

# Who We Are And What We Do



The women that make up our international membership are adventurous, interesting, and find ways to *connect and contribute* to the community of Hong Kong every day.

- We are dedicated to enhancing the lives and experiences of our members by focusing on philanthropic endeavors, community service opportunities and social, informational and recreational activities.
- Fundraising events raise ~HK\$1 million annually with more than two-thirds distributed to Hong Kong charities and the balance granted to education and scholarship programs.

## Philanthropic Activities

The AWA typically supports programs and services that benefit:

- Children, the elderly and disabled;
- Women and families;
- Community activities; and
- Students and local schools.

Money distributed each year funds new projects, specialized equipment and address social challenges of the underprivileged in Hong Kong. Education and scholarship grants are awarded to students in need of financial assistance and school programs and equipment. Our contributions are typically made to smaller and lesser-known charities. Organizations that apply for funding grants are vetted through a comprehensive process that includes interviews and on-site visits. All funds raised funds raised, less direct expenses, are donated each year.

*A full list of grants distributed in 2014 is located on the AWA website under What We Do/Philanthropy.*

## Community Service

Volunteer activities provide members opportunities to give their time, engage in the community and give back to society. We support reading programs for the blind and help students practice their English and prepare for college interviews. Volunteers also help at soup kitchens and brighten birthdays for children with cancer. Those with business skills, can volunteer their time and help other non-profit organizations.

*A full list of community service opportunities is located on the AWA website under What We Do/Volunteer.*

## Activities

Social, recreational and informational programs are organized each month across a variety of interests. There are opportunities to learn more about Hong Kong and its history and organized tours across Asia. Recreational activities include sports for those who enjoy the outdoors and are both competitive and leisurely. Social activities include mahjong, book and language clubs, Moms and Tots and for working women, WOW. Members are encouraged to join, lead and start new clubs where they find common interests with other members.

*More information is available on the AWA website under Activities.*

## Fast Facts

Organization Focus	Philanthropic Community Service Activity-based
Membership	800+ representing nearly 35 countries Open to women of all nationalities
Founded	1956
Average Annual Community and Education Grants	~HK\$1 million
Contact Information	+852 2527 2961
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Financial Structure	Non-profit

## Member Demographics

