

Health: Immunizations

Objective:

To increase immunization rates among preschool children.

Accomplishments:

Promoted Vaccines for Children (VFC) program

- Launched Childhood Immunization Initiative and secured passage of Vaccines for Children (VFC) program (1993)
- Participated in announcement by President of highest immunization rate ever-- 75% among children under 2-- and of year 2000 goals (1996)
- Visits to model immunization programs around the country
- Numerous speeches, book, column (7/22/97)

Worked on regulations to ensure that children in federally funded child care settings are properly immunized

Strengthened connection of immunization programs to WIC

Column on immunization (7/22/97)

Future Focus:

Announce Year 2000 immunization rates (expected to surpass 90% goal)

Continue to protect immunization funding and VFC program

Health: Physical Fitness and Nutrition

Objective:

To promote physical fitness and good nutrition.

Accomplishments:

- Launched Shape-Up America event at the White House (11/95)
- Video to American Dietetic Association Conference
- Leadership role in full funding of WIC

Future Focus:

Health: Tobacco

Objective:

To ensure passage of comprehensive tobacco legislation.

Accomplishments:

Support for comprehensive, national tobacco legislation

- Advocated for reform through speeches
- Meeting with tobacco advocates/ winners of Gleitsman Award, including Congressman Henry Waxman and Dr. C. Everett Koop (6/9/98)
- Column on Republican defeat of tobacco bill (6/24/98)
- Other Columns on smoking (7/16/96, 7/29/97, 7/98)

Campaigned for California's tobacco tax ballot initiative

Future Focus:

Continue to push for tobacco legislation

Continue to push for FDA regulatory authority over tobacco products

Health: Women's Health

Objective:

To continue to champion women's health issues.

Accomplishments:

Led Medicare Mammography campaign

- Launch of Medicare Mammography campaign (5/1/95)
- Medicare Mammography campaign PSA (10/2/97)
- Meetings with private sector partners
- Participated in annual Medicare Mammography campaign launch (1996-98)

Leadership in promoting research and awareness

- Helped to safeguard existing DOD investment in breast cancer research and imaging technology
- Visit to CIA to observe benefits of applying intelligence technology to breast cancer detection (7/14/95)
- Participated in Presidential radio address for Breast Cancer Awareness Month (10/97)
- Highlighted importance of proposal for no co-pay in Medicare Mammography annual benefit
- National Breast Cancer Coalition Event (3/4/98)
- Taped PSA for Take Time to Care Campaign to raise women's awareness of the importance of using medicine wisely (3/17/98)
- Dedication of breast cancer awareness stamp (7/29/98)
- Release of report on breast cancer advancements/ new announcements on research and prevention (10/21/98)
- Oberstar Lecture (1/28/99)
- Various columns (10/22/95, 12/30/95, 9/24/96, 7/29/98)

Future Focus:

Continue to monitor research funding for women's health, including DOD breast cancer research program

Play active role in supporting legislation prohibiting genetic discrimination

Continue work on Medicare Mammography campaign

Push for passage of longer mastectomy hospital stays

Women: Abortion & Family Planning

Objective:

To continue the Administration's efforts to improve family planning and to make abortion safe, legal and rare.

Accomplishments:

Events highlighting family planning, and decreasing abortion and teen pregnancy rates

- National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy event at White House (5/2/97)
- Call to action meeting with family planning and abortion rights advocates (1/20/98)
- Meeting with media executives at *People Magazine* Teen Pregnancy Luncheon (12/1/98)
- Atlanta Teen Pregnancy Video Address (2/5/99)
- NARAL 33rd Anniversary Celebration Speech (1/22/99)
- Column (1/29/97)

Leadership role in policy development

- Pushed for budget increases for family planning (1993- present)
- Supported legislation to require Federal Employee Health Benefits Program to cover prescription contraceptives (1998)
- Met with family planning advocates to announce FY2000 budget initiatives (1/22/99)

Future Focus:

Work with groups to change focus of abortion debate building on recent significant success in reducing teen pregnancy and abortion rates

Develop plan to improve safety for doctors and patients at clinics

Women: Domestic Violence

Objective:

To heighten awareness about domestic violence, work to prevent it, and effectively address it when it does occur.

Accomplishments:

- Advocated for creation of Violence Against Women Office at Justice (1994)
- Columns on domestic violence (10/6/96, 3/19/98)
- IDB Conference on domestic violence (10/20/97)
- Announcement of new initiative in Russia
- Release of report on new, lower domestic violence numbers at The Children's Assessment Center (3/16/98)
- Release of report on effectiveness of VAWA in Ohio (7/27/98)
- Vital Voices speech on Domestic Violence and the rights of women (8/29/98)
- Roundtable on Domestic Violence with Schumer (9/23/98)

Future Focus:

Pursue legislation on VAWA II (up for Reauthorization in 1999) and support for DOJ VAWA office

Continue leadership on domestic violence, making the connection to women's rights

Women: Women's Rights

Objective:

To continue to advance women's rights.

Accomplishments:

- Honorary Chair of President's Interagency Council on Women
- Event to celebrate 25th Anniversary of Title IX and release of Executive Memorandum (6/17/97)
- Event to celebrate 25th Anniversary of the Equal Pay Act (6/10/98)
- Dinner with women historians (7/9/98)
- Seneca Falls Speech (7/16/98)
- Columns: 75th Anniversary of Suffrage (8/27/95), challenges facing girls (2/27/96), feminine roles (3/12/96), Title IX (8/6/96), American woman in space (10/8/96), girls and Science (7/8/97)

Future Focus:

Continue strong public advocacy role on behalf of women in speeches, events and columns

Conceptualize families agenda as an issue of women's rights

Continue work on supporting single-sex education

Women: Working Women Count!

Objective:

To continue to bring the concerns of working women to the forefront of policy development for the Administration.

Accomplishments:

- Press Conference launch of "Working Women Count!" initiative (5/5/94)
- Roundtable discussion with working women in Atlanta, Santa Fe, Maryland and Pittsburgh (5/2, 5/26 and 9/12/94)
- Release of survey results with Vice President (10/14/94)
- "Working Women Count!" Campaign event at White House with President (4/10/95)
- Women's Bureau South Lawn celebration (5/19/95)
- *Working Mother Magazine* White House luncheon highlighting 1994 Roundtable participants (2/10/97)
- Columns (8/6/95, 2/11/97)

Future Focus:

Continue public events highlighting successful efforts

Work on improving pay equity

See "Children and Families" and "Economic Security" for additional actions

Youth: After- School Opportunities

Objective:

To promote effective programs that help children learn and keep them safe.

Accomplishments:

Events Highlighting After-School Programs

- Announcement of Mott Grant of \$50 million to after-school programs (1/26/98)
- Visit to Virtual Y Program In NYC (1/26/98)
- Visit to Chicago Lighthouse program, release of report on effective programs (4/24/98)
- Visit to DC Learning and Tennis program (9/18/98)
- White House Event to announce after school budget proposals (1/7/99)
- Chicago Afterschool Event (1/13/99)
- Column on organizing activities for youth (6/15/96)

Leadership in securing FY 99 budget of \$200 million for after-school programs

Future Focus:

Continue to press after-school programs as an effective way to address the time squeeze families are facing

Promote President's FY 2000 budget announcement of additional expansion

Youth: At Risk Youth

Objective:

To promote effective efforts to address the factors that are placing children and youth at risk of juvenile crime and delinquency.

Accomplishments:

Juvenile Justice and Prevention

- Column on school shootings (4/8/98)
- Boys and Girls Club event in NY City (4/14/98)
- White House Dinner on At-Risk Youth (8/3/98)
- Column on Juvenile Justice Legislation (10/8/98)
- Leader in advocating for juvenile justice legislation that doesn't harm children (Fall 1998)
- School Violence Conference- hosted three panels and lunch (10/15/98)
- Received award at NYC's Police Athletic League's Women of the Year luncheon (12/2/98)

Arts Education and At-Risk Youth

- Launched PCAH report *Coming Up Taller* on arts programs around the country geared toward at-risk youth (4/26/96)
- Visits programs for youth at risk at the Manchester Craftsman Guild in PA (6/7/96) and Gallery 37 in Chicago (8/27/96)
- Coming Up Taller Event (10/7/98)
- Columns: general (5/21/96), organizing activities for youth (6/15/96)

Hosted Children's Conferences to hear youth perspective on effective services for children

- Colorado Listens to Kids, Denver, CO (5/22/96)
- Youth Talk: A City Listens to Children (6/14/96)

Save the Children Mentoring Event (2/3/99)

Future Focus:

Lead nation on effective approaches to juvenile crime as we mark the 100th anniversary of the juvenile courts

Continue to promote effective preventive funding through the Safe and Drug Free Schools Reauthorization, the Safe Schools- Safe Communities Initiatives and through Department of Justice prevention programs (building on moderate Republican support for prevention)

Continue to promote comprehensive community-wide initiatives to address youth violence and delinquency as well as model strategies that incorporate both prevention and accountability

Focus on the problem of children and guns by working with parents and other groups (i.e.

Handgun Control)

Events that highlight the plight of at risk youth including:

- Hispanic Youth Roundtable (April/May)

Youth: National Service

Objective:

To promote an ethic of service by highlighting successful service programs, particularly service involving children and youth, and to raise awareness of AmeriCorps and expand its base of support

Accomplishments:

Events highlighting National Service

- New York AmeriCorps event (4/25/95)
- Senior Service event (6/17/96)
- National Service Summit in Philadelphia (4/27/97- 4/29/97)
- DC School- Service Learning event at Cordoza High School (4/97)
- Rhode Island City Year event (6/9/97)
- Learn & Grow child care initiatives
- MLK Day of Service Literacy Fair at MCI Center (1/19/98)
- Reauthorization Rally on Capitol Hill (3/19/98)
- Jumpstart Rally at Mazique Head Start Center, DC (6/18/98)
- AmeriCorps Alums Fundraiser (9/10/98)
- Columns: US relief workers overseas (2/3/96), Summit for America's Future (4/23/97), service in general (1/13/98 & 3/17/98), White House Volunteers (4/29/98)

Future Focus:

Possible action and support of National Service Reauthorization

Activities to raise awareness of AmeriCorps in conjunction with 5th Anniversary

Advocate for the doubling of AmeriCorps

Other: District of Columbia Initiatives

Objective:

To apply energy and expertise to the national issues facing women, children and families in Washington DC, with social focus on education, economic opportunity and development, cultural initiatives and adoption.

Accomplishments:

Key Administration Voice on the District

Leadership on DC School and Children Initiatives

- Launched DC Prescription for Reading program at Georgetown (2/97)
- Visited WIN after school program at J.O. Wilson Elementary School (5/97)
- Participated in youth violence prevention program at Jefferson JHS (5/16/97)
- Spoke at Washington Lawyer's Lunch to urge DC Lawyers to engage themselves in DC schools (6/10/97)
- Wrote to DC Law Firms challenging them to assist in DC schools (Spring 97)
- Visited Cleveland Elementary School with POTUS re: literacy (Spring 97)
- Spoke at Banneker HS Commencement (6/13/97)
- Spoke at Alice Deal JHS (6/9/95)
- Spoke at Duke Ellington HS commencements (6/15/94)
- Pushed service learning schools- Cordozo High School
- Hippy graduation to highlight progress and importance to low income parents
- Announced Connie Lee Grant for school renovation
- Announced federal grants for district wide school renovation at Malcolm X Elementary (3/3/97)
- Meeting to discuss General Becton's strategic plan for DC schools (3/3/97)
- Promotion of math and science education with Tom Hanks and Eileen O'Connor, NASA's first woman shuttle commander (3/5/98)
- Championed Mother Teresa Home for Infants and Toddlers, participated in opening with Mother Teresa (1995), columns (7/30/95 & 9/9/97)
- Meeting with Arlene Ackerman on DC schools/ charter schools (6/23/98)
- DC Charter School Conference at the Indian Treaty Room (8/4/98)
- Helped strengthen DC adoption system by hosting DC Adoption Day at the White House (11/24/98)
- Column (2/19/97)

Leader on Revitalization Efforts

- Announcement of President's FY 99 budget with Secretaries Rubin and Slater and Director Raines (1/29/98)
- Speech to DC Cares Event, summit on business philanthropy, and announced federal support for Summer Stars, the DC Summer School program (4/7/98)

- Meeting with Control Board (8/5/98)
- Spoke at WIN and convened major stakeholders (Fall 1998)
- Highlighted FINCA's microcredit bank
- Announced HUD Community Development Grant (2/19/96)
- Convened meeting with leaders of downtown redevelopment projects
- Arts summit on downtown revitalization
- Meeting with mayor elect and congressional leaders

Future Focus:

Continue support for Administration's proposal for DC's budget
Continue to build support for reforms of DC's public and public charter schools
Support efforts to create a Music Museum
Support efforts for downtown revitalization
Support of newly elected mayor and city officials

Other: Race Relations

Objective:

To help promote the President's vision of One America, by reaching out to all Americans and to support the President's Initiative on Race.

Accomplishments:

- Delivered Commencement Address at Ohio University with focus on the race initiative (6/97)
- Spoke at National Council of La Raza (7/20/98)
- Team Harmony Events (5/28/98, 12/9/98)
- First Lady represented on WH Race working group
- Column on African Americans (3/18/97)

Future Focus:

Trip to Native American Reservations and to Appalachia
Monitor the development/ release of Race Initiative final report
Hispanic Youth Roundtable (also under At Risk Youth)

Goodwill Ambassador for the United States

Objective:

To continue to visit foreign countries advocating for human rights and investments in tools and opportunity with special focus on women, children, and families, and building a civil society. Highlights USAID programs.

Accomplishments:

COUNTRIES VISITED

- 1993- South Korea
- 1994- Russia, Norway, France, Germany, Poland, Latvia, Italy, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, UK, Philippines, Indonesia
- 1995- Pakistan, Nepal, India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Denmark, Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Nova Scotia, Canada, Guam, China, Mongolia, Japan, Chile, Paraguay, Brazil, Nicaragua, Germany, Spain, UK, Ireland, Northern Ireland
- 1996- Greece, Turkey, Republic of Korea, Japan, France, Romania, Estonia, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Finland, Poland, Czech Republic, Slovak Republic, Hungary, Thailand, Australia, Philippines, Bolivia
- 1997- Netherlands, England, Eritrea, Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Senegal, South Africa, Uganda, Mexico, Barbados, Costa Rica, Spain, Austria, Portugal, Panama, Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Russia, Ukraine, England, India, Ireland and Northern Ireland
- 1998- Chile, Uruguay, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Russia, Northern Ireland, Ireland, China, France, Switzerland, England, South Africa, Senegal, Ghana, Uganda, Rwanda, Nicaragua, Honduras, Haiti, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Israel, Palestine Region
- 1999- Jordan, Holland (the Hague), Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco
- Columns on various trips (9/16/95, 11/26/95, 4/2/96, 7/9/96, 12/16/98, 2/10/99)

Columns advocating foreign aid (9/10/96) and work of UN (9/10/96)

Future Focus:

State Visit and APEC Summit with POTUS in New Zealand (9/99)

State Visit with POTUS to England (2000) and ABA event

OSCE Summit in Turkey with trips to Greece and Bulgaria with POTUS

US- EU Summit in Bonn, Germany (6/99) with stops in France and Slovenia with POTUS

USAID Conference on best practice for NGOs from emerging democracies, Berlin (5/99 T)

World Bank convening on culture and development in Rome (T 10/99)

London School of Economics HRC Human Rights Center Opening, England (tba 2000)

NATO Summit Meeting (April)

Building Democracy and Civil Society/ Rule of Law

Objective:

To promote the successes of a democratic society by sharing the tools and structure of opportunity with young democratic countries.

Accomplishments:

- Voice for democracy and the building of civil societies around the world, stress the importance of NGO's
- Articulated the "Alliance of Value," Prague (95)
- During trip to Eastern Europe focused on the importance of building a civil society (95)
- Address to World Economic Conference on civil society, Davos (2/98)
- Met with representatives of free Serbian press (9/98)
- Addressed the Forum 2000 Conference in Prague (10/98)
- Columns: Mongolia (9/16/95), South Asia (11/26/95), Ireland (12/9/95 & 4/15/98), Central Europe I (7/2/96), Central Europe II (7/9/96), Seeds of Peace Program (9/3/96), Africa (3/18/97), Marshall Plan (5/27/97), Former Soviet Union (11/25/97)

Future Focus:

Series of initiatives to support civil society and emerging democracies
White House Conference/ Millennium on building a civil society (2000T)
Warsaw USAID Conference- best practices (5/99 T)

Convention on the Rights of the Child/ CEDAW

Objective:

To support the initiative established in the convention on the rights of the child and CEDAW.

Accomplishments:

- Planned and hosted several human rights events at the White House with POTUS
- Speech in Thailand (96)
- Announced the US signing of CRC at Jim Grant's memorial service
- Speech in Uganda on children's rights (mo/98)
- Eleanor Roosevelt Lecture (12/4/98)
- Column on CRC (12/9/98)

Future Focus:

Worked to strengthen Administration's campaign for CEDAW and CRC ratification
Human Rights Day speech on children's human rights (12/98)

Family Planning/ Reproductive Health

Objective:

Accomplishments:

- Visited reproductive and family planning centers/ programs around the world including those in Bolivia, Mexico, Brazil, Tanzania, Russia, NIS
- Stimulated foundation support for family planning in Haiti, announcement (11/98)
- Address to International Conference on Population and Development + 5 (2/7/99)
- Keynote to UN Population Forum (2/9/99)
- Key participant in White House international family planning policy discussions
- Highlight importance of family planning for better health and reduction of abortions
- Column (2/10/99)

Future Focus:

Haiti

Girls Education

Objective:

Accomplishments:

- Announcement of USAID grants for girl's education in foreign visits
- Promoted girl's education at events in India, Pakistan, Uganda, China
- Keynoted USAID Girls Education Conference (5/98)

Future Focus:

Continue to promote girls education in travel and speeches

Health Care

Objective:

To promote the importance of international health care with a special focus on family planning, international family plans and hospital partnerships.

Accomplishments:

- Convened discussion at White House with Mrs. Yelstin on state of health care in Russia (96)
- Spearheaded Latvia Hospital Partnership/ held event in the White House (6/28/95)
- Participated in Bosnia Landmine and Hospital Partnership event in the White House (1/26/96)
- Commemorated Chernobyl Anniversary and commitment of assistance, column (4/30/96)
- Launched the humanitarian airlift of hospital supplies to the Soviet Union- 500th Airlift (6/17/97)
- Facilitated delivery of health supplies to Ukraine, follow up meetings to deal with the health crisis (11/97)
- Visited hospital partnerships programs in NIS & Eastern Europe
- Convened WH meeting on malaria which led to African initiatives (3/98)
- Keynoted Safe Motherhood Conference at the World Bank (4/98)
- PAHO Speech in Chile (4/98)
- Keynoted WHO conference in Geneva (5/98)
- Announced CDC partnership with Chinese Ministry of Health (6/98)
- Convened major international funders of TB treatment for a White House meeting on the urgent TB crisis in Russia and beyond (10/98)
- Worked to raise awareness of FGM through events in Senegal
- Column on 50th Anniversary of WHO

Future Focus:

Leadership on possible new, coordinated efforts on TB through WHO
USAID Vitamin A Meeting

Human Rights

Objective:

Accomplishments:

- Participated in UN Conference on Social Development (3/95)
- Human Rights Speech to UN on 50th Anniversary of the Declaration of Human Rights (12/10/97)
- Highlighted rule of law in China (7/98)
- Round table with genocide victims in Uganda (3/97), Rwanda (3/97), and Bosnia
- Meeting in Arusha to promote work of International Court on War Crimes
- Human Rights Day Event (12/10/98)
- Private Meeting with International Court Tribunal- Yugoslavia (2/7/99)

Future Focus:

International Engagement

Objective:

Accomplishments:

- UNICEF 50th Anniversary speech (1/98)
- Center for National Policy- receive Ed Muskie award (9/98)
- Foreign Policy Association Speech (10/98)
- Hosted WH event to promote Bradley scholars and international exchanges
- Slide presentations on Africa, Central and Eastern Europe, South Asia, Latin America and NIS trips to reach out to ethnic and foreign affairs community
- InterAction speech (96)
- Met with Carnegie Commission on Conflict Resolution
- Speech at Council on Foreign Policy (96)
- Convened White House Meeting on expanding public support for international engagement (9/98)

Future Focus:

International Engagement Speech to Women Audiences (Spring)

Microenterprise

Objective:

To promote understanding of the significance of small loans to empower women and families around the world.

Accomplishments:

- UN Fourth World Conference on Women, remarks on microcredit panel (9/4/95- 9/15/95)
- Honorary Chair and keynote speaker at International Microcredit Summit (1997)
- Visited Microenterprise projects around the world including India (5/95), Bangladesh (5/95), Chile (10/95), Nicaragua (7/96), Bolivia (12/96), Uganda (4/97), Mexico (5/97), Costa Rica and Barbados (5/97), Venezuela (10/97), visit to Chica Reforestation project/women's cooperative in Panama (10/97), Uzbekistan (11/97), Kyrgyzstan (11/97), Central Asia (98)
- Did WH Press Round table (10/13/97)
- Announcement of USAID grant recipients at Women's Empowerment Center, Beach Camp (12/14/98)
- 1998 Microenterprise Awards with POTUS (2/5/99)
- Assorted Columns: Bolivia (12/3/96), Latin America (5/13/97), Africa (3/18/97), microcredit (2/4/97)

Future Focus:

Highlight microcredit programs in future travel plans

Peace Corps

Objective:

Accomplishments:

- Met with volunteers/ held events in Bolivia (10/96), Chile (4/98), Paraguay, Tanzania, Kyrgystan, Uganda, Ghana, Nepal, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan
- Helped to bring winter clothing to an orphanage project in the Kyrgyz Republic
- Facilitated the delivery of books to a Volunteer project in Mongolia
- Met with a group of trainees on their first day in China
- Swore in volunteers in Panama
- Helped send new Peace Corps contingency to Jordan
- Participated in national headquarters building dedication ceremony (10/98)

Future Focus:

Religious Freedom

Objective:

Accomplishments:

- Muslim event in Los Angeles (4/96)
- Speeches in Turkey (3/96) and Uzbekistan (11/97) on religious tolerance
- Ramadan events at the White House (1/97, 1/98, 1/99), column (2/22/96)
- Visited synagogues in China, Ukraine and Uzbekistan to highlight freedom of religion
- Met with US Commission on Human Rights and Religious Tolerance (97)

Future Focus:

“Third Way”/ Progressive Politics

Objective:

Accomplishments:

- Planned and attended Chequers I (11/97) and Chequers II (5/98) and convened meeting at White House
- Planned and spoke at NYU Law School Conference (9/98)

Future Focus:

Western Hemisphere Initiatives

Objective:

To work towards the goals of the Summit of the Americas on issues effecting women and children, particularly through work with the First Ladies of the region.

Accomplishments:

- Hosted the Symposium on Children of the Americas at the Miami Summit of the Americas to convene the First Ladies of the Western Hemisphere to work on reaching the Summit's goals for children (12/10/94)
- Launched Pan American Health Organization measles elimination campaign and announced new USAID assistance to the campaign (4/7/95)
- Paraguay First Ladies Conference: helped to set agenda on maternal mortality reduction, measles elimination and education reform, and announced new USAID initiative on education (Asuncion, 10/16/95)
- Broke down barriers to US adoption of Paraguayan children through direct intervention with Mrs. Wasmosy, First Lady of Paraguay (12/95)
- Bolivia First Ladies Conference: gave keynote and announced new US funded hemispheric partnership to reduce maternal mortality (La Paz, 12/3/96)
- Hosted roundtable with Sec. Albright with the Inter-American Institute on Human Rights (Costa Rica, 5/8/97)
- Panama first Ladies Conference: gave remarks on women's political participation and human rights, and announced a new USAID grant to the Inter-American Institute on Human Rights (Panama City, 10/8- 10/9/97)
- Chile First Ladies Conference: gave remarks on the importance of women's participation and civil society building, and announced new USAID grants to support local governments in Latin America and a new scholarship program (Santiago, 9/30/98)
- Keynoted Latin America Vital Voices Conference in Montevideo, Uruguay (11/1/98)
- PAHO speech in Chile (98)
- Addressed issues in columns (10/15/95, 12/3/96, 5/13/97, 10/14/97, 10/15/98)

Future Focus:

First Ladies Conference hosted by Canada and give an address on the vision for the women and children's agenda in the hemisphere in the 21st Century

Women, Children & Families

Objective:

To highlight the critical importance of investments in human capital, especially women's human rights and social development, and investments in women and girls.

Accomplishments:

- Led planning efforts for, attended, and keynote speaker at UN Fourth Conference on Women in Beijing (9/14/95)
- Honorary Chair of the US Delegation to the Fourth World Conference on Women
- Chair President's Interagency Council on Women
- Raised issues and participated in events relating to women's health, domestic violence, educational opportunities, credit and human rights in travels around the world
- Keynote at Vital Voices Conference in Vienna (6/95), Philippine Women's event (11/96), Women's Conference in Almaty, Kazakhstan (11/97), Montevideo (10/98), Belfast (9/98)
- Addressed international Microenterprise Summit (1997)
- Initiated efforts to battle trafficking in Ukraine and Russia (3/97)
- Initiated efforts to deal with Taliban constraints on women in Afghanistan (3/97)
- Annual implementation and participation in International Women's Day events, column (3/10/98)
- Addressed "Women in the 21st Century" Conference in Bulgaria (10/98)
- Highlighted the problem of street children in Bulgaria (10/98) and Brazil (10/95)
- Speech and roundtable in China (7/98)
- Drop by at Northern Ireland Political Opportunity for Women Event (1/22/99)
- Meeting with Vital Voices Participants in Meridia, Mexico (2/15/99)
- Columns: Beijing (9/3/95, 9/9/95, 10/1/96), Children in Bosnia (10/21/96), Ireland (12/9/95, 11/4/97), Australia (11/19/96), Thailand (11/26/96), Bolivia (12/3/96), Vital Voices Central Europe (7/15/97), Africa (4/2/97), Latin America (5/13/97), Panama (10/14/97), Universal Declaration of Human Rights (12/9/97), Children in Sudan (3/24/98), Africa (4/1/98), China (7/1/98)

Future Focus:

Continue to promote women's rights around the globe

Vital Voices Conference for the women of the Baltics (Baltics prefer 10/99), Africa (Cape Town, 1999), Asia (South KoreaT)

Special Session of UN for Beijing Plus 5 (6/00)

Hearing Children's Voices Conference with Cherie Blair in England (T)

Middle East Travel to highlight women's issues

Mrs. Blair Child Abuse Conference (May)

International Child Abduction Event (April)

International Women's Day Event (March)

Arts Education & At Risk Youth

Objective:

To highlight the importance of the arts and humanities to education and at risk youth.

Accomplishments:

- Visited programs for youth at risk at the Manchester Craftsman Guild in PA (6/7/96) and Gallery 37 in Chicago (8/20/96)
- Launched PCAH report *Coming Up Taller* on arts programs around the country geared towards at-risk youth (4/26/96), new awards event at White House (10/98)
- Speech at Martin Luther King Jr. Library CD-Rom event (4/98)
- Poetry Slam at Johnson Junior High (4/98)
- Chicago School Principal's Luncheon (6/98)
- Scholastic Tea at White House (6/98)
- Hosted Arts Education Call to Action event at the White House (9/98)
- VH-1 *Save the Music* Art education event at the Marie Reed School (9/17/98)
- Taped video for announcement of NAEP Report (11/10/98)
- Column (5/21/96)

Future Focus:

Continue to highlight effective arts and humanities programs for youth at risk

Leadership PCAH, NEA, NEH, IMLS

Objective:

To continue to provide leadership on the federal role in the arts and humanities, promote national recognition of the arts and humanities, and advocate for continued funding and support of the NEA, the NEH and the IMLS.

Accomplishments:

- White House's leading spokesperson on arts and humanities
- Chief White House liaison with Arts and Humanities Endowment and PCAH on all relevant matters
- Supported through participation, events, and White House leadership, major cultural institutions and their programs: National Gallery, NSO, Kennedy Center, Carnegie Hall, the Metropolitan, Library of Congress
- Event at State Department to mark Jefferson's Birthday (1994)
- Presented the National Award for Museum Services (yearlong)
- Hosted National Heritage Awards ceremony at the White House (9/27/95- 10/98)
- Speech at Metropolitan Museum of Art (6/95)
- Hosted Presidential Design Awards with the President to honor the best in federal design and construction (95)
- Convened meetings with cultural leaders on meeting ongoing national cultural needs (10/96, 10/97)
- Participated in transmittal of *Creative America* to the President in a press conference (1/97)
- Oversee MOA/MOH awards, ceremony and dinner at White House (annual)
- Hosted annual event to honor Nobel laureates
- Arts and Humanities Month Proclamation (annual)
- NYT Op-ed about the importance of public support for the arts
- Worked to save USIA's International Arts Exchange program from elimination
- Speech at the National First Ladies Library Website event (2/98)
- Hosted WETA events at White House
- Speech at Decatur House event for First National Dallas Women's Museum (3/98)
- Speech at University of Michigan on centrality of arts and implications in public policy (4/98)
- Supported and hosted FAPE events at White House
- Speech at Living Arts Downtown event to promote downtown DC revitalization with emphasis on cultural complex (5/98)
- Speech at American Ballet Theater Spring Gala (5/98)
- Announced Sara Lee donation of corporate arts collection in Chicago (6/98)
- Hosted Pritzker Prize Ceremony for architecture at White House (6/98)
- Hosted Marine Band's 200th Birthday event at White House (7/98)
- Column on Arts and Humanities Month (9/30/97)

Future Focus:

Continue to lead on all cultural initiatives at the White House
Explore new funding streams for the arts



Millennium Project

Objective:

To issue a call to the nation to honor the past and imagine the future leading up to the turn of the century and the new millennium.

Accomplishments:

Leadership in Welcoming the Millennium

- Convened first millennium working group meeting (6/97)
- Announcement of Millennium Project at National Archives (8/15/97)
- Millennium themes in HRC speeches
- Leadership and formation of inter-agency group and WH office
- Columns: Initiative (2/25/97), Yellowstone (8/19/97), White House (1/20/98), Treasures (1/27/98, 6/17/98, 7/15/98), Millennium Council (2/17/98, 12/30/98)

Millennium Evenings

- Bernard Bailyn, "The Living Past- Commitments for the Future" (2/98)
- Stephen Hawking, "Imagination and Change: Science in the Next Millennium" (3/98)
- Robert Pinsky and Pets Laureate, "Celebration of American Creativity through Poetry" (4/98)
- Wynton Marsalis and Marian McPartland, "Jazz: An Expression of Democracy" (9/98)
- Martin Marty and Natalie Davais, "The Meaning of the Millennium" (1/25/99)

Save America's Treasures & Treasures Tour

- Announcement of Trust's private Committee to Save America's Treasure and acceptance of honorary chair (5/98)
- Monacacy Aqueduct event to announce 1998 11 Most Endangered List (6/98)
- Opening of Thoreau Institute at Walden Woods (6/98)
- Montpelier event and gift announcement (7/98)
- Visited DC, Maryland, New Jersey, Mass and New York (7/98)
- Visited Boston, New York, San Francisco and Los Angeles (12/98)
- Announcement event issuing Dolley Madison Commemorative Coin (1/11/99)
- Planning meeting with President of National Trust for Historic Preservation and Save America's Treasures Administrators (1/99)

Preservation Efforts

- \$30M Appropriation for Save America's Treasure Program
- African Meeting House (\$40,000)
- Louis Armstrong House and Archives (\$134,000)
- Getty: Breed Street Shul (\$15,000)
- Conservatory of Flowers (6,523,000)
- Individual Gift: Ganondagan State Park (\$20,000)

- Getty: Grants for Preservation Planning (\$1,085,000)
- Polo Ralph Lauren: Public Awareness Campaign (\$3 mill)
- Polo Ralph Lauren: Star Spangled Banner (\$10 mill)
- Pew Foundation: Star Spangled Banner (\$5 mill)
- GE: Edison Invention Factory (\$5 mill)
- Individual Gift: Harriet Tubman (\$10,000)
- Individual Gift: Ganondagan State Park (\$20,000)
- Target: Baltimore Monument (\$925,000)
- Target: Save Outdoor Sculpture! (\$925,000)
- NEA: Save Outdoor Sculpture! (\$500,000)
- NEA: Baltimore Monument (\$500,000)
- Individual Gift: M'Clintock House (\$10,000)
- Individual Gift: The Mount (\$100,000)
- Norman Lear: Papers of Founding Fathers (\$1 mill)
- Longellow House (\$305,000)
- Edith Wharton (\$90,000)
- Proceeds coming from Warner Brothers CD and Dolley Madison Commemorative Coin

Millennium Trails

- Announcement of program and partnership with Department of Transportation at B&A Trail (10/5/98)
- Secretary Slater announced \$4 mill in Millennium Trail Grants (11/9/98)

The MARS Project

- Announced Department of Education's Millennium project with NASA, Getty, M&M Mars and other partners at Air and Space Museum (1/14/99)

Millennium Communities

- Announced national program to encourage communities to "Honor the Past- Imagine the Future" at US Conference of Mayors (1/29/99)
- Introduced WHMC Community Handbook (1/99)

Turn of the Century New Year's Celebration

- Began discussion with Stephen Spielberg, Quincy Jones, Jeffrey Katzenburg
- Began planning Mall, Gala, and House events

International Reception for Commissioner General for Expos 2000 (10/98)

Future Focus:

1997- 2001: Host WH events that set the theme and inspire state and local activity

Develop a national project involving communities, families and children

Approve long term strategy (including schedule of topics and dates) for Millennium Evenings in 1999 & 2000

Save America's Treasures

- Explore major preservation proposals
- Continue to visit sites to raise awareness of the importance of preservation
- Continue to announce private donations for preservation projects
- Continue to serve as Chair of private committee
- Plan next Treasures Tour

Millennium Trails

- Participate in two cultivation events with trail advocates
- Announce 52 (state) Millennium Legacy Trails (6/99)
- Periodic announcements of National Millennium Trails (10)

My History is America's History project

- Announce partnership with NEH on oral history project (3/99)
- Support *Seventeen Magazine* contest on family histories

Promote Millennium logo

Inaugurate Millennium youth initiative

Further develop and plan for White House Conference on National Exchanges on Philanthropy

Host White House Conference on Building Civil Society

Participate in Column topic development

December 99: Host National celebration at turn of the century to include series of events in DC, on Mall, and at the White House

President's Park and Pennsylvania Avenue Plan

Objective:

To provide White House voice in the planning and implementation of improvements to the President's Park and the plan to close Pennsylvania Avenue.

Accomplishments:

- Convened members of the Park Service and Treasury for discussion on the President's Park (4/97)

Future Focus:

Monitor the development of the Comprehensive Plan and the Pennsylvania Park

White House Stewardship

Objective:

To continue to create national awareness of the importance of preservation, and to continue to bring new acquisitions and improvements to the White House and the permanent collection.

Accomplishments:

- Brought White House endowment to \$25 mill goal through NYC and LA Fundraisers (1/98)
- Created 20th Century American Sculpture exhibits in the First Lady's Garden; seven exhibits through 1998
- Acquired the Tanner and O'Keefe paintings for White House permanent collection and held events marking significance of acquisitions
- With the Historical Society, refurbished rooms and items in the White House (redecorated the Blue Room, East Room, State Dining Room)
- Promoted WH Historical Society CD Rom
- Column on Tanner acquisition (10/29/96)

Future Focus:

Science & Explorers evening "Presented at the President's House," WH and the Arts

First Lady Website Links

Helping Parents Balance Work and Families

Child Care

www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ccb

The Child Care Bureau/Administration for Children and Families/HHS

-there is a direct link to the national child care information center from here

After-School Programs

www.ed.gov/offices/OERI/21stCCLC/

21st Century Community Learning Centers/Dept of Ed

Family and Medical Leave

www.dol.gov/elaws/fmla.htm

FMLA/Wage and Hour Division/Dept of Labor

Long-Term Care

www.aoa.dhhs.gov

Administration on Aging/HHS

Addressing the Needs of Children and Youth

Early Childhood Development

www2.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/hsb

Head Start Bureau/HHS

www.ed.gov/offices/OERI/ECI/index.html

National Institute on Early Childhood Development and Education/OERI/Dept of Ed

Foster Care and Adoption

www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/cb/

Children's Bureau/Administration for Children and Families/HHS

Youth Issues

<http://ojjdp.ncjrs.org/>

Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquent Prevention/Justice Dept

www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/fysb/

Family and Youth Service Bureau/Admin for Children and Families/HHS

National Service

www.cns.gov

Corporation for National Service

Strengthening Public Education

School Improvement

www.ed.gov/offices/OESE/compreform/index.html

Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration Program/USDept of Ed

Charter Schools

www.uscharterschools.org

Site Developed *with* Dept of Ed/direct link from Dept Ed "charter school" index website

Teacher Quality

www.ed.gov/inits/teachers/teach/html

Teachers Web Page/Dept of Ed

Education Standards

www.ed.gov/inits.html

"National Ed Goals" Link/Dept of Ed

Improving Health Care for All Americans

Health Care Reform

www.ahcpr.gov/about

Agency for Health Care Policy and Research/HHS

www.hrsa.dhhs.gov

Health Resources and Services Administration/HHS

Children's Health

www.hcfa.gov/init/children.htm

CHIP

Medicare/Medicaid

www.hcfa.gov

Health Care Finance Administration

Women's Health

-couldn't find anything really great

AIDS

-couldn't find anything great, still searching for WH AIDS Policy Council

Disease Prevention and Research

www.nih.gov

National Institutes for Health

www.cdc.gov

Center for Disease Control

Advancing Women's Economic Security

Microcredit

www.ustreas.gov/cdfi/

Community Development Financial Institutions Fund/US Treasury

www.sba.gov/womeninbusiness/

Small Business Administration

Social Security

www.ssa.gov

Social Security Administration

Legal Services

www.lsc.gov

Legal Services Corporation

Women's Economic Security

www.dol.gov/dol//wb

Women's Bureau at Labor

www.ustreas.gov

US Treasury

International Links

none yet

Supporting the Arts

www.neh.gov

National Endowment for the Humanities

www.arts.endow.gov/

National Endowment for the Arts

Celebrating the Millennium

To: Maryellen
Fr: Nicole

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AT WORK ON ISSUES

INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH STAYS "AS IS" TILL FUTURE EDIT

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Learn more about these issues and other issues that are of special interest to me:

Helping Parents Balance Work and Family

CHILD CARE, AFTER SCHOOL CARE, FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE, LONG TERM CARE

Addressing the Needs of America's Children and Youth

EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT, FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION, YOUTH ISSUES, NATIONAL SERVICE

Strengthening America's Public Schools

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT, CHARTER SCHOOLS, TEACHER QUALITY, EDUCATION STANDARDS, COMMENCEMENT ADDRESSES

Improving Health Care for all Americans

HEALTH CARE REFORM, CHILDREN'S HEALTH, MEDICARE/MEDICAID, WOMEN'S HEALTH, AIDS, DISEASE PREVENTION

Advancing Women's Economic Security

MICROCREDIT, SOCIAL SECURITY, LEGAL SERVICES, WOMEN'S ECONOMIC SECURITY

Promoting

Advancing Democracy, Civil Society, and Women's Full Participation Around the World

HUMAN RIGHTS, CIVIL SOCIETY, WOMEN AS CITIZENS, WOMEN'S HEALTH, GIRLS EDUCATION, MICROCREDIT, U.S. ENGAGEMENT

Supporting the Arts

Celebrating the Millennium

Helping Parents Balance Work and Families

Mrs. Clinton believes that today more than ever, parents need support in their efforts to balance their responsibilities at home and at work. From quality child care and after-school programs to long-term care assistance, the First Lady's agenda is to help Americans who work outside the home, care for their families.

The First lady has worked tirelessly to make child care better, safer, and more affordable for America's working families and to ensure that children enter school ready to learn. She chaired the *White House Conference on Child Care*, which led to the Administration's proposal for substantial new investments in child care. In addition, Mrs. Clinton has championed significant new investments in after-school programs. Recognizing that many Americans find themselves responsible for the care of elderly or disabled relatives, Mrs. Clinton has pressed for policies to meet long-term care needs of families.

Mrs. Clinton was a major proponent of the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, which has enabled millions of Americans to take job-protected leave following the birth or adoption of child, or for the care of a sick relative. She has also advocated for expanding the law to cover millions of additional workers and supports providing tax credits to parents who stay home with their newborns or newly adopted children.

For more information on specific family issues, please click below:

- Child Care
- Afterschool Care Programs
- Family and Medical Leave
- Long Term Care

where children can learn and be safe in the hours after-school hours.

Budget

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Child Care HHS site

- Remarks at the Redbook Magazine "Mothers and Shakers of 1998" Awards Ceremony (6/2/98)
- Column on Child Care (4/22/98)
- Remarks at Child Care Announcement (1/8/98)
- Remarks by the President and First Lady at the White House Conference on Child Care (10/23/97)
- Remarks on Child Care at University of Maryland (10/3/97)

Afterschool Care 21st Cent. 011

- Column on Afterschool Care Programs (11/18/98)

Family and Medical Leave DOL site

- Column on the Family and Medical Leave Act (8/5/98)

Long-Term Care HHS site

- Column on Long Term Care (1/6/99)

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Addressing the Needs of Children and Youth

to support

Mrs. Clinton has long believed that while parents have the primary responsibility for raising their children, we all have a role in helping them to achieve their full potential. She has used her voice as First Lady to challenge all Americans to recognize and meet ~~our~~ ^{their} responsibility to America's children, particularly those who are most vulnerable.

For example, as the Administration's chief advocate on foster care and adoption, Mrs. Clinton has advocated for the nearly 500,000 children who live in foster care because of abuse or neglect. She has promoted adoption of children living in foster care and worked for the passage of landmark legislation, the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997, which reformed our nation's child welfare system to put children's health and safety first.

Mrs. Clinton has taken a special interest in educating Americans about the importance of children's earliest experiences to their later development and success. In 1997, she hosted the *White House Conference on Early Childhood Development and Learning: What New Research on the Brain Tells Us About Our Youngest Children*. She has worked for Head Start expansion and quality improvements and successfully advocated for increased funding for programs serving young children. In 1997, she launched the Prescription for Reading partnership, a growing effort in which pediatricians "prescribe" reading to new parents as an activity that will enhance their children's development.

Mrs. Clinton has also focused her attention on our nation's youth, encouraging the development of positive opportunities for young people and ways to help them avoid substance abuse, teen pregnancy and delinquency. She helped to launch the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy and hosted the *White House Conference on School Safety* in 1998. She also helped to create and promote AmeriCorps, in which young people perform a year of national service in exchange for money for college.

For more information on specific Youth issues, please click below:

- Early Childhood Development Ed / HHS web site
- Foster Care and Adoption HHS ACF web site
- Youth Issues OJJDP / HHS web site
- National Service

web site web site

no HHS

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Early Childhood Development

-Remarks at Child Development Event (1/10/97)

Foster Care and Adoption

-Remarks at National Adoption Month Event (11/24/98)

-Remarks at Destination Future 98 (9/11/98)

-Remarks by the President and First Lady at Adoption Bill Signing (11/19/97)

-Column on National Adoption Day (11/25/98)

Youth Issues

-Column on Juvenile Crime (10/7/98)

-Column on Children and Violence (4/8/98)

-Remarks at National Conference on Youth Violence (8/15/94)

National Service

-Column on National Service (3/17/98)

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Strengthening Public Education

The First Lady believes that the availability of high quality public education is key to ensuring that all children have the opportunity to succeed. In the new economy, where earning potential depends on educational achievement, ensuring our children are meeting world-class standards is critical to their future and that of the nation.

For over twenty years, Mrs. Clinton has worked to improve our public schools. Before she came to the White House, she served as chair of the Arkansas Education Standards Committee, the recommendations of which led to substantial reform of Arkansas' public schools.

As First Lady, Mrs. Clinton has worked on a variety of education reform initiatives designed to improve the quality of education our children receive, including the improvement of teacher quality, increasing academic standards, and efforts to ensure that children are mastering the basics. She has been a supporter of charter schools and a strong advocate for early childhood education to prepare children for school success.

For more information on specific education issues, please click below:

- School improvement
- Charter schools
- Teacher quality
- Education standards
- Commencement addresses

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School Improvement

- Remarks to the Chicago Public Schools' Principals (6/3/98)
- Column on Chicago Public Schools (5/27/98)
- Column on Public Education (5/20/98)
- Remarks at the Chicago Children's Museum (2/18/97)
- Remarks to National Education Annual Convention (7/7/94)

Charter Schools

Teacher Quality

- Remarks at the Education Awards Ceremony (2/7/97)

Education Standards

Commencement Addresses

- Remarks at Banneker High School Commencement (6/13/97)
- Remarks at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville Commencement (5/11/96)
- Remarks at The Alice Deal Junior High School Promotional Exercises, Washington DC (6/6/95)
- Remarks at Brooklyn College Commencement, Brooklyn, NY (6/1/95)

Improving Health Care for all Americans

The First Lady has promoted a broad array of health issues, from reform of ^{our} ~~the system of~~ health care delivery to prevention initiatives that would help ensure that Americans lead longer, healthier lives. She has worked to strengthen the health care system, increasing the quality of health care Americans receive, and achieve greater access for the millions of Americans currently uninsured. ~~to health care coverage~~

The First Lady has championed expanding health care coverage, chairing the President's Task Force on Health Care Reform and advocating for expanding Medicaid and Medicare to more Americans. She has focused particular attention on expanding health care coverage for children, and has worked to ensure that the new Children's Health Insurance Program fulfills its promise to provide health insurance for millions of children. She has spoken widely on the importance of childhood immunizations and has played a leadership role in addressing pediatric AIDS. In addition, Mrs. Clinton has worked to raise awareness of specific health problems, including asthma, breast cancer, and colon cancer, in order to promote healthier living.

For more information on specific health issues, please click below:

- Health care reform
- Children's health HHS
- Medicare/Medicaid NIH
- Women's health HHS
- AIDS - HHS and CDC
- Disease prevention and research NIH

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Health Care Reform

- Column on Managed Care/Patients Bill of Rights (7/22/98)
- Remarks at Harvard Medical School's Commencement (6/4/98)
- Remarks at C. Everett Koop National Health Awards (10/18/94)
- Remarks at National Primary Care Day (9/29/94)
- Remarks to the Congressional Black Caucus (9/16/94)
- Remarks to CDF/ Health Right (8/17/94)
- HealthRight Health Watch Event (8/16/94)
- Remarks to the National Education Annual Convention (7/7/94)
- Remarks to the League of Women Voters (6/14/94)
- Remarks at Washington University, St. Louis, MO (5/20/94)
- Remarks to the Communications Workers of America (4/20/94)
- Remarks to Students at the University of Colorado at Boulder (3/14/94)
- Remarks to the American Legion (2/15/94)-Remarks to the United Auto Workers (3/22/94)
- Remarks at the Colorado Health Care Forum (3/14/94)
- Remarks at Marshall University in West Virginia (11/4/93)
- Remarks to the Institute of Medicine (10/19/93)
- Remarks to the Association of Retarded Citizens (10/8/93)
- Health Care Roundtable in Hawaii (7/13/93)
- Remarks to the American Medical Association (6/13/93)

Children's Health

- Remarks at Anne Hickman Lecture (10/9/98)
- Column on CHIP (2/24/99)

Medicare/Medicaid

Women's Health

- Remarks at the Unveiling of the Breast Cancer Stamp (7/28/98)
- Remarks at the YWCA Battered Women's Shelter (7/27/98)
- Remarks at Medicare Mammography Awareness Campaign Kick Off (5/1/95)

AIDS

- Remarks at the Kick Off Event for the Pediatric AIDS Foundation PSA Campaign (5/22/95)

Disease Prevention and Research

- Column on Epilepsy (1/13/99)
- Remarks at Colon Cancer Event (9/10/98)
- Column on Cancer (7/29/98)
- Column on Asthma and the Environment (6/10/98)

Advancing Women's Economic Security

Today more than ever, women work outside the home and contribute to the economic security of their families. Yet, women can face significant challenges in this arena -- they are more likely to rely on minimum wage work; they too often are paid less than men for the same work; they may have difficulty gaining access to credit to start small businesses; and, while they live longer than men, they reach retirement with smaller pensions and other assets.

As First Lady, Mrs. Clinton has championed efforts to help ensure the economic security of women and their families. For example, she has advocated increasing access to microcredit -- small loans made to non-traditional borrowers which have enabled thousands of American women start their own businesses. Mrs. Clinton also has pressed for increases in the minimum wage, strong equal pay laws, and legal services for low-income families. She has worked to ensure that bankruptcy reform does not adversely impact women and families, particularly in terms of child support collection. Finally, she continues to participate in the Social Security reform debate, focusing her attention on ensuring that the features of Social Security that are important to women are preserved and strengthened.

For more information on specific women's economic issues, please click below:

- Microcredit - CDFI - Treasury / SBA
- Social Security - SSA
- Legal Services - Legal Services Corp.
- Women's economic security - Women's bureau, Labor Dept.

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Microcredit — Wt microcredit event last month.

Social Security

- Column on Social Security (2/27/99)
- Remarks at Americans Discuss Social Security Teleconference (1/23/99)
- Column on Social Security Reform (1/20/99)

Legal Services

Remarks to Legal Aid Society, NY / 20th Annual event at Wt

Women's Economic Security

- Column on Minimum Wage (10/14/98)

Bankruptcy

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Advancing Democracy, Civil Society and Women's Full Participation Around the World

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For more information on specific international issues, please click below:

- [Human Rights](#)
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- [Women as Citizens](#)
- [Women's Health](#)
- [Girl's Education](#)
- [Microcredit](#)
- [US Engagement](#)

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Human Rights

- Column on the Israeli/Palestinian Peace Process (12/16/98)
- Remarks at Human Rights Day Event (12/10/98)
- Column on a the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (12/9/98)
- Column on KaBoom Partnership with Northern Ireland (9/2/98)
- Remarks at Jewish Synagogue (7/1/98)
- Column on Northern Ireland (4/15/98)
- Remarks at Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda (3/25/98)
- Column on Atrocities Facing the Children of Uganda (3/24/98)
- Remarks at the United Nations (12/10/97)
- Keynote to the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, China (9/5/95)
- Remarks the NGO Forum, Huairou, China (9/6/95)

Civil Society

- Remarks to Representative of Haitian Civil Society Organizations (11/21/98)
- Remarks at the Roma Children Foundation (10/11/98)
- Remarks at the Center for National Policy (9/17/98)
- Remarks at the Ivan Franko Opera Ballet, L'Viv, Ukraine (11/11/97)
- Remarks at Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty Headquarters (7/4/96)

Women as Citizens

- Remarks: Vital Voices of the Americas: women in Democracy (10/2/98)
- Remarks at Vital Voices Conference, XX (9/2/98)
- Column on Chinese Women (7/1/98)
- Column on Women of Africa (4/1/98)
- Remarks at the Ivan Franko Opera Ballet, L'Viv, Ukraine (11/11/97)
- Remarks ta Joyce McCartan Memorial Lecture (10/31/97)
- Remarks to the Women of Argentina (10/16/97)
- Remarks in Kampala, Uganda (3/28/97)
- Remarks at the University of Capetown (3/20/97)
- Remarks on International Women's Day (3/12/97)
- Remarks to the Women of Australia (11/21/96)
- Keynote to the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, China (9/5/95)
- Remarks to the NGO Forum, Huairou, China (9/6/95)
- Remarks to the Rajiv Gandhi Foundation, New Delhi, India (3/29/95)
- Remarks at Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore, Pakistan (3/27/95)

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Women's Health

- Column on Jordan/The Hague (2/10/99)
- Remarks at FOSREF (11/22/98)
- Remarks at MotherCare Event (11/18/98)
- Remarks at Beijing Medical University (6/27/98)
- Remarks Upon Receipt of the United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize at the World Health Assembly (5/14/98)
- Remarks to the World Health Organization Forum on Women and Health Security, Beijing, China (9/5/95)

Girl's Education

- Remarks that US Agency for International Development Girls' Education Conference (5/7/98)
- Remarks at Celebration of International Women's Day, Copenhagen, Denmark (3/8/95)

Microcredit

- Remarks to the United Nations Development Fund for Women "Women's Economic Empowerment Panel" Beijing, China (9/6/95)

US Engagement

- Column on the Israeli/Palestinian Peace Process (12/16/98)
- Remarks during NGO Briefing on Hurricane Mitch (11/24/98)
- Remarks at Ceremony of the Oath of Service, American Peace Corps Volunteers in Haiti (11/21/98)
- Remarks at the Center for National Policy (9/17/98)
- Remarks at Peace Corps Event (9/15/98)
- Remarks at the Annual Meeting of the World Economics Forum (2/2/98)
- Remarks at Kampala, Uganda (3/28/97)
- Remarks to the International NGO Community at a forum of the UN World Summit on Social Development, Copenhagen, Denmark (3/7/95)

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DIRECT LINK TO MILLENNIUM WEBSITE

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Addressing the Needs of Children and Youth

The First Lady believes that we all have a stake in ensuring that America's children reach their full potentials. As First Lady, Mrs. Clinton has been a tireless champion for children, particularly our nation's most vulnerable children. As the Administration's chief advocate on foster care and adoption, Mrs. Clinton has worked to improve the lives of the nearly 500,000 children who live in foster care because of abuse or neglect. She has promoted adoption for children living in foster care and worked for the passage of landmark legislation, the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997, which reformed our nation's child welfare system and put children's health and safety first. In addition, Mrs. Clinton has taken a special interest in educating Americans about the importance of children's earliest experiences to their later development and success. In 1997, she hosted the *White House Conference on Early Childhood Development and Learning: What New Research on the Brain Tells Us About Our Youngest Children*. Also, Mrs. Clinton launched the Prescription for Reading partnership, a growing effort in which pediatricians "prescribe" reading to new parents as an activity that will enhance their children's development. Mrs. Clinton has also focused her attention on our nation's young people. She helped to create and promote Americorps, in which young people perform national service and earn a stipend for college education. Mrs. Clinton has also focused her attention on addressing factors that place our nation's young people at risk of drugs, teen pregnancy, and getting into trouble. She helped to launch the *National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy* and hosted the *White House Conference on School Safety: Preventing School Safety*.

Mrs. Clinton has long believed that while parents have the primary responsibility for raising their children, everyone has a role to play in helping them to achieve their full potentials. She has used her voice as First Lady to challenge all Americans to recognize and meet our responsibilities to America's children.

- Foster Care and Adoption
- Early Childhood Development
- At-Risk Youth Issues
- National Service

Advancing Women's Economic Security

Today more than ever, women work outside the home and make important contributions to the economic security of their families. Yet, women can face significant challenges -- they are more likely to rely on minimum wage work; they too often are paid less than men for the same work; they often have difficulty gaining access to credit to start small businesses; and, while they live longer than men, they reach retirement with smaller pensions and other assets.

As First Lady, Hillary Rodham Clinton has championed efforts to help women address these economic security challenges. She has given her voice to expanding opportunities for women, such as increasing access to microcredit, which are small loans made to non-traditional borrowers and have enabled thousands of American women start their own businesses. Mrs. Clinton also has pressed for increases in the minimum wage, for strong equal pay laws and for legal services for low-income families. In addition, Mrs. Clinton continues to participate in the Social Security reform debate, focusing her attention on ensuring that the features of Social Security that are important to women are preserved and strengthened.

- Microcredit
- Minimum Wage and Fair Pay
- Social Security
- Legal Services

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AT WORK ON THE ISSUES

Introductory Paragraphs

For more detailed information on specific issue areas, please click below:

-Helping Parents Balance Work and Family

Introductory Paragraphs

For more detailed information on specific issues, please click below:

Child Care

- Remarks at the Redbook Magazine "Mothers & Shakers of 1998" Awards Ceremony (6/2/98)
- Remarks at Child Care Announcement (1/8/98)
- Remarks by President and First lady at Whit House Conference On Child Care (10/23/97)
- Remarks on Child Care at University of Maryland (10/3/97)
- Column on Child Care (4/22/98)

Afterschool Care

- Column on Afterschool Care Programs (11/18/98)

FMLA

- Column on the Family Medical Leave Act (8/5/98)

Long Term Care

- Column on Long Term Care (1/6/99)

-Addressing the Needs of America's Children and Youth

Introductory Paragraphs

For more detailed information on specific issues, please click below:

Foster Care and Adoption

- Remarks at National Adoption Month Event (11/24/98)
- Remarks at Destination Future 98 (9/11/98)
- Remarks by the President and First Lady at Adoption Bill Signing (11/19/97)
- Column on National Adoption Day (11/25/98)

Early Childhood Development

- Remarks at Child Development Event (1/10/97)

National Service

- Column on National Service (3/17/98)

At Risk Youth

- Remarks at National Conference on Youth Violence (8/15/94)
- Column on Juvenile Crime (10/7/98)
- Column on Children and Violence (4/8/98)

-Strengthening America's Public Schools

Introductory Paragraphs

For more detailed information on specific issues, please click below:

Public School Reform

- Remarks to the Chicago Public School's Principals (6/3/98)
- Remarks at the Chicago Children's Museum (2/18/97)
- Remarks to National Education Annual Convention (7/7/94)
- Column on Public Education (5/20/98)
- Column on the Chicago Public Schools (5/27/98)

Charter Schools

Teacher Quality

- Remarks at the Education Awards Ceremony (2/7/97)

Education Standards

***General Commencement Addresses**

- Remarks at Banneker High School Commencement (6/13/97)
- Remarks at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville Commencement (5/11/96)
- Remarks at The Alice Deal Junior High School Promotional Exercises,
Washington, DC (6/6/95)
- Remarks at Brooklyn College Commencement, Brooklyn, NY (6/1/95)

-Improving Health Care for all Americans

Introductory Paragraphs

For more detailed information on specific issues, please click below:

Health Care Reform

- Remarks at Harvard Medical School's Commencement (6/4/98)
- Remarks at C. Everett Koop National Health Awards (10/18/94)
- Remarks at National Primary Care Day (9/29/94)
- Remarks to the Congressional Black Caucus (9/16/94)
- Remarks to CDF/ Health Right (8/17/94)
- HealthRight Health Watch Event (8/16/94)
- Remarks to the National Education Annual Convention (7/7/94)
- Remarks to the League of Women Voters (6/14/94)
- Remarks at Washington University, St. Louis, MO (5/20/94)
- Remarks to the Communications Workers of America (4/20/94)
- Remarks to Students at the University of Colorado at Boulder (3/14/94)
- Remarks to the American Legion (2/15/94)
- Remarks to the United Auto Workers (3/22/94)
- Remarks at the Colorado Health Care Forum (3/14/94)
- Remarks at Marshall University in West Virginia (11/4/93)
- Remarks to the Institute of Medicine (10/19/93)
- Remarks to the Association of Retarded Citizens (10/8/93)
- Health Care Roundtable in Hawaii (7/13/93)
- Remarks to the American Medical Association (6/13/93)
- Column on Managed Care/Patients Bill of Rights (7/22/98)

Children's Health

- Remarks at Anne Hickman Lecture (10/9/98)
- Column on CHIP (2/24/99)

Medicare/Medicaid**Women's Health**

- Remarks at the Unveiling of the Breast Cancer Stamp (7/28/98)
- Remarks at the YWCA Battered Women's Shelter (7/27/98)
- Remarks at Medicare Mammography Awareness Campaign Kick Off (5/1/95)

AIDS

- Remarks at the Kick-Off Event for the Pediatric AIDS Foundation's PSA Campaign, Washington, DC (5/22/95)

Disease Prevention and Research

- Remarks at Colon Cancer Event (9/10/98)
- Column on Epilepsy (1/13/99)
- Column on Cancer (7/29/98)
- Column on Asthma and the Environment (6/10/98)

-Advancing Women's Economic Security

Introductory Paragraphs

For more detailed information on specific issues, please click below:

Microcredit**Minimum Wage/Equal Pay**

- Column on the Minimum Wage (10/14/98)

Legal Services**Social Security**

- Remarks at Americans Discuss Social Security Teleconference (1/23/99)
- Column on Social Security (2/27/99)
- Column on Social Security Reform (1/20/99)

-International Issues

- Remarks at Human Rights Day Event (12/10/98)
- Remarks During NGO Briefing on Hurricane Mitch (11/24/98)
- Remarks at FOSREF (11/22/98)
- Remarks to Representative of Haitian Civil Society Organizations (11/21/98)
- Remarks at Ceremony of the Oath of Service by American Peace Corps Volunteers in Haiti (11/21/98)
- Remarks at MotherCare Event (11/18/98)
- Remarks at the Roma Children Foundation (10/11/98)
- Remarks- Vital Voices of the Americas: Women in Democracy (10/2/98)
- Remarks at the Center for National Policy (9/17/98)
- Remarks at Peace Corps Event (9/15/98)
- Remarks at Vital Voices Conference (9/2/98)
- Remarks at a Jewish Synagogue (7/1/98)
- Remarks at Beijing Medical University (6/27/98)
- Remarks Upon Receipt of the United Arab Emirates Health Foundation Prize at the World Health Assembly (5/14/98)
- Remarks at the US Agency for International Development Girls' Education Conference (5/7/98)
- Remarks at Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda (3/25/98)
- Remarks at December 31st Women's' Movement Daycare Center, Accra, Ghana (3/23/98)
- Remarks at the Annual Meeting of the World Economics Forum (2/2/98)
- Remarks at the United Nations (12/10/97)
- Remarks at the Ivan Franko Opera Ballet, L'viv, Ukraine (11/11/97)
- Remarks at Joyce McCartan Memorial Lecture (10/31/97)
- Remarks to the Women of Argentina (10/16/97)
- Remarks in Kampala, Uganda (3/28/97)
- Remarks at the University of Capetown (3/20/97)
- Remarks on International Women's Day (3/12/97)
- Remarks to the Women of Australia (11/21/96)
- Remarks at Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty Headquarters (7/4/96)
- Remarks to the World Health Organization Forum on Women and Health Security, Beijing, China (9/5/95)
- Keynote to the United Nations Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, China (9/5/95)
- Remarks to the NGO Forum, Huairou, China (9/6/95)
- Remarks to the United Nations Development Fund for Women "Women's Economic Empowerment Panel" Beijing, China (9/6/95)
- Remarks to the Rajiv Gandhi Foundation, New Delhi, India (3/29/95)
- Remarks at Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore, Pakistan (3/27/95)
- Remarks at Celebration of International Women's Day, Copenhagen, Denmark (3/8/95)
- Remarks to the International NGO Community at a forum of the UN World Summit on Social Development, Copenhagen, Denmark (3/7/95)
- Column on Jordan/The Hague (2/10/99)

- Column on the Israeli/Palestinian Peace Process (12/16/98)
- Column on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child (12/9/98)
- Column on KaBoom Partnership with Northern Ireland (9/2/98)
- Column on Chines Women (7/1/98)
- Column on WHO & Infectious Diseases (5/13/98)
- Column on Northern Ireland (4/15/98)
- Column on Women of Africa (4/1/98)
- Column on Atrocities Facing the Children of Uganda (3/24/98)

-Supporting the Arts

- Remarks at "Coming Up Taller" Arts Awards Ceremony (10/7/98)
- Remarks at Bill Ivey's Swearing In Ceremony (6/17/98)
- Remarks at the NEA Heritage Awards Ceremony (9/23/97)
- Remarks to the Friends of Art and Preservation in Embassies (6/28/97)
- Remarks During 65th Anniversary Celebration of Folger Shakespeare Library (4/22/97)
- Remarks at The Sculpture Garden Reception, The White House (1/5/96)
- Remarks at the 125th Anniversary Celebration of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, NY,
NY (6/6/95)
- Remarks at the National Design Awards (3/9/95)
- Remarks at the Opening of the 20th Century Sculpture Exhibit at the WH (10/11/94)
- Column on the Sculpture Garden (11/4/98)
- Column on Marine Band (7/8/98)

-Celebrating the Millennium

- Remarks at the Fifth Millennium Evening Event 1/25/99
- Remarks at the African Meeting House (12/5/98)
- Treasures Tour Remarks at the Longfellow House (12/5/98)
- Remarks at the Baltimore-Annapolis Trail (10/5/98)
- Remarks at the M'Clintock House, Women's Rights National Historic Park (7/15/98)
- Remarks at the Ganondagan State Historic Site (7/15/98)
- Remarks at the Harriet Tubman Home (7/15/98)
- Remarks at the Kate Mullany Home (7/15/98)
- Remarks at the Mount (Home of Edith Wharton) (7/14/98)
- Remarks at the Colonial Theater in Pittsfield, MA (7/14/98)
- Column on the Millennium (1/27/99)
- Column on Work of the Millennium Council (12/30/98)
- Column on Treasures Tour (7/15/98)
- Column on C&O Canal, Save Americas Treasures (6/17/98)

Accomplishments

DOMESTIC

Addressing the Needs of Children and Youth

- Early childhood development: Promoted children's healthy development in the earliest years of life by co-hosting the White House Conference on Early Childhood Development and speaking widely about recent developments in early brain development research. Worked for Head Start quality improvements and successfully advocated for increased funding for programs serving young children.
- Child care: Co-hosted the White House Conference on Child Care and played a leading role in the development and championing of the President's Child Care Initiative. Helped secure FY 1999 budget negotiations \$200 million for after school programs and \$180 million in child care quality. Was a major proponent of the 1993 Family and Medical Leave Act.
- Child welfare and adoption: Served as major administration champion on adoption and foster care improvement through the development of the Adoption 2002 Initiative, the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997, and by speaking widely to encourage adoption and improvement of the child welfare system.
- Youth: Successfully advocated for increased funding for after-school programs, participated in the White House Conference on School Violence, and spoke in support of national service throughout the country.
- Children's television: Hosted a White House Conference on Children's television, advocated for increased educational children's programming, and led a round-table discussion with the President and Vice President on the V-Chip.
- Arts education: Hosted Arts Education Call to Action at the White House. Launched President's Council on Arts and Humanities report *Coming Up Taller* on arts programs for at-risk youth and sponsored the Coming Up Taller awards at the White House.

Strengthening America's Public Schools

- Charter schools: Supports innovation in the public schools and advocates for the support of charter schools, including securing funding for DC Charter Schools.
- School reform: Worked on behalf of the President's education agenda, visiting schools around the country in support of public school improvement.
- Prescription for reading: Launched the "Prescription for Reading" project to link health professionals with book publishers as a means to encourage reading to young children.

Family Economic Security

- Bankruptcy: Worked to ensure that bankruptcy reform legislation does not adversely impact child support collection.
- Minimum wage: Strongly supported an increase in the minimum wage to ensure that working families do not raise their children in poverty.
- Legal services: Works to provide low-income people with access to legal resources while preventing cuts in the Legal Services Corporation budget.
- Microenterprise: Worked to promote administration policies to establish Microenterprise Awards in the US and helped establish interagency task force to better coordinate microenterprise programs.

Women

- Women's rights/history: Participated in numerous event to celebrate women's history and promote equal rights for women.
- Family planning: Worked with the National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy to support a broad-based effort. Called for budget increases for family planning and supported legislation to require federal employee health plans to cover prescription contraceptives.
- Working women count: Helped launch "Working Women Count!" to bring the concerns of working women to the forefront of policy development in the Administration
- Domestic violence: Successfully advocated for the Violence Against Women Office at the Department of Justice.

Improving Health Care for all Americans

- Universal health coverage: Chaired President's Task Force on Health Care Reform and played a continuing leadership role in support of universal health coverage. Testified before 5 Congressional Committees. Advocated for the Kennedy-Kassebaum Portability legislation to extend hospital stays for new mothers.
- Children's health: Opposed cuts in Medicaid, instrumental in passage of the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), and donated proceeds from *It Takes a Village* to children's hospitals.
- Immunizations: Launched a Childhood Immunization Initiative and secured passage of the Vaccines for Children program. Spoke widely on the importance of children's immunization.
- Tobacco: Advocated for comprehensive, national tobacco legislation and campaigned for California's tobacco tax ballot initiative.

- Breast cancer: Launched the Medicare Mammography campaign and advocated to extend hospital stays for mastectomy patients. Promoted research and awareness of breast cancer through numerous events and columns. Helped to safeguard existing Department of Defense funds for research.
- Gulf war illnesses: Visited VA and Department of Defense hospitals, listening to veterans concerns. Worked to establish the Presidential Advisory Committee on Gulf War Veterans Illnesses and participated in events relating to the Committee's work.
- AIDS: Promoted increased funding for AIDS research and prevention. Played a leadership role in pediatric AIDS, including work to encourage pregnant women to get tested and treated for HIV.
- Disease Prevention and research: Advocated for Medicare preventive benefits and for increases in research budgets, including funding for epilepsy research. Worked to raise awareness of colon and ovarian cancer and to call attention to dramatic increases in asthma among children.

DC

- As the leading advocate within the Administration on behalf of the District of Columbia, worked to apply the energy and expertise of the federal government to help the District's women, children, and families and to revitalize the city.

INTERNATIONAL

- Goodwill Ambassador for the United States - foremost voice for women's empowerment around the globe
- Raised issues and participated in events relating to women's health, domestic violence, educational opportunities, credit and human rights in travels around the world
- Keynote at Vital Voices Conference in Vienna (6/95), Philippine Women's event (11/96), Women's Conference in Almaty, Kazakhstan (11/97), Montevideo (10/98), Belfast (9/98)
- Championed the building of civil societies and stressed the importance of NGO's in emerging democracies from Mongolia to Slovakia
- Advanced a new "Alliance of Values," in speech to Radio Free Europe in Prague (95)
- Promoted girls' education and stressed the importance of girls education as fundamental to development
- Spearheaded hospital partnerships between US medical institutions and health facilities in new democracies
- Worked to raise awareness of FGM and promoted citizen efforts to ban the practice

- Voice for religious tolerance and societies threatened by sectarian strife and marked Ramadan events at the White House for the first time
- Initiated convenings on the "The Third Way" among progressive government leaders
- Hosted the Symposium on Children and the Americas at the Miami Summit of the Americas to work on reaching the Summit's goals for children (12/10/94)
- Launched Pan American Health Organization measles elimination campaign
- Led all planning efforts for, attended, and was keynote speaker at the UN Fourth Conference on Women in Beijing (9/14/95)
- Chair of President's Interagency Council on Women that was organized to implement commitments agreed to at UN Conference in Beijing
- Initiated administration's efforts to battle trafficking of women and children around the globe

ARTS

- White House's leading supporter of and spokesperson on the arts and humanities, particularly for public support through the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities; chief White House liaison with the NEA on the Humanities and the President's Committee on the Arts and Humanities
- Created 20th Century American Sculpture exhibits in the First Lady's Garden; seven exhibits through 1998
- Acquired the Tanner and O'Keefe paintings for White House permanent collection and held events marking significance of acquisitions.
- Highlighted the importance of Arts education, especially for at risk youth and embarked on a campaign to put the arts back in the schools

MILLENNIUM

- Issued a call to the nation to "honor the past and imagine the future" through a series of White House events leading up to the millennium.
- Initiated a Campaign Save America's Treasures and helped raise over \$30 million in 1998 to preserve America's treasures as well as successfully creating new public support through the Congress for \$30 in support.

Accomplishments

- White House Conference on Child Care
- President's FY 1999 Child Care Initiative
- Leadership role in policy development
- Leadership on securing in FY 1999 budget negotiations \$200 million for after school programs and \$180 million in child care quality
- Leadership in Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997 and Adoption 2002 Initiative
- Executive Memorandum issued at Oval Office POTUS radio address with foster care families
(12/14/96)
- Leadership in development of HHS Adoption 20002 report - with legislative and administrative recommendations - as required by POTUS Executive Memorandum
- Multi-Ethnic Placement Act (1994)
- Adoption Tax Credit and MEPA strengthening (1996)
- Adoption Promotion and foster Care Improvement Campaign
- Develop an administrative/budgetary initiative focused on children ageing out of foster care
- White House Conference on Early Childhood Development and Learning
- Called for Prescription for Reading effort in speech at Georgetown University Medical Center
(1/10/97)
- To issue a national call for all sectors of society to take responsibility for our children.
- Leadership role in 1998 bankruptcy reform legislative debate
- Continue leadership and support for full funding of President's LSC budget request

- To promote expansion of microenterprise in the United States to assist low-income people, especially women, to secure loans
- Helped to establish Microenterprise Awards in US (8/95) and announced the awards with Secretary Rubin via video to the Association for Enterprise Opportunity Conference in RI (5/96)
- Support for children's hospitals
- Advocated for children's health insurance in numerous speeches, book, and columns (5/20/97, 8/5/97, 2/24/98)
- Leadership on role in protecting Medicaid from cuts and block grants (1996)
- Advocated for Medicare preventive benefits, including annual mammograms and screenings of colorectal cancer, prostate cancer, and osteoporosis (passed as part of Balanced Budget Act of 1997)
- Advocated for and won increased research funding specified for epilepsy research (6/98)
- Internal and interagency meetings and discussions (1994-95)/ Report to President on Gulf War health issues.
- Instrumental in establishing the Presidential Advisory committee on Gulf War Veterans Illnesses, including memorandum to the President (2/10/ 95)
- To continue to advocate for universal health coverage
- Chaired President's Task Force on Health Care Reform (1993-94)
- Testified before 5 House and Senate committees
- Numerous events & speeches across country
- Supported bill to extend hospital stays for new mothers in speeches, books,

columns (10/1/95),
meetings and events; Legislation passed 9/96

- Promoted Vaccines for Children (VFC) program
- Led Medicare Mammography campaign
- Helped to safeguard existing DOD investment in breast cancer research and imaging technology
- National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy event at White House (5/2/97)
- Supported legislation to require Federal Employee Health Benefits Program to cover prescription contraceptives (1998)
- Advocated for creation of Violence Against Women Office at Justice (1994)
- Seneca Falls Speech (7/16/98)
- To continue to bring the concerns of working women to the forefront of policy development for the Administration
- Key Administration Voice on the District
- Goodwill Ambassador for the United States
- 1995 - Pakistan, Nepal, India, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Denmark, Russia, Ukraine, Belarus, Nova Scotia, Canada, Guam, China, Mongolia, Japan, Chile, Paraguay, Brazil, Nicaragua, Germany, Spain, UK, Ireland, Northern Ireland
- Voice for democracy and the building of civil societies around the world, stress the importance of NGO's
- Articulated the "Alliance of Values," Prague (95)
- Stressed importance of girls education as fundamental to development
- Spearheaded Latvia Hospital Partnership/held event in the White House (6/28/95)

- Worked to raise awareness of FGM through events in Senegal
- Promoted religious tolerance around the world
- Ramadan events at the White House (1/97 & 1/98), column (2/22/96)
- Planned and attended Chequers I (11/97) and Chequers II (5/98) and convened meeting at
White House
- Hosted the Symposium on Children and the Americas at the Miami Summit of the Americas to
convene the First Ladies of the Western Hemisphere to work on reaching the Summit's goals
for children (12/10/94)
- Launched Pan American Health Organization measles elimination campaign and announced
new USAID assistance to the campaign (4/7/95)
- Keynoted Latin America Vital Voices Conference in Montevideo, Uruguay (11/1/98)
- Led planning efforts for, attended, and keynote speaker at UN Fourth Conference on Women in Beijing (9/14/95)
- Chair President's Interagency Council on Women
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Women's Conference in Almaty, Khazakistan (11/97), Montevideo (10/98), Belfast (9/98)
- Addressed international Microenterprise Summit (1997)
- Initiated efforts to battle trafficking in Ukraine and Russia (3/97)
- To highlight the importance of the arts and humanities to education and at risk youth

- White House's leading spokesperson on arts and humanities
- Chief White House liaison with arts and Humanities Endowment and PCAH on all relevant matters.
- NYT Op-ed about the importance of public support for the arts
- To issue a call to the nation to honor the past and imagine the future leading up to the turn of the century and the new millennium.
- Save America's Treasures & Treasures Tour
- Preservation Efforts
- Created 20th Century American Sculpture exhibits in the First Lady's Garden; seven exhibits through 1998
- Acquired the Tanner and O'Keefe paintings for White House permanent collection and held events marking significance of acquisitions.