

American Association of University Women Empowering women since 1881 West Harris County Branch-Houston aauw-whc.org

## **Mission Statement**

To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, advocacy, and philanthropy.

## AAUW-West Harris County Branch - Houston:

- Creates opportunities for intellectual stimulation, life-long learning, mentorship, support and friendship.
- Encourages participation in a variety of initiatives and leadership opportunities.
- Provides a wide range of activity and special interest sub-groups.
- Presents engaging programs on topics that relate to the needs and interests of members such as open and fair elections, women's healthcare and safety, public education and libraries, pay equity and women's support initiatives.
- Conducts fundraisers at the local level that provide scholarships to graduating high school women entering STEM fields and at the national level with funds for fellowships and grants to women scholars continuing their education, advancing their careers or supporting community initiatives.
- Supports leadership training opportunities for college women to attend the National Conference for College Women Student Leaders (NCCWSL).
- Participates in local, state and national AAUW conferences.
- Promotes individual and group action on public policy issues at the local level, as well as nationally, through AAUW's *Two Minute Activist*.
- Collaborates with other organizations that share common missions and goals.

## **AAUW National:**

- Advocates on Capitol Hill for gender equity issues involving education, economics and leadership.
- Awards over 6 million dollars annually to women scholars to pursue their studies.
- Provides legal advocacy.
- Offers training in leadership and career advancement.
- Communicates information on opportunities to take action at national, state, and local levels.

AAUW is a national organization that works to empower women and girls and is open to all graduates who hold an associate, baccalaureate or higher degree regardless of age, disability, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, geographical location, national origin, race, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, and socioeconomic status.

## Join Us!

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