

# Soroptimists and their work in the community



ALL the clubs in the Soroptimists International movement have the same aims, to empower, educate and enable women and girls to attain their full potential, both locally and around the world. Here we show some examples of the work of the two local clubs, High Wycombe & District, which is celebrating its 60th anniversary this year, and Thames Valley. For more information about the clubs go to [www.sigbi.org/high-wycombe-and-district](http://www.sigbi.org/high-wycombe-and-district) and [www.sigbi.org/thames-valley](http://www.sigbi.org/thames-valley)  
**Top:** For some fifteen years SI Thames Valley Soroptimists have developed

their Kori Development Project in Sierra Leone, where the projects include building a new school. Here we see the children at the school showing their appreciation.  
**Centre left:** Members of the SI High Wycombe club meet visitors to the Orange Café in the Front Room in Castle Street, where they gave out leaflets and provided information to women about where to get help if they or someone they know is a victim of domestic abuse.  
**Centre right:** SI High Wycombe preparing washing up bowls full of

household items to present to women leaving the Wycombe Women's Aid refuge to set up a new life away from domestic abuse.  
**Left:** Here members of SI High Wycombe are putting together Christmas boxes of treats and toiletries for Wycombe Women's Aid and Chosen. They also provide tea, coffee and biscuits for Chosen's drop-in centre in Desborough Road and donate knickers and other useful items to the sex workers.  
**Above:** Members of the SI Thames Valley club.

Send your pictures to [deweymiked@aol.com](mailto:deweymiked@aol.com)