

# HELP AFGHAN WOMEN

## Afghan Women are Still Oppressed!

- Misogynist warlords, ideologically similar to the Taliban, have returned to power with help from the US.
- Literacy and healthcare among women and children are still among the lowest in the world – the UN recently rated Afghanistan 173 out of 178 countries worldwide in human development (March 2005).
- The United Nations Special Envoy on Human Rights recently said that Afghan women are still suffering at the hands of their husbands, in-laws, poverty and tradition in the post-Taliban nation. (August 2005).
- Women running in Afghanistan's parliamentary elections report death threats and intimidation.



Sewing class  
for women and  
girls in Kabul.



Daanesh School  
for girls in Farah  
Province.

## Your Donations Make a Difference in the Lives of Afghan Women!

The **Afghan Women's Mission** is a *volunteer-run, US based non-profit organization*. We work directly with a women-run, indigenous organization in Afghanistan and Pakistan's refugee camps, called **RAWA** – Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan ([www.rawa.org](http://www.rawa.org)).

### With your donations:

- RAWA administers Malalai Hospital for Afghan refugees, providing free healthcare to 200 women and children daily.
- RAWA runs 9 orphanages in Pakistan, home to hundreds of Afghan girls and boys, who get free meals, a bed, clothing, and free education.
- RAWA administers several schools for girls and boys in Afghan refugee camps, and in some areas of Afghanistan.
- RAWA empowers women and girls through literacy classes across Afghanistan, including teaching skills like sewing, chicken farming, etc.
- RAWA promotes sustainable development by reviving a water canal in Farah, Afghanistan, providing water to 400 families and their farms.
- RAWA organizes Afghan women across the country and in refugee camps to stand up for their rights, march in demonstrations to the UN office, and publish a quarterly political magazine, Payam-e-Zan.

Checks can be made out to **IHC/AWM** and mailed to 2460 North Lake Avenue, PMB 207, Altadena, CA 91001, USA  
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