



Memo

February 18, 2017

TO: **2017-18 Funding Applicants**

FROM: Zonta Club of Joliet Service Committee

The Zonta Club of the Joliet Area is a chapter of Zonta International, an organization of business and professional individuals whose mission is to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy. The Zonta Club of the Joliet Area raises money to support programs that improve the status of women in the Joliet area as well as international programs. Over the past eight years, we have chosen one local organization every two years and have provided funding to that one organization over the two year period. **In 2017-18, we have decided to fund more than one organization and provide donations to multiple organizations.**

We are pleased to announce the launch of our application process for our **2017-18 Zonta Club of the Joliet Area Funding Commitments**. In addition to reading this Memo, you should complete the **2017-18 Funding Application**. Copies are available on our website at www.jolietzonta.org. To help you determine whether to apply, we offer the following information:

- ◆ We anticipate two distributions with a round taking place this spring with awards being in the \$1,000-\$1,500 range. We anticipate a second round of distributions in the spring of 2018 with awards being in the \$2,000-\$3,000 range.
- ◆ Our funding priorities are: **Programs in health, education, or human services that serve the needs of women and their children in the Joliet area.**
- ◆ 501 (c) (3) status and you must be located in the Joliet area or serve a significant number of women and children in the Joliet area.
- ◆ Application Deadline is **March 24, 2017.**
- ◆ Zonta is a service organization and if your nonprofit is not chosen to receive funding we would still like to know if there are opportunities for our club to support your mission through service projects.

FOR QUESTIONS regarding the application process, or any difficulties,
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