Step 2 – The Story of your Project . . .

Your project should demonstrate how the lives of women and girls have been improved through education, empowerment and enabling opportunities. Use these words where possible in the write up below. Overwrite the words already in the boxes:

12. Please enter a concise summary of your project below, so that it could be used in publicity material.*

We agreed to give credence to current environmental concerns. An opportunity to bring clubs across Federations to make presentations on “Climate Change in Your City” All confined to their homes due to the pandemic. 15 clubs of our region and our 5 friendship link clubs involved. This got all clubs researching & looking at the climate issues in their city. Issues addressed were air pollution, waste management, effect of climate disaster. We had 100 participants on Zoom and 150 YouTube viewers

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13. Why did your Club/Region/NA/Network choose this project? What issue did you tackle with this project?*

The lockdown made us take advantage of the virtual platform. It was our first international webinar. We wanted members to think about issues of Climate Change in their own city. Climate Change being a global subject was aptly chosen. Awareness on the ill effects of climate change and the local ways to mitigate it was very well addressed. The main focus was on community cooperation to get system right from the beginning. Soroptimists explained how they are raising awareness, proposing alternate solutions, planting trees and taking direct action when needed. Small steps to reduce your carbon footprint like walking to work or cycling instead of using their car was discussed.

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14. What did the project involve?*

It involved a few weeks of preparation for us. Presenters were requested to think about issues of climate change in their own city. Invitations were sent to all the clubs in India, the 5 federations and our friendship links. It was a month long preparation for conceptualisation, confirmation, communication, coordination and getting submissions for 20 Presentations to the actual event. The invitation to the webinar was published in SIGBI club mailings and SI lab. We had an overwhelming response for participation. We had 100 participants on Zoom, others participants were accommodated on YouTube. We can proudly say it was the highest turnout of participants and viewers.

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15. What was the result of this project?*

There was an encouraging & overwhelming response. 150+ participants. This webinar had viewers from Alaska, France, Scotland, Italy, South Africa, Australia, America and other countries. This was an eye opener and a learning platform and inspiration for the members. All presenters researched on their city. It gave a clear picture of the effects of climate change resulting in decreased water resources, sudden flooding, pollution and the regional impacts. SI South Kolkata’s presentation on ‘Save the mangroves in Sundarban’, resulted in the club taking it on as their project. SIGBI centenary tree planting committee, clubs in SIGBI, and clubs in India are supporting planting mangroves.

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Notes:
1. This template includes only the fields related to the “Story of your Project” as these are the ones that take the time to complete and could result in your session “timing out” before you have finished your project.

2. Complete this template and then copy and paste the information into the online report for Step 2 to speed up the process.

3. To check the character count of each field, highlight all the text in the field, and in the blue bar at the bottom LH side of your screen, it will tell you how many words you have used. Double-click on the word count and it will open up a dialogue box showing how many characters you have used.