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NEW PROFIT MAKES A CHANGE!

We are thrilled to announce that New Profit has made a \$700,000 investment to help Girls For A Change build to scale and spread our social impact.



New Profit is a national venture philanthropy fund designed to provide the necessary resources for social entrepreneurs to achieve their visions. They provide multi-year financial and strategic support to a portfolio of organizations focused on a range of issues from childhood literacy and college access to workforce development and civic engagement. Uniting funding and intellectual capital from individual investors with a unique set of resources from the Monitor Group and other signature partners, they help social entrepreneurs meet the challenge of building organizations to scale their social impact.

For more information about New Profit Inc., go to their website at www.newprofit.com.

FIFTH FULL PROGRAM YEAR STARTS FOR GFC

Over 1,300 girls and 500 adult participants attended our annual kick-off event, the Girl Summit. Each girl took three workshops during the day to learn about her power as a social change agent.



GFC NETWORKING NIGHTS!

Girls For A Change wants to introduce you and your network to our amazing mission of empowering girls to create social change. We want you to come meet the girls who are changing your community and the staff and volunteers who are supporting these girls.

We want you to see that girls are our greatest untapped asset and they are changing the world!

Join us at any Networking Night to learn how you can help, get involved, and spread the word. Leave your checkbooks at home – these are not fundraising events.

[Click here for schedule.](#)

SPRING INTO ACTION: FOR ALL COACHES AND TEAMS

Spring Into Action is an event where girls will participate in skill-building workshops including public speaking, networking, and fundraising. There will also be a project planning session for teams during which New Girls' Network consultants will be available for assistance.

Spring Into Action is a very exciting day because it helps launch team projects into their next phase. It will be held on Saturday, February 3rd in San José.

GFC SEEKS SV EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

An Opportunity to Join the Movement:

GFC is seeking a full-time Executive Director (ED) to lead its Silicon Valley site. The Executive Director will report to the GFC National CEO team and be responsible for continuing the momentum of our first site in

Girls at a workshop during the 2006 Girl Summit in October.

We now have 45 Girl Action Teams operating throughout the Bay Area, with hundreds of girls and 100 coaches partnering together to impact their communities. Teams this year are addressing issues ranging from gang violence to water pollution to violence against women. Check out what these two teams are working on:

Team 12, East Palo Alto Charter School, is developing pregnancy prevention skits to perform in their school and other schools in their area.

Team 29, Mountain View High School, is creating a video exploring how the media impacts the way we think about girls and women to screen at schools.

GIRL ACTION TEAM 24 COACH SPOTLIGHT



Team 24 at one of their Girl Action Team meetings.

Angelique Abed and Teresa-Judith Bulygo are two first-year coaches for the Girl Action Team at Ranch Milipitas Middle School. They have been meeting with their team to decide on a issue for their project and will start project planning in the next few weeks. Great work ladies! They share some of their experiences below:

Angelique

"This has been an eye-opening experience. It's empowering to know that our young women are so willing and able to take on pertinent social issues that many are too apprehensive to even recognize and address.

I have an awesome co-coach. She has been my best-friend for almost 20 years and is a strong

Teresa

"Something I've learned is that the insightfulness of young women has definitely changed since I was in middle school. These girls are so perceptive when it comes to issues. I don't remember being so socially or politically aware when I was that age. They are free from naiveté, but still so optimistic, and this creates the perfect environment for social change!

the Bay Area. We are looking for someone who can embody the Girls For A Change culture and values and through visionary entrepreneurship help us to create a national movement for girl-led social change.

The Executive Director will be based in Santa Clara, CA and work with a local Advisory Board and National Board of Directors to fundraise, oversee program implementation, and maintain a strong infrastructure.

[Click here for more information.](#)

HELP GFC GROW: DEVELOPMENT SEEKS INTERN

The Girls For A Change development team is looking for support. Please email our National Director of Development, Emily LoSavio, at emily@girlsforachange.org if you are interested in interning or volunteering with the fundraising staff at GFC.

Interns should have at least 5-10 hours available per week for a period of 2-3 months or longer.

INHER CITY: BLOGGING FOR CHANGE



InHer City is a blog moderated by Girls For A Change. It is a place for girls and women to share, connect, and converse about social change and life in the InHer City.

Check out the following articles:

["Homeless Youth" by Lilly](#)
["4th Annual Girl Summit" by Whitney](#)
["Pondering College" by Lilly](#)
["MySelfEsteem" by Lilly](#)

Please email inhercity@girlsforachange.org if you are interested in submitting to the blog.

NEW AND CONTINUING SUPPORTERS

woman that I admire. It is these kinds of relationships and bonds that empower women to make social change.

Working with the girls is truly a magical experience. They are so full of energy and they have the confidence to take on anything. They are inspirational role models for those of us that may have forgotten just how powerful we, as women, could be!"

The most enriching aspect of working with these girls is that I get the pleasure of constantly being reminded that young women are so full of raw potential. These girls are so diverse, and they each have equally diverse interests and talents that they are crazy about. I love knowing that they will pursue these special gifts, and that by learning how to be active in social change, they will use these gifts to generate an incredibly positive energy in their communities."

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NATIONAL SEMICONDUCTOR CONTINUES EMPOWERING GIRLS

Girls For A Change wants to thank National Semiconductor (NSC) for its ongoing support to empower girls to reach their full potential and create powerful changes in Silicon Valley and around the country. NSC has been a supporter of Girls For A Change since the first Girl Summit in 2001. They have not only been a generous financial contributor but also continue to engage the amazing men and women employees of NSC in the GFC mission. We are truly honored to have them as our longest and truest corporate partner.



National Semiconductor is hosting a Girl Provider Round Table on February 13th from 7:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. The event is organized by GFC in partnership with two other girl-serving organizations, Techbridge and GAINS.

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