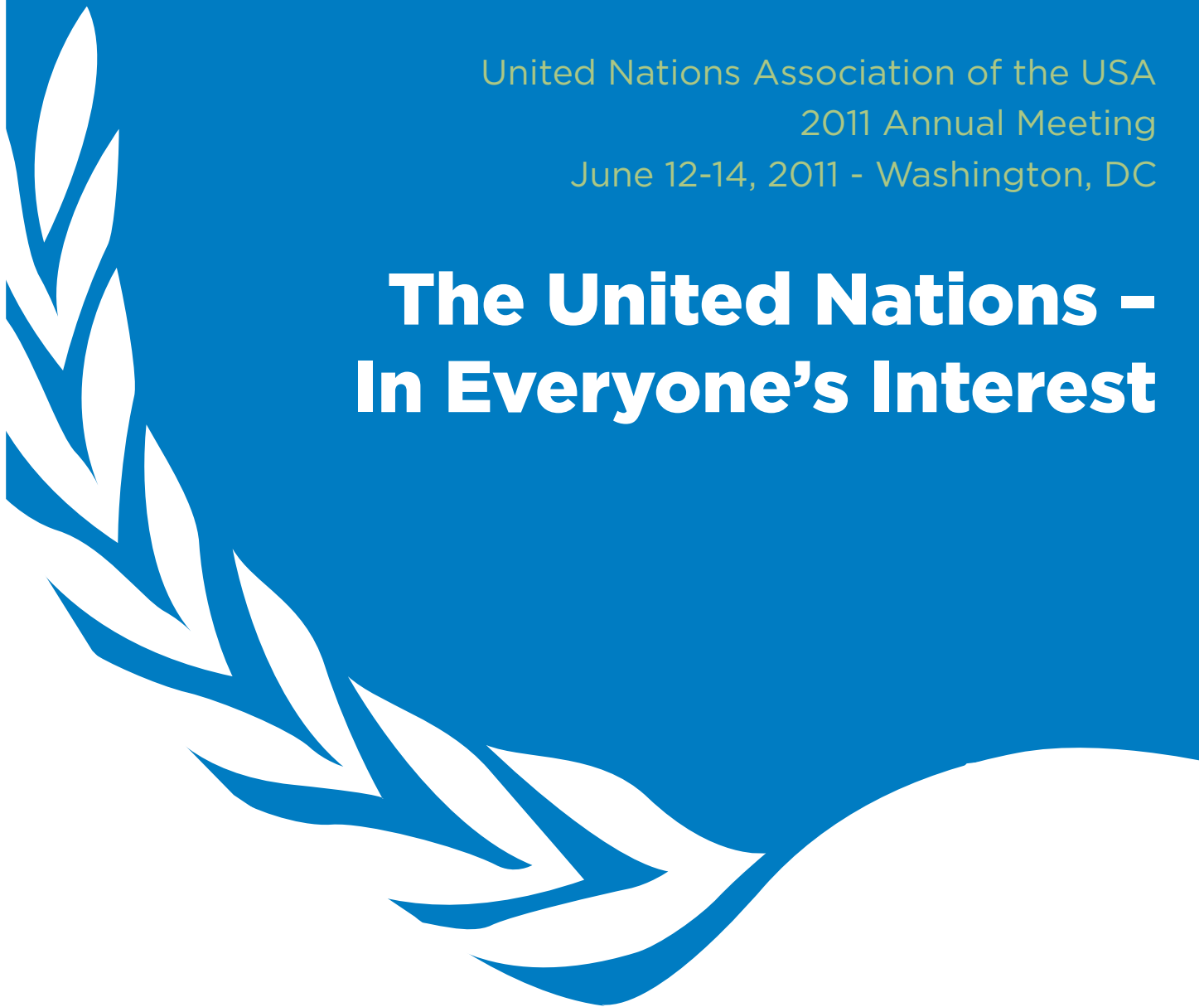




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2011 Annual Meeting
June 12-14, 2011 - Washington, DC

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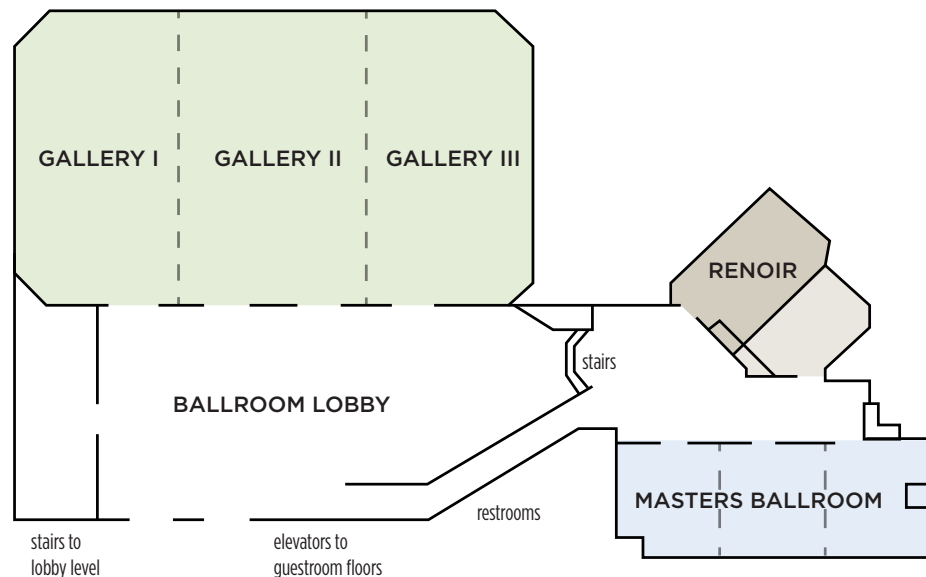


ABOUT THE UN ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA) informs, inspires and mobilizes Americans to support the principles and vital work of the United Nations. UNA-USA's grassroots membership includes over 125 chapters and more than twelve thousand of members nationwide who engage in public education and advocacy, promoting strong US-UN relations.

Last fall, UNA-USA and the UN Foundation formed a strategic alliance, which created the single largest network of advocates and supporters of the United Nations in the world. Under this new partnership UNA-USA will work to strengthen and deepen citizen support for the United Nations and build upon decades of success on policy, programmatic, and advocacy. More information can be found at www.unausa.org.

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June 12, 2011

Dear UNA-USA Leaders:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2011 Annual Meeting of the UN Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA). I'm sorry my travel schedule precludes me from joining you in person, but I wanted to share my enthusiasm for the progress UNA-USA is making in its new alliance with the UN Foundation.

The United Nations continues to be as relevant to the American public and the world as ever before. This year we've witnessed the impact of the UN in Libya, Sudan, and Haiti as well as many other places around the world. It's less about countries where the UN works, but more importantly, the people who are affected by the outcomes of its programs and policies.

In the U.S., a recent UN Foundation poll showed that 85% of American voters supported an active U.S. role in the UN and held a favorable perception of the UN and its work. UNA-USA has been at the forefront of shaping opinions of the UN in local communities for decades. With these positive numbers in hand, I encourage UNA-USA chapters to renew their efforts to grow membership, enhance community outreach and programs, and engage their elected officials on UN issues.

Please accept my best wishes for this meeting. I look forward to hearing about the success of your conversations in Arlington and the chapter work in your communities on behalf of UNA-USA.

Sincerely,



THOMAS PICKERING

Chair

UNA-USA Strategy Council

June 12, 2011

Dear UNA-USA Leaders:

Welcome to Washington, DC and Arlington, VA for the 2011 Annual Meeting! It is an exciting moment as this gathering marks our first meeting as part of the UN Foundation family and my first chance to personally participate in the UNA-USA national meeting.

As a member of the National Capital Area chapter before my arrival as Executive Director, I understood the value and importance of UNA-USA and its voice, but over the past three months I have immersed myself in the history, programs, advocacy, and membership of our network. Through meetings, special events, and a great deal of phone time, I have quickly learned that the driving force of our success is our volunteer leaders and the passion they bring to the UN and its work.

As we spend the next three days together, we will focus on the future: What does UNA-USA look like in five, ten, or twenty years? As we discuss critical issues such as membership development, fundraising, social media, advocacy, vaccines, malaria prevention, women and girls, energy, and peacekeeping, I challenge you to think about your community, your neighborhood, and your chapter. How can you bring back this knowledge and new skills and put them to work locally? UNA-USA has never been stronger and more relevant than it is now, but we can take our network and its voice to new heights.

The UN relies on UNA-USA to be its voice in communities across the U.S. I hope you will enjoy the sessions and make the most of your peer networking at this year's meeting!

Best wishes,



PATRICK M. MADDEN

Executive Director

UN Association of the United States of America

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DAY ONE

3:30 pm – 5:30 pm

Council of Chapters and Regions Steering Committee (CCR-SC) Informal Discussion

with Patrick Madden, Executive Director, UNA-USA

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I

5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

CCR-SC Reception & Dinner

LOCATION: DAN & BRAD'S RESTAURANT, HILTON HOTEL

7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

CCR-SC Meeting

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I



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DAY TWO

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Registration Opens

Available through mid-afternoon.

LOCATION: BALLROOM LOBBY

8:00 am - 9:00 am

Continental Breakfast

LOCATION: BALLROOM LOBBY

9:00 am – 10:30 am

Opening Plenary Session

Welcome Remarks Review of the Annual Meeting

Alma Morrison, Chair, Council of Chapters and Regions (CCR)

Executive Director Address with Q&A Screening of Global Classrooms Film

Patrick Madden, Executive Director, UNA-USA

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

10:30 am – 10:45 am

Break

10:45 am – 12:15 pm

Council of Chapters and Regions Annual Meeting

Introduction to the Annual Meeting and Overview of Proposed Changes

Standard Operating Procedures

UNA Young Professionals

Regional Structure Changes

Ardi Rashidi, CCR Regional Representative, Southern California Region
Katy Hansen, CCR Regional Representative, Central Region
Hector Javier, CCR Regional Representative, Young Professionals
Liuba Grechen, UNA-USA Membership Director

Full CCR Vote on Standard Operating Procedures and Regional Structure

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

12:30 pm – 2:15 pm

Networking Lunch with presentations from *Girl Up & Nothing But Nets* Campaigns

Gina Reiss-Wilchins, Director of Girl Up
Christopher Helfrich, Director of Nothing But Nets

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

2:15 pm – 2:45 pm

Membership Team Update with Q&A

Liuba Grechen, UNA-USA Membership Director
Tanisha Dyall, UNA-USA Program Outreach and Events Coordinator

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

2:45 pm – 4:00 pm

Building Chapter Membership

Moderator: Roger Nokes, UNA-USA Membership Coordinator
Sara McMillan, Tampa Bay Chapter
Larry Levine, Monterey Bay Chapter
Olga Weidner, Southern Illinois Chapter

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

4:00 pm – 4:10 pm

Break

4:10 pm – 4:45 pm

Chapter Charter Signing Ceremony & Photos

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

4:45 – 5:30 pm

Regional Breakout Sessions

5:30 pm

Dinner on your own

5:30 pm

Young Professionals Happy Hour

LOCATION: ROCK BOTTOM BREWERY
 4238 WILSON BLVD.

7:00 pm – 8:30 pm

UNAFF Traveling Film Festival Screening: *Climate Refugees*

A climate refugee is a person displaced by climatically induced environmental disasters. Such disasters result from incremental and rapid ecological change, resulting in increased droughts, desertification, sea level rise, and the more frequent occurrence of extreme weather events such as hurricanes, cyclones, fires, mass flooding and tornadoes. All this is causing mass global migration and border conflicts. For the first time, the Pentagon now considers climate change a national security risk and the term “climate wars” is being talked about in war-room like environments in Washington DC. The UN currently states that more refugees are now displaced by environmental disasters than by war, with more than 25 million climate refugees, and experts have projected that number will double within the next five years to over 50 million. Several organizations like the IPCC, Red Cross and The Christian Monitor estimate between 150 million and 1 billion people will be displaced within the next four decades, yet not one single international law gives asylum, or even a helping hand to environmental refugees.

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

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DAY THREE

8:00 am – 1:00 pm

Registration Opens

Available through mid-afternoon.

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM LOBBY

7:30 am – 9:00 am

Continental Breakfast

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM LOBBY

7:30 am- 9:00 am

Council of Organizations Executive Committee Meeting

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

9:00 am - 9:30 am

Plenary Session

UNA-USA and the UN Foundation with Q&A

Tim Wirth, President, UN Foundation

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

9:30 am – 10:00 am

Remarks from the U.S. Mission to the United Nations

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

10:00 am – 10:10 am

Break

10:10 am – 11:10 am

Concurrent Policy & Program Sessions (Choose **one** session)

Global Health In Focus: A Shot at a Healthy Life

*Moderator: Devi Thomas, UN Foundation-Global Vaccines
Campaign*

Christian Moen, UNICEF

Eileen Quinn, PATH

Ellyn Ogden, USAID

Vaccines are the single most cost-effective way to save and improve the lives of children. Thanks to vaccines, measles mortality has decreased by 90 percent in Africa, and the world is nearly polio-free. This year, two groundbreaking new vaccines, financed by the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization and developing countries, are being introduced by Ministries of Health around the world to fight the biggest killers of children, pneumonia and diarrhea. If widely distributed and fully funded, these vaccines could save the lives of 4 billion children by 2015. This session will provide an overview of the pivotal role of vaccines in fighting the worst childhood diseases and how the UN Foundation is creating a global vaccines campaign to raise awareness and resources in the U.S.

LOCATION: MASTERS BALLROOM

Securing Peace

Moderator: Jordie Hannum, Better World Campaign

William Durch, Stimson Center

*Victoria Holt, International Organization Affairs,
U.S. Department of State*

Last summer, the United Nations authorized the toughest sanctions ever on Iran and in the space of two weeks this spring, the UN authorized unprecedented interventions to protect civilians in Libya and Ivory Coast. This session will look at how the UN came up with the resolutions, the importance of U.S. engagement in assuring their passage and whether similar resolutions are feasible in the future.

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM III

11:15 am – 12:15 pm

Concurrent Policy & Program Sessions
(Choose **one** session)

Future Generations: Empowering Women & Girls

Moderator: Tamara Kreinin, UN Foundation-Women & Population

Suzanne Ehlers, President and CEO of Population Action International

Joanne Sandler, UN Women

Denise Dunning, Public Health Institute

This session will focus on the key role that women and girls play in global development and highlight relevant program and policies focused on international reproductive health and family planning and adolescent girls. The panel will also include a discussion of the newly created UN Women and its work to champion gender equality and women’s empowerment.

LOCATION: MASTERS BALLROOM

Energy

Moderator: Leslie Cordes, UN Foundation-Energy and Climate
Minoru Takada, UNDP

John Mollet, International Copper Association

Bikash Pandey, Clean Energy at Winrock International

This session will focus on the importance of access to energy in helping bring the world’s poorest out of poverty. In addition, presentations will focus on the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves and the Campaign for Universal Energy Access, two initiatives that highlight the importance of access to energy and the use of clean cooking solutions that promote positive health and environmental outcomes.

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM III

11:15 am – 12:15 pm

Council of Organizations Annual Meeting (COO Members)

LOCATION: RENOIR

12:15 pm – 1:30 pm

Networking Lunch

Opening Remarks & Host: Gillian Sorensen, UN Foundation National Advocate

Remarks by Dr. Nafis Sadik, Special Advisor to UN Secretary-General and UN Foundation Board Member

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II



1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Concurrent Skill Building & Training Sessions (Choose **one** session)

Making Social Media Work for Your UNA Chapter

Meril Cullinan, Online Team, UN Foundation Public Affairs

Jenna Sauber, Online Team, UN Foundation Public Affairs

Social media is changing the way individuals and organizations communicate, and are making it easier than ever to connect information, resources, and people around the world to the important work of the UN.

Join us to discuss the tools and tactics that UNA-USA and the United Nations Foundation use to spread the word and see how you can engage with your chapter members and peer chapters to solve global problems. We'll review quick, easy, and free ways to activate current members and recruit new members. Ask our national staff any of your social media "how-to" questions and hear how other chapters are communicating effectively and efficiently online.

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

Using Local Partnerships to Increase Membership & Impact

Moderator: Aaron Etra, Co-Chair of the Council of Organizations

Norma Keller, Centre County (PA) Chapter & COO Member

Christiaan Morssink, Philadelphia Chapter

Mary McKinsey, San Diego Chapter

Connecting chapter programs to new audiences, new funding sources, and the media is always challenge. Bring your questions to this session as members of UNA-USA's Council of Organizations discuss how other local chapters from peer membership organizations can help local UNA chapters. Hear how traditional and unconventional partnerships may be a new way to bring your chapter to the front page.

LOCATION: RENOIR

Model UN in your Community

Moderator: Amy Ruggiero, UNA-USA Director of Education Programs

Paula Boland, National Capital Area Chapter

The UNA-USA Education team will introduce members to Model UN and various ways of getting students and schools involved locally. Session participants will participate in a Model UN simulation designed to provide an overview of the activity, as well as how to use Model UN as a community engagement tool. Both experienced and inexperienced MUNers are welcome...get ready to have some fun!

LOCATION: MASTERS BALLROOM

Show Me the Money...Even in this Economy

Moderator: Patrick Madden, UNA-USA

Judith Harris, Pasadena Chapter

Jay Sjerven, Kansas City Chapter

Trusha Chokshi, NY Southern Division Young Professionals

The impact of UNA locally is only limited by two things: members' imagination and money. UNA volunteer leaders from around the country, like other nonprofits, have struggled to keep funding flowing for chapter programs and events. Bring your challenges and success stories to this open discussion on how some chapters have used their creativity (and standard fundraising tactics) to keep the dollars in hand.

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM III

2:35 pm – 3:00 pm

Plenary Remarks with Q&A

Kathy Calvin, CEO, UN Foundation

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

3:00 pm – 3:45 pm

UNA-USA Advocacy Agenda

UN Funding, Human Rights, International Treaties and MDGs

Peter Yeo, Vice President of Public Policy & Executive Director of the Better World Campaign

Don Kraus, Citizens for Global Solutions

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

3:45 pm – 5:30 pm

Training Session, Meeting Strategies & Briefing for the Day on the Hill

Mike Beard, Director, Better World Campaign

Jordie Hannum, Better World Campaign

Rita Maran, East Bay Chapter

LOCATION: GALLERY BALLROOM I + II

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Reception

Please join us for appetizers and drinks.

LOCATION: CARIBBEAN BREEZE RESTAURANT
4100 FAIRFAX DRIVE

(PLEASE NOTE: This is **not** located in the hotel.
This is a short one-block walk.)



DAY FOUR

UNA-USA Day on Capitol Hill

7:00 am

Depart for the Capitol Hill

Bus transportation is being provided by UNA-USA.
Bring luggage if leaving after lunch.

LOCATION: HOTEL MAIN LOBBY

7:30 am - 9:00 am

Breakfast with Keynote Remarks from U.S. Representative Karen Bass (invited)

LOCATION: LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REFORMATION
212 EAST CAPITOL STREET NE

Briefing for Congressional Office Visits

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

House Visits - House Office Buildings

12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Lunch with Keynote Remarks from U.S. Representative Russ Carnahan (MO)

LOCATION: LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE REFORMATION
212 EAST CAPITOL STREET NE

2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Senate Visits - Senate Office Buildings

5:00 pm

All luggage must be removed from Lutheran Church of the Reformation.

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TIMOTHY E. WIRTH is the President of the United Nations Foundation and the Better World Fund. Both organizations were founded in 1998 through a major financial commitment from Ted Turner to support and strengthen the work of the United Nations.

Wirth began his political career as a White House Fellow under President Lyndon Johnson and served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Education in the Nixon Administration. In 1970, Wirth returned to his home state of Colorado and successfully ran for the U.S. House of Representatives in 1974. He represented Denver suburbs from 1975-1987. Wirth was elected to the U.S. Senate in 1986 where he focused on environmental issues, particularly global climate change and population stabilization.

Following these two decades of elected politics, Wirth served as national Co-chair of the Clinton-Gore campaign, and from 1993 to 1997 served in the U.S. Department of State as the first Undersecretary for Global Affairs.

Prior to entering politics, Wirth was in private business in Colorado. The son of teachers, he was a scholarship student and graduate of Harvard College, served as a Harvard “Baby Dean” after graduation, and received a Ph.D. from Stanford University. The recipient of numerous awards and honorary degrees, he also served as a member of the Harvard Board of Overseers. A member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, he was recently honored as a Champion of the Earth by the United Nations Environment Program. Wirth is married to Wren Wirth, the President of the environmentally oriented Winslow Foundation. They have two grown children and five grandchildren.



KATHY BUSHKIN CALVIN is the Chief Executive Officer of the United Nations Foundation. The United Nations Foundation was created in 1998 with businessman and philanthropist Ted Turner’s historic gift to support UN causes. The UN Foundation builds public-private partnerships to address the world’s most pressing problems, and works to broaden support for the UN through advocacy and public outreach.

Prior to joining the UN Foundation in 2003, Kathy served as President of the AOL Time Warner Foundation and was the chief architect of the company’s corporate social responsibility initiatives. She joined America Online in 1997 as Senior Vice President and Chief Communications Officer, following a career in politics, journalism and public relations.

At Hill and Knowlton, a global public relations company, she led the U.S. Media Relations practice. For 12 years before that, she was the Director of Editorial Administration for U.S. News & World Report magazine. From 1976 through 1984, Kathy served as Senator Gary Hart’s press secretary in his Senate office and 1984 Presidential campaign.

Throughout her career, Kathy Bushkin Calvin has taken an active role in a range of philanthropic activities. Kathy is a graduate of Purdue University and the recipient of numerous awards for leadership and philanthropy.



RUSS CARNAHAN has represented Missouri's 3rd District since taking office in 2005 and sits on the House Committee on Foreign Affairs, where he has emphasized the importance of building strong relationships around the globe in order to protect our economic and national security, the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. He is the founding co-chair of the American Engagement Caucus, a bipartisan panel dedicated to promoting international cooperation as a way to further our national interests; he is a leading advocate for women's rights, working to advance women's political, economic and social influence around the world; and as Ranking Member of the Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, he has called for a strict accounting of the rebuilding efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan in order to protect taxpayer funds and make sure our troops have the resources they need.

Prior to his election to Congress in 2004, Carnahan served two terms in the Missouri House of Representatives where he was recognized as an outstanding state lawmaker by the St. Louis Regional Commerce and Growth Association (RCGA), the Missouri Bar Association, and the *St. Louis Business Journal*.

Carnahan attended the University of Missouri in Columbia and received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Administration with an emphasis in public service. He went on to earn his Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Missouri-Columbia School of Law, where he served on the Board of Advocates.



DR. NAFIS SADIK, a national of Pakistan, was educated at Loreto College (Calcutta) and received her Doctor of Medicine degree from Dow Medical College (Karachi). She served her internship in gynecology and obstetrics at City Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland. She completed further studies at The Johns Hopkins University and held the post of research fellow in physiology at Queens University, Kingston, Ontario (Canada). Dr. Sadik began her professional life as a physician, practicing obstetrics and gynecology in rural communities in Pakistan. She was appointed director-general of Pakistan's Central Family Planning Council, having occupied the post of deputy beginning in 1968. In 1971, she joined the United Nations and became a technical adviser to the United Nations

Population Fund (UNFPA) and Chief of its Programme Division in 1973. From 1982 to 1987 she served as assistant executive director.

In 1987, Dr. Sadik was appointed executive director of UNFPA, with the rank of under-secretary-general, becoming one of the highest ranking women in the UN system and the first woman in the history of the United Nations to lead one of its major voluntarily funded programs. Dr. Sadik is a dynamic leader and guiding force in the field of international maternal and child health and reproductive and sexual health, including family planning. Dr. Sadik champions the concept that women's health and well-being are best approached from the broader angle of reproductive and sexual health, within the social and economic context of women's lives. She has consistently called attention to the importance of addressing the needs of women by involving women directly, as well as men.

Her contribution to improving the health of women and children in the global community has brought, and is continuing to bring, her many international awards and honors. Dr. Sadik is currently special adviser to the United Nations Secretary-General, and has been named an Eminent Person for the International Year of Volunteers (IYV). Dr. Sadik continues her prestigious career by lending support and sharing her expertise with several boards of directors of organizations sharing mutual interests. Her numerous publications are in the areas of reproductive health and family, population and development, women, and gender and development.

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GILLIAN SORENSEN, Senior Advisor/National Advocate at the United Nations Foundation, has had a long career working with and for the UN. From 1997-2003, she served as Assistant Secretary-General for External Relations on appointment by Secretary-General Kofi Annan. She was responsible for outreach to civil society, including NGOs committed to peace, justice, development and human rights. From 1993-1996, she served as Special Adviser for Public Policy on appointment by Secretary-General Boutros Boutros-Ghali, where she led the global commemoration of the UN's Fiftieth Anniversary and the coordination of the UN50 Summit at Headquarters in New York with 180 Heads of Government participating.

From 1978-1990, she was the New York City Commissioner for the United Nations, head of the City's liaison with the world's largest diplomatic community, on appointment by Mayor Edward Koch. Her responsibilities related to diplomatic security and immunity, housing and education, and other cultural and business contacts between the host city and over 30,000 diplomats. She was referred to by *The New York Times* as "The Diplomat's Diplomat" for her work at this time.

Mrs. Sorensen is a graduate of Smith College and studied at the Sorbonne. She has been a Fellow at the Kennedy School of Government (Institute of Politics) at Harvard University. She is a frequent speaker on United Nations issues and the US-UN relationship. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the Women's Foreign Policy Group. In addition to her public service, she has been a delegate to three national Presidential conventions.



PATRICK MADDEN was named Executive Director of the United Nations Association of the United States of America in February 2011. Before assuming the UNA position, Madden served as President & CEO of Sister Cities International (SCI) for four years, building a network of U.S. cities partnered with more than 2,000 international communities that worked to implement economic development, humanitarian, cultural, and education programs and exchanges. During his time at SCI he was responsible for attracting the organization's largest grant, a \$7.5M donation from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to work on urban poverty issues in Africa. He enhanced the profile of SCI and thousands of local elected official and community leaders by representing the organization at national and international events, traveling to more than a dozen countries on five continents.

Before SCI, he served in senior level external affairs positions at the Association of Performing Arts Presenters and the Smithsonian Institution's National Portrait Gallery. In both positions he worked on a variety of international projects and exhibitions, as well as immigration matters urging U.S. Congress and federal agencies for visa policy reforms. Madden is an adjunct faculty member at George Mason University where he teaches graduate seminars in fundraising. He holds two degrees from Ohio University.

MIKE BEARD joined the Better World Campaign in April 2009. Prior to joining the UN Foundation, Beard worked for five years under Congresswoman Jackie Speier and the late Congressman Tom Lantos. As senior legislative assistant to Congresswoman Speier, he managed a diverse portfolio including foreign affairs, and worked on the Financial Services and Oversight and Government Reform committees. Previously, Mike worked with both the personal and Foreign Affairs Committee staffs in the office of Congressman Tom Lantos.

Mike holds a bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of California, San Diego. He began his career in Washington as an intern in the office of Congressman Bob Filner.

LESLIE CORDES currently serves as Interim Executive Director of the Global Alliance for Clean Cookstoves, a public-private partnership to promote the adoption of clean cookstoves in the developing world. She also serves as Senior Director of Partnership Development at the UN Foundation where she builds partnerships for their clean energy and climate programs.

Prior to her tenure at the UN Foundation, Leslie served as Chief of US EPA's Energy Supply and Industry Branch. She also spent eight years in management roles at the Alliance to Save Energy, including Acting Co-President, Vice President for Program Development, and Director of International Programs. Leslie also served as deputy director of USAID's Energy Efficiency Program and as a staff member on the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, working on energy and climate legislation.

Leslie has a B.A. in Political Economics from UC Berkeley, and a M.S. in International Trade & Finance from Georgetown University.

MERIL CULLINAN is an Online Communications Associate for the United Nations Foundation. Her portfolio includes managing social media, web properties, and email communications for global health and the UN Foundation's Nothing But Nets campaign. Originally from Newburyport, MA, Meril is a recent graduate of The George Washington University, where she double majored in History and Political Science.

DENISE DUNNING is the Program Director of the Adolescent Girls' Advocacy & Leadership Initiative, a program implemented by International Health Programs of the Public Health Institute that promotes global health and development by enhancing the capacity of Latin American and African leaders to improve the health, education, and livelihoods of adolescent girls and young women. Denise previously worked in the Population Program at the David and Lucile Packard Foundation on grantmaking and research in Mexico, India, Ethiopia, and the Philippines. Denise has served as a Fulbright Scholar in Honduras, working with the United Nations Development Program to implement hurricane relief efforts following Hurricane Mitch. Denise also worked as a consultant with The Population Council in Mexico City and CARE Nepal providing technical assistance to field staff implementing women's health research and microcredit programs.

Currently pursuing a doctoral degree in Sociology at the University of California Berkeley, Denise is conducting research on youth, gender, sexuality, and HIV prevention. She received a Masters in Public Affairs from the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University, where she focused on international development and health after graduating Summa Cum Laude from Duke University. Denise is a native Spanish speaker who also speaks French, Portuguese, and German.

SUZANNE EHLERS is the President & CEO of Population Action International and has worked for the last 15 years to promote women's health, rights and empowerment across the globe.

Suzanne has been with PAI for over seven years, most recently leading the strategic direction of campaigns as Vice President of International Advocacy. In this capacity, Suzanne's work focused largely on building and supporting advocacy capacity among indigenous NGOs; strengthening reproductive health and HIV integration; leveraging new monies for reproductive health supplies; and fostering innovative approaches to coalition building. For the last two years, Suzanne has also served on the U.S. government delegation to United Nations Commission meetings as well as sitting on the Steering Committee of the Bangkok-based Asia Pacific Alliance.

Suzanne served as a Peace Corps volunteer in the Central African Republic, following her graduation from Cornell University with a degree in Government. Suzanne is an avid traveler and baker. She resides in Washington, DC, with her Argentine-Swiss husband and two young daughters.

LIUBA GRECHEN is the Director of UNA Membership, where she manages membership programs nationwide, including 125 chapters and divisions, the Young Professionals, and Student Alliance programs. Liuba has also worked as a consultant for the Carpathian Foundation, a unique re-granting organization which channels funds to rural areas of Eastern Europe. During her work with this organization, she co-founded a groundbreaking initiative, the Carpathian Compact, an international movement designed to increase cooperation and promote greater synergies among the public, private, and NGO sectors to build a stronger and more collaborative civil society. Liuba has also worked in Development with International House and the EastWest Institute, and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Politics and Russian from New York University.

JORDIE HANNUM joined the Better World Campaign in April 2008 and supports its legislative and advocacy efforts. Before coming to BWC, Jordie worked as a policy analyst for the Council of State Governments. Prior to this, he worked on the Wesley Clark presidential campaign and as a legislative assistant to Congresswoman Constance Morella.

Jordie received his bachelor's degree from the University of Pennsylvania (1998), and his master's in Public Administration from the Maxwell School of Syracuse University (2005).

CHRISTOPHER HELFRICH works for the United Nations Foundation as Director of *Nothing But Nets*, a global, grassroots campaign to

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raise awareness and funding to combat malaria, one of the largest killers of children in Africa. *Nothing But Nets* provides individuals – from CEOs to youth, professional athletes to faith leaders – the opportunity to join the global fight against malaria by sending a net and saving a life. Since its creation in 2006, *Nothing But Nets* has raised more than \$35 million to distribute more than 4 million nets to families throughout Africa.

Prior to joining *Nothing But Nets* and the UN Foundation, Mr. Helfrich served as the Director of Development and Marketing at Public Citizen, a national, public interest advocacy organization. There, he was responsible for all fundraising activities for a \$13mm annual budget, including membership, major giving, planned giving, events and foundation support, while also serving as a leader of the organization's online fundraising and advocacy program. Prior to joining Public Citizen, Mr. Helfrich worked as a Director of Development at public radio stations in San Antonio, Texas, and Charlotte, North Carolina, and as fundraiser at Davidson College during their \$270mm capital campaign, Let Learning Be Cherished. Mr. Helfrich is a native of Hartford, Connecticut and Cleveland, Ohio, and holds a bachelor of arts from Trinity University in San Antonio, Texas.

DONALD KRAUS is the Chief Executive Officer of Citizens for Global Solutions. He previously served as the organization's Executive Vice-President where he directed its Government Relations Department and Political Action Committee. Prior to that he served as the Executive Director of the Campaign for United Nations Reform and its affiliated political action committee, CUNR PAC. An expert in building U.S. political support for the U.N. and other international institutions, Don brings his considerable enthusiasm and drive to advocating for responsible global policies.

Don currently co-chairs three NGO working groups: the Partnership for Effective Peacekeeping (PEP), the Washington Working Group on the International Criminal Court (WICC), and the CEDAW (womens rights treaty) task force. He also plays a lead role in the Law of the Sea Working Group, a broad group of organizations and trade associations focused on U.S. ratification of the convention.

Don is also a past president emeritus of the Center for UN Reform Education, a UN reform think tank. He currently serves on the advisory board of the United Nations Association of the National Capitol Area.

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DEVI RAMACHANDRAN THOMAS joined the UN Foundation in May 2011 as Director of the Global Vaccines Campaign. In her new role, Devi will manage a dynamic campaign team that includes professionals with programmatic, communications, marketing, and fundraising expertise.

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