



## **Zonta Club of Phoenix Area, Inc.**

**District 9, Zonta International**

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### ***Young Women in Public Affairs Award***

The Zonta Club of the Phoenix Area, Inc. is pleased to announce the Young Women in Public Affairs Award for 2009. This program recognizes outstanding young women who have shown a commitment to service in the community and leadership achievements that demonstrate a commitment to the advancement of the status of women worldwide. The award is open to **pre-university** and **pre-college** women students, aged 16-20 years, who intend to further their education. *(Note: Incoming fall 2009 college freshmen are eligible for this award. Current college students are ineligible.)*

The winner of the Phoenix award will receive a \$500.00 award from the Zonta Club of Phoenix Area. She will then be eligible for further awards from Zonta's District 9 (\$500.00) and from Zonta International (\$1,000). The 1997 winner of the Zonta Club of Phoenix Area's Award also received the District 9 and Zonta International Awards. The 2001 and 2007 winners received the District 9 Award.

The Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award program was established to encourage **secondary-school** women to enter careers or to seek leadership positions in social policy-making positions in order to make a difference in the lives of women and men worldwide.

Enclosed is a complete application packet, consisting of a cover page, an instruction page, the application form, **two** recommendation forms and a verification of current enrollment form. Please carefully note the application requirements. **Two recommendations must be submitted. The form must be typed.** A computer or word processor may be used to generate the answers which may then be affixed in the space provided, or the form may be scanned into a computer. The form also may be downloaded from [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org). (The downloaded form is a fillable form.) Photocopies of the form are acceptable, however, the **signature must be original**. Completed forms must be received no later than **March 28, 2009**. Completed forms should be sent to:

Zonta Club of Phoenix Area, Inc.  
7633 North Ninth Avenue  
Phoenix, Arizona 85021

Telephone inquiries may be directed to Mary Chandler at 602-870-8819 or 602-870-0858.

# Young Women in Public Affairs

## *A Zonta International Program, Funded by the Zonta International Foundation*

### General Information

The goal of the Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Program is to encourage more young women to participate in public and political life by recognizing a commitment to the volunteer sector, evidence of volunteer leadership achievements and a dedication to the advancement of the status of women.

### The Awards

Zonta Clubs usually provide awards for Club recipients. District recipients receive US\$1,000. Five International recipients are selected from the District recipients to receive awards of US\$3,000 each. District and International awards are funded by the Zonta International Foundation

### Who is Eligible?

Women who are pre-university or pre-college students (age 16-20) at the time of application and demonstrate:

- Evidence of active commitment to volunteerism.
- Evidence of volunteer leadership achievements.
- Evidence of international awareness
- Evidence of dedication to advancing the status of women worldwide.

### Application Requirements

- Completion of the official application (may be printed or downloaded from the Zonta International Web site, [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org)) and include:
- Verification of current enrollment by school official
- Two confidential recommendations from adults, not related to the applicant, such as teachers, school officials or community leaders.

Supporting documentation not requested will not be considered. All applications and supporting information become the property of Zonta International. Zonta International has final authority over any aspect of the Awards.

### Application process

The application process must start with a Zonta Club. All application materials must be received at the Zonta Club by the printed deadline. If you downloaded the application, you must contact a Zonta Club for deadline information. Please locate the Zonta Club nearest you using the Club Locator at [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org), or e-mail your name and contact information to the Young Women in Public Affairs Chairman at [ywpachairman@zonta.org](mailto:ywpachairman@zonta.org).

Zonta Clubs select one application to send to the Zonta District Governors. A District Evaluating Committee reviews the applications and selects one applicant per District to submit to Zonta International Headquarters. The Zonta International YWPA Committee recommends five International recipients from the District applications to the Zonta International Board. After approval by the Zonta International Board, the Zonta International Foundation provides awards and certificates to the District and International recipients.

### Timetable

<b>Application</b> is updated on the Zonta International Web site ( <a href="http://www.zonta.org">www.zonta.org</a> ).....	by 1 September
Applications received by Zonta Club of Phoenix Area , 7633 N. 9 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85021 by 28 March 2009.....	
<b>Club</b> recipients selected and applications received by District Governor.....	by 1 April
<b>District</b> recipients selected and applications received by Zonta International Headquarters.....	by 1 May
Announcement of <b>District</b> and <b>International</b> Recipients.....	1 July



## Application for Young Women in Public Affairs Award

**Send applications and direct questions to:**

**Application Deadline:** March 28, 2009 (Received by Date)  
 Zonta Club of Phoenix Area  
 c/o Mary Z. Chandler  
 Address: 7633 N. 9<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
 City/State: Phoenix, AZ 85021  
 Province/Country: USA  
 Telephone: 602-870-0858; Fax 602-870-0915  
 Email Address: mzchandler3@gmail.com

Applications may be photocopied or  
 downloaded from [www.zonta.org](http://www.zonta.org)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last (Family)
First (Given)
Middle

Present Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and Address of School currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Current year of study: \_\_\_\_\_

### PERSONAL GOALS

Please describe your anticipated course of study and current career interests, including how you plan to continue to be active in volunteer or community organizations.

**Question**

**Maximum Points**

**1. Student Activities**

**(20)**

Describe your student activities and the leadership role you play in them. Please include what you find most rewarding or valuable about your participation in these activities. *(200 to 300 words)*

**2. Community Service Activities**

**(20)**

Describe the activities in which you participate that benefit your community. Why did you select these activities? *(200 to 300 words)*

**3. International Awareness**

**(10)**

Describe the activities you participate in which increase your experience, knowledge and understanding of other countries and their different customs. *(150 to 200 words)*

**4. Status of Women in your Country**

**(30)**

- a) What do you see as the most important problem(s) (no more than two) limiting the advancement of the status of women in your country?
- b) What do you think could be done about it?
- c) If you had the power to make one change to help women achieve better equality, what would that change be? *(300 to 500 words)*

**5. Status of Women Worldwide**

**(20)**

- a) What do you see as the most important problem(s) (no more than two) limiting the status of women worldwide?
- b) What do you think could be done about it? You should include your opinion about the role of the United Nations, other international organizations and non-governmental organizations (NGO), such as Zonta International, and/or the input of each individual woman. *(300 to 500 words)*

**Checklist to be completed by applicant:**

- Verification of current enrollment by school official
- Two confidential recommendations
- Completed application materials, typed and in English
- Applicant's Signature
- All Essay questions meet the guidelines of 150-500 words



## Recommendation for Young Women in Public Affairs Award

**Please return this form by**                      March 28, 2009  
 Zonta club of                      Phoenix Area  
 c/o    Mary Z. Chandler  
 Address                                      7633 N. 9<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
 Postal Code, City                      Phoenix, AZ 85021  
 Fax    602-870-0915      Phone: 602-870-0858  
     E-mail: mzchandler3@gmail.com

**Applicant:**  
     Last (Family) Name    First    Middle

**Recommendation from:**  
     Name (please print)    Position/Title

**Recommendation for Applicant for Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award**

The applicant above has applied for a Zonta International Young Women in Public Affairs Award. Please discuss the applicant's accomplishments, motivation, potential for public service and awareness of women's and community issues. **This recommendation must be mailed directly to the address above.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

\_\_\_\_\_ Signature



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\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature



## Verification of Current Enrollment Young Women in Public Affairs Award

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### Name of School

I certify that \_\_\_\_\_ is currently enrolled in  
(name)

\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
(grade level) (name of school)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(school address)

Date

Signature of School Official

(Official School Stamp)