



## ***Club Giving Fast Facts***

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### **What is Club Giving?**

Club Giving is a recognition program for clubs that contribute money raised from their local fundraising efforts to support federation programs. Clubs have a long history of helping to fund federation programs and club giving is an opportunity for each club to contribute to programs that also reach beyond their own community. Through federation programs, clubs can take collective pride in improving the lives of women and girls throughout the world.

### **How are donations from Club Giving used?**

Contributions to Club Giving support Soroptimist programs, including: the Women's Opportunity Awards, Soroptimist Club Grants for Women and Girls, Soroptimists Stop Trafficking, the Violet Richardson Award, the Workplace Campaign to End Domestic Violence, and the Ruby Award. Contributions are needed now more than at any time in history, to offer a hand up to women and girls locally and globally.

### **What kind of recognition is given for Club Giving contributions?**

It is suggested that clubs contribute at least 10 percent of their local fundraising efforts to Club Giving. Soroptimist is grateful for every club contribution that supports federation programs and recognizes that every member of every club has an important part to play in raising funds. Each year clubs are acknowledged for gifts donated during the campaign period, which runs from June 1 through May 31, at the following levels:

Dream Catchers	\$10,000 +
Dream Chasers	\$5,000 - \$9,999
Builders	\$2,500 - \$4,999
Believers	\$1,000 - \$2,499
Dreamers	\$500 - \$999
Friends	\$100 - \$499

Headquarters acknowledges every contribution from Club Giving. In addition, a unique package of benefits and privileges are offered at each level:

### **Giving Levels: Benefits and Privileges**

#### Friends-\$100-\$499

- Certificate of Appreciation
- Recognition on Club Recognition section on SIA website.

#### Dreamers-\$500-\$999

- Certificate of Appreciation
- Recognition on Club Recognition section on SIA website
- 1 Entry into a drawing for complimentary registration and meals for Soroptimist Women's Leadership Institute in Hawaii, August 2011

#### Believers-\$1,000-\$2,499

- Certificate of Appreciation
- Recognition on Club Recognition section on SIA website
- 2 Entries into a drawing for complimentary registration and meals for Soroptimist Women's Leadership Institute in Hawaii, August 2011.
- Highlight club projects in Club Recognition section of SIA website.

#### Builders-\$2,500-\$4,999

- Certificate of Appreciation
- Recognition on Club Recognition section on SIA website
- 3 Entries into drawing for complimentary registration and meals for Soroptimist Women's Leadership Institute in Hawaii, August 2011.
- Highlight club projects in Club Recognition section of SIA website.
- Invitation to club president and one guest to VIP reception in President's Suite at the Soroptimist Women's Leadership Institute in Hawaii, August 2011.

#### Dream Chasers-\$5,000-\$9,999

- Certificate of Appreciation
- Recognition on Club Recognition section on SIA website
- 4 Entries into a drawing for complimentary registration and meals for Soroptimist Women's Leadership Institute in Hawaii, August 2011.
- Highlight club projects in Club Recognition section of SIA website.
- Invitation to club president and one guest to VIP reception in President's Suite at the Soroptimist Women's leadership Institute in Hawaii, August 2011.
- Focus on club in Soroptimist Summary for one designated month.

#### Dream Catchers-\$10,000 +

- Certificate of Appreciation
- Recognition on Club Recognition section on SIA website
- 5 Entries into a drawing for complimentary registration and meals for Soroptimist Women's Leadership Institute in Hawaii, August 2011.
- Highlight club projects in Club Recognition section of SIA website.
- Invitation to club president and one guest to VIP reception in President's suite at the Soroptimist Women's Leadership Institute in Hawaii, August 2011.
- Focus on club in Soroptimist Summary for one designated month.
- One complimentary registration and 3 room nights for Soroptimist International convention in Montreal, July 2011. This will be awarded to the club to be used by the club president or her designee.

### **How does a club submit their gift to Club Giving?**

A club may submit their contribution at any time during the campaign period. Multiple contributions made during a campaign period are cumulative for recognition and must be received at headquarters before May 31. Contributions received at headquarters after May 31 are

credited to the following year's campaign. Clubs may submit their gift anytime online or send in a completed Financial Transaction Form with their check or credit card payment. A club's gift may also be included with its annual dues payment.

**Can a club participate in Club Giving and also honor someone with a Laurel Society membership with the same donation?**

No. The Laurel Society is a recognition program for individuals. (*See Laurel Society Fast Facts*). If a club wishes to honor an individual, the club must submit a Laurel Society contribution form with the honoree's name and the appropriate donation amount.

**Who should a club contact if there is a question or concern about the club's contribution to Club Giving?**

Inquiries must come directly from the donating club and should be directed to [siahq@soroptimist.org](mailto:siahq@soroptimist.org). The inquiry should include:

- Club name and number
- Amount of the contribution
- Method of submission—mail, fax, e-mail, online, etc.
- Date the contribution was sent in to headquarters
- Whether the contribution was made by check or credit card
- For credit card—the date on the donor's statement that the contribution was charged to the card
- For checks—a copy of the front and back of the cashed check (available from the donor's bank)

Headquarters will respond to the inquiry within three to five business days.

**Does a contribution to Club Giving qualify a club for a Club Award?**

The 2011 Club Award is a checklist of strategies that will help your club AND the federations achieve progress in each of the four areas of the Renaissance Campaign 2011. The suggested amount for club giving is at least 10% of local funds raised. Directing your generosity toward women in **all** of the countries in our federation connects us as part of a truly international organization.