



BOARD ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

Due: April 20, 2022

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STRATEGIC PLAN AREAS

Education & Training: *Addressing the barriers and implicit biases that hinder advancement of women.*

Economic Security: *Ensuring livelihoods for women.*

Leadership: *Closing the gender gap in leadership opportunities.*

Governance & Sustainability: *Ensuring the strength, relevance, and viability of AAUW well into the future.*

Goals: *What goals did you set this year that are in alignment with this Strategic Plan? Please prioritize your list and indicate after each goal what the current status is (i.e., completed, % completed, estimated completion date, etc.).*

- Efforts made to keep encouraging the local Branches to keep the AAUW National Strategic Plans in place.
- Efforts were made to arm the members with tools and resources to continue the goals of AAUW even during the handicap of the covid virus pandemic keeping members from meeting in person.
- Efforts were made to keep the local Branches interested in the work of AAUW and to continue to support the National Most Needs Areas.
- Efforts were made to promote membership growth even though most of the Branches were losing members due to the covid problems, aging membership, and computer/technical difficulties.

Programs: *Did you identify and/or hold any programs/activities/events that were in alignment with this Strategic Plan? If yes, please give a brief description of each and the date on which it was held/conducted.*

- The Fall Leadership Conference titled "Together We Learn" was held on August 21, 2021, via Zoom. About half of the Branches had a representative to talk about how their Branch has worked to keep and gain membership and continue their AAUW goals. Drew Houston, Director of Citizens Project in Colorado Springs, CO, was the key speaker.
- Stormy McDonald from the Lakewood Branch volunteered to serve as the AAUW State DEI Coordinator beginning July 1, 2021.
- The monthly all member contact newsletter called *Connects* continued on a monthly basis.
- A bi-monthly email called *President to Presidents* was sent out the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month to the 12 Branch presidents to encourage, inform, and appreciate the work the presidents are doing in their communities.

