

Creating a Women's Political Network

“Women Defining Politics”

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- What Inspires You?
 - Example: State Dept. Roundtable
 - Example: Street Lights in Ukrainian Town

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- **Writing Your Mission Statement**
 - Every Organization Should be Guided by a Mission Statement
 - Example: WDN Mission Statement
 - Example: IRI Women's Program in Indonesia
 - Example: Democratic and Republican Party Platforms

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- Reaching Out to New Members
 - Membership Renewal is Ongoing, Ever Changing
 - Regular Political Party Meetings
 - Other Events
 - Mailings
 - Surrogate Communities

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- What Kind of Organization Do You Want?
 - Membership
 - Advisory Council
 - Secretariat
 - Volunteers

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- Moving from Planning to Action
 - Meetings
 - Training
 - Networking Opportunities
 - Empowerment: Success Stories!

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- Keeping Members Active
 - Example: WDN Country Captains
 - Committee Work

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- Keeping Network Members Informed
 - Example: WDN Enewsletter
 - Email Updates
 - Flyers and Handouts

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- **Effective Leadership**
 - Meetings 101
 - Review
 - Next Steps
 - Assignments
 - Lead with Your Strengths

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- When You Need More than Volunteers –
FUNDRAISING
 - Why people donate?
 - Why people do not donate?
 - Write a Plan
 - Thank **EVERYONE**