Events

Fighting Malnutrition with Women's Empowerment
When: Wed, May 9 | 9:00am
Where: National Press Club, Murrow Room, 13th Floor
529 14th St. NW

How did child stunting rates in Bangladesh drop 28 percent during a four-year period? Poverty-fighting organization CARE and USAID will explain the innovative program behind these impressive results that reduced stunting by more than twice the rate of US government funded programs. Meet the experts, and hear from the families and children who have become healthier because of the program called SHOUHARDO. More info.

Maternal Health and Gender-Based Violence
When: Thurs, May 10 | 8:30am-12:30pm
Where: National Press Club
Holeman Lounge, 13th Floor
529 14th Street, NW

The Gender-based Violence Task Force of the Interagency Gender Working Group presents a commemorative Mother's Day panel to raise awareness and share lessons learned from interventions on violence and abuse during pregnancy and childbirth. RSVP to Leigh Stefanik at Lstefanik@care.org.

Launch of the 2012 Social Institutions and Gender Index
When: Thurs, May 10 | 9:00am-12:00pm
Where: Marshall Center Auditorium
US State Department

Women's rights in the Middle East
Watch the video:
Egyptian-American journalist Mona Eltahawy speaks about women's rights and misogyny in the Arab world. Video.

"Nobel Laureates and..."
The launch event is co-hosted by the U.S. Department of State and the OECD Development Centre. A presentation of the 2012 Social Institutions and Global Index data and rankings will be followed by a discussion of the following important topics ranging from donor support to factors that drive change in the Middle East and Africa. RSVP to washington.contact@oecd.org

**Women, Mining and Human Rights in Latin America**

*When:* Fri, May 11 | 12:30pm-2:30pm  
*Where:* Rome Building, Room 806  
1619 Massachusetts Ave

Elbia Karina Coronado, women’s program coordinator of the Asociación para el Desarrollo Integral Maya Ajchmol (Guatemala); Zenaida Romero Martínez, member of Sociedad Homo et Natura and Unión Latinoamericana de Mujeres (ULAM) (Venezuela); and María Francisca Zhaguí Chuchuca, founder of “Women Defenders of Mother Earth” and ULAM (Ecuador), will discuss this topic. Note: This event will have Spanish/English translation. RSVP to jenniferaitvak@gmail.com.

**Global Marketplace**

*When:* May 13 & 14  
*Where:* National Museum of Women in the Arts  
1250 New York Avenue, NW

The Global Marketplace features jewelry, ceramics, personal accessories, and home decor created by women artisan groups living in emerging economies throughout the world. Exhibitors representing the craftswomen and invited speakers discuss the arts as a powerful vehicle of economic development. More info.

**Is the Arab Awakening Marginalizing Women?**

*When:* Mon, May 14 | 9:00am-1:00pm  
*Where:* 6th Floor, Woodrow Wilson Center

For a full description of panels and speakers, please see the event page.

**The 2012 MMMF Grant Recipients Forum**

*When:* Mon, May 14 | 3:00pm-5:00pm  
*Where:* World Bank Main Complex Room: C2–131  
1818 H Street NW

The Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund is pleased to present the 2012 grantees from US and Canadian universities. Do not miss the opportunity to hear these...
Yahoo! Business & Human Rights Summit on Women, Technology and Social/Digital Media

*When:* May 17 & 18  
*Where:* Newseum-Knight Conference Center  
*555 Pennsylvania Ave, NW*  

Change Your World DC will showcase the ways that women are using technology and social media to influence policy, govern, engage and inspire voters, address social issues and change the world. [More info.](#)

Champions for Change Awards Gala

*When:* Wed, May 23 | 6:00pm-9:00pm  
*Where:* The Ritz-Carlton  
*1150 22nd Street, NW*  

Join the [International Center for Research on Women (ICRW)], and special guest actor Ashley Judd, to honor the 2012 Champions for Change Awardees: Hillary Rodham Clinton, U.S. Secretary of State (special video acceptance), ExxonMobil Foundation, Thunderbird Emerging Markets Lab of the Thunderbird School of Global Management, and Solar Sisters. [More info.](#)

Leveraging Women's Voices - NCRW Annual Conference

*When:* June 20-22  
*Where:* [Georgetown University Conference Center](#)

The twin focus of this year's Conference is on strengthening women's economic security and advancing women's leadership; two critical areas in the path towards greater gender equality. Held over three days, the Conference will offer a series of panels, workshops, networking, and strategy sessions with the specific aim of identifying action steps to bring about transformative change in our economy and society. [More info.](#)

Opportunities

**Michele Manatt Endowed Fellowship**  
*Deadline:* June 1  

The fellowship is available for second year graduate students at the Elliott School of International Affairs. In order to be considered for this fellowship, students must show a firm commitment to studying women's/girls' issues
Internship, Programme on Women's Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

*Where*: New Delhi, India

PWESCR ongoing volunteer internship programme typically consists of a minimum of four consecutive calendar months of work in the Delhi (India) office. The programme is mutually advantageous. Interns gain valuable exposure to a wide range of women's human rights issues and knowledge of South Asian region. [More info.](#)

**Gender And Livelihoods Advisor**

*Who*: CARE USA

*Closing date*: May 23

CARE is seeking an experienced Gender and Livelihoods Advisor who will work within CARE USA's dynamic and cross-cutting Gender and Empowerment unit and with close affiliation with the Food, Livelihoods Justice unit in the Program, Partnership, Learning and Advocacy Division. [More info.](#)

**Technical Adviser, Gender, Equality and Women’s Empowerment**

*Who*: UNFPA

*Closing date*: May 23

*Where*: New York

The Technical Adviser post provides strategic technical leadership to ensure that the ICPD Programme of Action in Gender equality and women's empowerment is firmly placed within the global development agenda, including the achievement of the MDGs. [More info.](#)

**Resources**

**Women's Demand for Reproductive Control: Understanding and Addressing Gender Barriers**

Millions of women each year experience unintended pregnancies, and millions more have unmet need for family planning. This analysis illuminates how the social construction of gender affects fertility preferences, unmet need, and the barriers that women face to using contraception and safe abortion ([PDF](#)).

**Women Under Siege**

Women Under Siege documents how rape and other forms...
of sexualized violence are used as tools in genocide and conflict throughout the 20th century and into the 21st. In the belief that understanding what happened then might have helped us to prevent or helped us to prepare for the mass sexual assaults of other conflicts, from Bosnia to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Women’s Media Center project is exploring this linkage to heighten public consciousness of causes and preventions.

**A Woman’s Struggle: Using Gender Lenses to Understand the Plight of Women Human Rights Defenders in Kurdish Regions of Turkey**

This report explores the hitherto untold experiences of women human rights defenders in East and South East Turkey, a burning issue. As in other situations of violent conflict and gendered and ethnic oppression, women in the Kurdish region of Turkey have been disproportionately affected from curtailed access to education, decent employment, loss of livelihoods ([PDF](#)).

**Women Leading Change: Experiences Promoting Women's Empowerment, Leadership, and Gender Justice**

This publication features the experiences of five Oxfam partner organizations in promoting women's political and economic empowerment and leadership. After a general look at the context in which women live, the publication moves on to what leadership means and how to achieve it ([PDF](#)).

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