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HAPPY HOLIDAYS**

A heartfelt **Thank you** to our supporters. You made 2011 a banner year. Here are some of the Coalition's accomplishments this year:

- ~ Helped pass HB1197 and HB2131
- ~ April 12 Women & Girls Day in Oklahoma
- ~ First Leading Ladies Reception
- ~ 2011 Advocacy Day at the State Capitol
- ~ Meetings of our new Organizational Council
- ~ First statewide Fall Issues Symposium
- ~ Engagement in Count The Costs Coalition
- ~ Low-income Single Moms to College project
- ~ Over 650 individual members
- ~ 38 active Organizational Members
- ~ 300+ attended our 8 friend-raisers events
- ~ Increased members from all across Oklahoma
- ~ Over \$25,000 in donations from individuals
- ~ Over \$45,000 in donations from corporations
- ~ Launched Facebook and Twitter accounts
- ~ Also on Google Plus, LinkedIn and YouTube
- ~ Monthly eNewsletter plus member mailings
- ~ Set to hire an Executive Director in January

Your support is helping concerned citizens across Oklahoma work for positive change that benefits not just women and girls but all Oklahomans.

Jean Warner
Chair, Oklahoma Women's Coalition

2011 Fall Issues Symposium

Thanks to the 100+ who attended our Fall Issues Symposium and especially to our marvelous presenters! We all came away with facts and insights and inspired to make a positive difference for women and girls in Oklahoma. We will post the event handouts on our website so those who didn't attend get a feel for what we covered.

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Help Make a Difference

Please consider making an end-of-year donation to help support the Coalition. Your gift truly is improving the potential of Oklahoma women and girls. It is so exciting to see the synergy that comes when organizations with common goals meet, compare notes, generate ideas and feel empowered. We are touching women across Oklahoma in so many ways. Here is just one example: The Coalition brought together the Oklahoma Dental Foundation and the Oklahoma Department of Corrections. As a result, dentists will be providing restorative care and dental cleaning for incarcerated women. This increased access to dental services will increase women's self-esteem and marketability upon release from prison.

Every week, the Coalition is bringing people together for the betterment of Oklahoma women and girls. We could not do this without your support. Please help us continue this important work with a donation. Thank you!

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Save The Date!

Plan to attend our Day at the Capitol on the morning of Wednesday, April 4, 2012. We will also be holding a reception for women in public office on the evening of April 3, we hope you will attend.

2012 Legislative Session

The Oklahoma legislative session begins February 6, 2012. Starting in late January, we will be reading bills, selecting ones that impact women and girls and keeping you informed on the status of key legislation. Our issue committees on aging, education, girls, health, incarceration, violence, and work/family are meeting to set priorities and plan for 2012.