

ZONTA BENDIGO TURNS 40 A SNAPSHOT ACHIEVEMENTS & PARTICIPATION OVER 4 DECADES

- Over 1800 Breast Cushions have been made and distributed.
- 5000 Toiletry Bags assembled and distributed to women who are at risk, affected by violence, homelessness, or financial insecurity.
- 700 Tote Bags (emergency toiletries for young people at risk), or community members who have been admitted to hospital expectantly, including mental health patients.
- 40,000 Birthing Kits funded & assembled over 4 decades, distributed international through the Birthing Kit Foundation of Australia to 3rd World countries.
- Zonta Says No to Violence - a founding member of Greater Bendigo Against Family Violence Committee, financial support for community projects, including the Centre for Non Violence & Annie North Refuge
- Annual IWD Dinner – celebrating with 230 women each year and raising \$85,000 for Zonta Scholarships and Awards
- Scholarships and Awards presented over the decades to 119 candidates, some awarded for a second year, including Young Women in Public Affairs Award, Gwen Symons Memorial Scholarship, Heather Winderlich Award, Jane M Klausman Women in Business, Ann Horrocks STEM, Women of Achievement Award
- Scholarships valued at \$3600 for girls who are in primary school to be supported by Bendigo Discovery Centre to participate in STEM activities.
- Zontian Volunteering countless hours each year in our community, including more recently with refugee women.
- \$379,000 funds raised and distributed, within our community and Zonta International to support projects that advance the status of women.