

The information below will be used to determine the District Advocacy Award to be given out at the 2014 Governor's Seminar, September 20th, Cheyenne, WY

**Advocacy:** The expression of support for or opposition to a cause, argument or proposal. Advocacy may include influencing laws, legislation, or attitudes. Zonta advocacy is an action taken in "the public interest" or for "the greater good" with respect to advancing the status of women and girls and their human rights.)

Does your club have an advocacy committee?  Yes  No

**(Do Not Include Zonta Says No Activities Here - See Below)**

Please name and describe your advocacy projects including for each item:

(a) category: improved the status of women in general (legal, political, economic, educational, health and/or professional)

or

helped prevent and fight violence against women and girls (VAW)

(b) how closely the project coincided with the advocacy definition above

(c) did the project reflect one of the District 12 Platform for Advocacy issues which are:

- Achieving pay equity
- Supporting measures to oppose gender based violence such as trafficking, rape & domestic violence
- Ensuring equal rights under the law
- (d) % of club members involved in the project
- (e) names of any community partners
- (f) visibility and credibility to Zonta created by the project

1. Donations of gift cards were made to Domestic Violence so victims of domestic violence would be able to purchase "fun items" for their children or take them to "fun" events, as sometimes, other parent, when they have the children, can provide much more fun activities for their children.
2. Continue to provide supplies for the Safe houses, as needed.

**Zonta Says No:**

Describe your club's Zonta Says No activities in 2013 - 2014:

Our group was able to have the County Commissioners sign a proclamation against domestic violence signed. Pictures were taken and placed on our facebook page. 5 members were able to attend the signing. We were also able to have the local TV/radio station read the proclamation on the air and the paper did print the article submitted to them. Billings Zonta included us in their publicity activities with the Governor and the NPR station in Billings.

**Zonta's Work with the United Nations' Programs/Funds:**

Please describe how your club informed its membership of Zonta's work with the United Nations' Programs & Funds through its International Service Projects and ZISVAW Projects. *The president forwards information via email.*