

VENTURA COUNTY WOMEN'S FORUM COLLABORATIVE

MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

The Collaborative Committee of the Ventura County Women's Forum participates in the planning and implementation of VCWFC events. Representatives of member organizations serve as liaisons between the organizations to keep their board informed of VCWFC activity and provide input from their organization; encourage active participation of their membership; attend VCWFC meetings; and add to the master VCWFC invitation list.

Collaborative members must share our vision, goals, and values. Membership dues are \$25 for Organization / \$10 for Individual per Forum (18 month cycle). Collaborative members will be listed on the VCWFC website and in all VCWFC promotional materials. The Collaborative generally meets between four and six times during the 18 month planning period for each Forum. Additionally, Collaborative members are eligible for appointment to the Steering Committee that meets monthly and is responsible for the detailed planning, or may serve on one of the sub-committees that are responsible for specific areas of planning: program, logistics, communications and marketing, database, finance and others as needed.

Vision:

- To bring to Ventura County women the twelve critical areas of concern identified at the Fourth World Conference on Women Platform for Action (Beijing, 1995) and encourage organizations to adopt projects within their own mission that would address those areas of concern.

Goals:

- To hold a series of public forums around the Beijing Platform for Action.
- To develop action plans to improve the lives of women in Ventura County.
- To collaborate with organizations and individuals concerned about the welfare of women in Ventura County during the planning and execution stages of forum events.
- To model collaborative work.
- To incorporate leadership opportunities and training as part of the planning process, as well as within each Forum program.



Values:

- A collaborative model connects groups and individuals to achieve common goals in a mutually beneficial, well-defined relationship. To collaborate is to "co-labor".
- We embrace a welcoming culture built on clear roles and responsibilities, effective communication, supportive structures and processes, trust and respect.
- We understand that participation is based on availability, energy, and expertise, and will be flexible when circumstances require. It is the responsibility of each member to be forthcoming when commitments cannot be met within agreed perimeters.

Membership dues may be paid by mail or securely with a credit card online via PayPal. You do not need a PayPal account to use this service. Visit our website, www.vcwf.org, then click the tab for Membership: www.vcwf.org/Membership1.html

Or complete the form below and send with your check to: VCWFC, P.O. Box 7003, Ventura, CA 93006

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Organization (\$25) Individual: (\$10)

_____ supports the vision, goals and values of the Ventura County Women's Forum Collaborative.

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| Accepted by: _____ | |
| Title: _____ | Date: _____ |
| Forum (Topic or dates): _____ | Dues: \$ _____ |

Organization: _____ Representative (or Individual): _____

Org. Phone: _____ Rep./Ind. Phone: _____

Org. Email: _____ Rep./Ind. Email: _____

Org. Address: _____ Rep./Ind. Address: _____

City/Zip: _____ City/Zip: _____

Signature: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____