



Climate Change Projects Soroptimist International Network (SICN)

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Women Inspiring action,
transforming lives 



Explicit and implicit social norms and laws have imposed differentiated powers, roles and responsibilities on women and men in all aspects of life. The February 2022 report [from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change \(IPCC\)](#) found that girls and women are also at higher risk of food insecurity than boys and men, are more likely to die in extreme weather events, and are more likely to experience mental health impacts caused by climate change

In the Caribbean, the Clubs of the Soroptimist

International Caribbean Network are heavily involved in Climate Change Projects. The Caribbean, as Small Island Developmental States are especially vulnerable to aspects of climate change events, for example, extreme hurricanes and storm surges. These adverse weather events wreak havoc on land and cause lots of damage especially to coastal communities impacting livelihoods. Consequently, the social and economic fabric of countries are torn apart, especially for women and girls.



Membership of SICN

- Anguilla
- Barbados
- Barbados Jamestown
- Grenada
- Jamaica Northern
- Jamaica Western
- Jamaica Mid-Eastern
- Jamaica Mandeville
- Jamaica Kingston
- St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- Trinidad Esperance
- Trinidad Port-of-Spain
- Turks & Caicos Providenciales
- Turks & Caicos Grand Turk
- Turks & Caicos South Caicos



Jacqueline Pascal- President of Soroptimist International Caribbean Network (SICN) states that we all are the recipients of the adverse effects of the change in weather patterns due to climate change. Hurricanes are more devastating and impactful on our lives and livelihoods. Let us join together to slow climate change and protect our lands and waters. By committing to do this, we will be aligning our actions with Sustainable Developmental Goal (SDG) #13 (Climate Action) and SDG #14 (Life Below Water).

The Caribbean countries bear a hallmark of resiliency. Climate change projects in SICN assist in creating hope and change for the populace. Partnerships with the youths and other organisations encourage and support advocacy actions that enable, educate and empower the lives of women and girls.