants to offset any costs associated with their efforts to attain additional education or training. Award recipients go on to enjoy improved employment prospects, greater earning potential, higher self-esteem, and serve as positive role models for their children.

Dream It Be It: Career Support for Girls

Girls Career Conference with amazing guest speakers and mentors, plus a Career/Resource Fair of professional women. Make valuable connections for your career, education and volunteer areas of interest!

Violet Richardson Award

The Violet Richardson Award recognizes young women who make the community and world a better place through volunteer efforts such as: fighting drugs, crime and violence; cleaning up the environment; and working to end discrimination and poverty. Volunteer actions that benefit women or girls are of particular interest.

What does Soroptimist mean?

Best for women.

What the organization strives to be—women at our best, helping other women to be their best.



Finalist for Non-Profit of the Year - South Surrey White Rock Chamber of Commerce Business Awards 2022

Join Us!

We are always looking for new members!

The club is open to women ages 19+
If you want to help make a difference in your community, come to our next meeting.

We meet once a month.

Email us if you want to attend a meeting!

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Investing in Dreams

Soroptimist International of White Rock

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We Are Soroptimist

A global volunteer organization that provides women and girls with access to the education and training they need to achieve economic empowerment.



Helping women and girls live their dreams

Soroptimist believes the most effective way to empower women and girls is by providing them with access to education. Educated women and girls are far more likely to realize their potential.



The White Rock chapter of the Soroptimists was chartered in 1950. We originally chartered with Blaine just over the border in Washington State. Later we continued on our own.

We have raised thousands of dollars over our years of being in operation, distributing the funds to various deserving charities that improve the lives of women. All money raised in our community stays in White Rock and South Surrey.



Examples of how we fundraise?

Donations
Legacy Donations
Sales Events
Live and Online Auctions (ex: *Purse & Scarf*)
Various events
(ex: *Wine, Women & Chocolate, Comedy Night*)
Women's Film Festival



Who have we helped?

Alexandra House Youth Space
Avalon Recovery Society
Elizabeth Fry Society of Greater Vancouver
Sources Community Resources
Alexandra House
Semiahmoo Family Place
Sources Counselling Program
Sources Legal Aid
Women's Place



ReSTART Kits

ReSTART, which stands for **Surviving Today and ReSTARTing Tomorrow**, is a project that was developed and started in 2004.

Soroptimist international of White Rock provides kits of new household items (kitchen, bedding, toiletries etc.) for women and children that are leaving transition houses to live independently free from violence and abuse.

Our research showed that women and children arrive at transition houses, often through police intervention or from the hospital emergency ward, with few or no personal belongings. We determined that basic household necessities are crucial for women and children trying to start independent living.

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