Safe Birth Even Here

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Zonta International

- Founded 1919 in Buffalo US
- 30 000 members in 66 countries
- Consultative status with ECOSOC and UNESCO
- Participatory status with Council of Europe
- Mission: Zonta International is a leading global organization of professionals empowering women through service and advocacy.
The dream for everyone
Birthing kits – Club Activities

Birthing kit assembly days to put together simple clean birthing kits that are sent to help birthing assistants in developing countries.
ZI International Service Project

• The Global Campaign to End Fistula launched in 2003 by UNFPA and partners

• ZI has been a major funder since 2008

• Focussed on Liberia

• ZI has contributed with a total of USD 2.6 million and will add USD 1 million 2016-2018
What is Fistula?

An obstetric fistula is a hole between the vagina and rectum or bladder that is caused by prolonged obstructed labor, leaving a woman incontinent of urine or feces or both (fistulafoundation.org)
Project activities

- Prevent
- Treat
- Rehabilitate
- Support
My reflections

Education

Early Marriages

Violence against women