

OFFICE OF CAREER SERVICES

GENDER BASED ORGANIZATIONS IN NY AND DC

New York-Based Organizations

Center for Reproductive Rights (CRR)

CRR is a nonprofit legal and policy advocacy organization dedicated to promoting women's reproductive rights. CRR's domestic and international programs engage in litigation, policy analysis, legal research, and public education seeking to achieve women's equality in society and ensure that all women have access to appropriate and freely chosen reproductive health services. CRR is headquartered in New York, with offices in Washington, DC, Kenya, and Colombia.

www.reproductiverights.org

International Women's Health Coalition (IWHC)

IWHC is a nonprofit organization that works with individuals and groups in Africa, Asia, and Latin America to promote women's reproductive and sexual health and rights. They provide technical, managerial, moral and financial support to reproductive health service providers, advocacy groups and women's organizations in Southern countries.

www.iwhc.org

MADRE

MADRE is an international women's human rights organization that works in partnership with women's community-based groups worldwide to address issues of health, economic development and other human rights. MADRE provides resources, training and support to enable sister organizations to meet concrete needs in their communities while working to shift the balance of power to promote long-term development and social justice.

www.madre.org

Ms. Foundation for Women

The Ms. Foundation for Women, a national, multi-issue women's fund, supports the efforts of women and girls to govern their own lives and influence the world around them. They fund and assist women's self-help organizing efforts, and pursue changes in public consciousness, law, philanthropy, and social policy. The foundation directs resources to break down barriers based on race, class, age, disability, sexual orientation, and culture.

www.forwomen.org

UN Women

UN Women is the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women. It is comprised of the UN Division for the Advancement of Women, International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women, Office of the Special Adviser on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women, and the Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children. Its primary roles are to support inter-governmental bodies, such as the Commission on the Status of Women, in their formulation of policies, global standards and norms; to help Member States to implement these standards, standing ready to provide suitable technical and financial support to those countries that request it, and to forge effective partnerships with civil society; and to hold the UN system accountable for its own commitments on gender equality, including regular monitoring of system-wide progress.

www.unwomen.org

Women's Commission for Refugee Women and Children

The Women's Commission is an expert resource and advocacy organization that monitors the care and protection of refugee women and children. It speaks out on issues of concern to refugee and displaced women, children and adolescents, who have a critical perspective in bringing about change but often do not have access to governments and policy makers. It also provides opportunities for refugee women and youth to speak for themselves through briefings, testimony, participation in field assessments and international conferences.

www.womensrefugeecommission.org

Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO)

WEDO is an international advocacy network actively working to transform society to achieve a healthy and peaceful planet with social, political, economic and environmental justice for all through the empowerment of women, in all their diversity, and their equal participation with men in decision-making from grassroots to global arenas.

www.wedo.org

Women's World Banking (WWB)

Women's World Banking is the only microfinance network with an explicit focus on women. Their network of 39 financial organizations from 27 countries—also known as microfinance institutions—located around the world provide small loans, sometimes as modest as \$100, to people to start their businesses.

www.swwb.org

Washington, DC-Based Organizations

American Association of University Women (AAUW)

AAUW is a national network of more than 100,000 members and donors, 1,000 branches, and 600 college/university institutional partners that promotes education and equity for all women and girls. Their commitment to these issues is reflected in public policy efforts, programs, and diversity initiatives.

www.aauw.org

Association for Women in Development (AWID)

AWID envisions a world of dynamic, innovative groups and women and men who work together to make development a truly empowering, engendered and transformative process—from the grassroots to major policy institutions. AWID is an international membership organization that connects, informs and mobilizes people and organizations committed to achieving gender equality, sustainable development and human rights for everyone.

www.awid.org

Centre for Development and Population Activities (CEDPA)

CEDPA is a women-focused nonprofit international organization whose mission is to empower women at all levels of society to be full partners in development. Strategies for empowerment include building the capacities of development institutions and networks, women's participation at the policy level, linking reproductive health services and women's empowerment, and making youth an integral part of the development agenda.

www.cedpa.org

Center for Women Policy Studies

The Center for Women Policy Studies is an independent, national multiethnic and multicultural feminist policy research and advocacy institution. Their multiethnic and multicultural feminist research, policy analyses and advocacy bring women's diverse voices to important debates - on women and AIDS, violence against women and girls, welfare reform, access to health care, educational equity, work/family and workplace diversity policies, reproductive rights and health, and much more.

www.centerwomenpolicy.org

Institute for Women's Policy Research (IWPR)

IWPR is a public policy research organization dedicated to informing and stimulating the debate on public policy issues of critical importance to women and their families. IWPR focuses on issues of: poverty, welfare and income security, employment, education and economic change, health and safety, work and family, and democracy and society.

www.iwpr.org

International Center for Research on Women (ICRW)

ICRW is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting social and economic development with women's full participation. The organization generates quality, empirical information and technical assistance on women's productive and reproductive roles, their status in the family, their leadership in society, and their management of environmental resources. ICRW advocates with governments and multilateral agencies, convenes experts in formal and informal forums, and engages in an active publications and information program to advance women's rights and opportunities. The agency focuses principally on women in developing and transition countries.

www.icrw.org

National Center for Health Research (NCHR)

NCHR is the new name for the National Research Center for Women & Families. The Center promotes the health and safety of women, children, and families by using objective, research-based information to encourage new, more effective programs and policies. The Center achieves its mission by gathering and analyzing information and translating that information into clearly presented facts and policy implications that are made widely available to the public, the media, and policy makers.

www.center4research.org

National Council of Women's Organizations

The National Council of Women's Organizations is a bipartisan network of more than one hundred women's organizations, which together represent more than 6 million members. Member organizations include grassroots, research, service, media and legal advocacy groups. They work together to advocate change on many issues of importance to women, including equal employment opportunity, economic equity, media equality, education, job training, women's health and reproductive health, as well as the specific concerns of mid-life and older women, girls and young women, women of color, business and professional women, homemakers and retired women.

<http://www.nationalwomenscouncil.org/#popup>

Women's Foreign Policy Group (WFPG)

WFPG is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit, educational membership organization which promotes global engagement and the leadership, visibility and participation of women in international affairs.

www.wfpg.org