

- Organize seminars for open dialogue among Unity Club members and share our experiences;
- Advocate for and support vulnerable families;



- Organize/participate in mobilization campaigns in and out of the country for attaining a well unified nation;
- Establish women network groups by organizing workshops for women leaders;



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- Promote children's rights through an annual Christmas campaign during this period ICT training for orphans has been initiated.



Unity Club is distinguished by the willingness and commitment of its members to serve the nation by prioritizing unity & peace through social interaction at all levels. It is there to reassure all, that there is enough room for everyone in the Land of Thousand Hills.

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BACKGROUND

Unity Club is a non-profit making organization founded on 28th February 1996 by female spouses of Cabinet Ministers as well as women Cabinet Ministers.

Unity Club effective members are composed of female spouses of former and current Cabinet Ministers as well as former and current women Ministers. On 7th March 2007, the Club extended its membership to include associate members composed of spouses of the effective members.

The aim of the Club was primarily to promote unity while contributing to the socio-economic recovery of the country in the wake of the 1994 genocide.



First Lady Madam Jeannette Kagame

Under the Chairmanship of the First Lady of Rwanda, Madam Jeannette Kagame, Unity Club has, overtime, provided its members with an invaluable opportunity to promote social cohesion and work together towards a common goal: promoting

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VISION

Right from its inception, Unity Club's vision is to create a forum where members and other Rwandans are inspired to develop proactive dialogue, productive network and mutual responsibility, address social problems and actively participate in Rwanda's development.

MISSION

Unity Club's mission is to enhance unity and peace as the foundation for sustainable development in Rwanda.

OBJECTIVES

Unity Club's objectives are to:

- Significantly contribute to the promotion of unity among Rwandans and to social development in general;
- Bring together former and current government ministers and their spouses to build a better Rwanda through the power sharing and interaction;
- Continually foster the spirit of collaboration and create a platform for open dialogue;
- Advocate for the socio-economic wellbeing of disadvantaged groups in general with particular emphasis on orphans;
- Contribute to the empowerment of Rwandan women and promote gender equality;
- Promote partnership with organizations with similar goals.

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

Unity Club is comprised of the following organs :

- The General Assembly
- The Executive Committee
- The Commissions
- The Executive Secretariat

General Assembly

The General Assembly is composed of all effective members of Unity Club and is the supreme organ. The General Assembly meets once a year, but where necessary, extraordinary sessions are held.

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee, presided over by Rwanda's First Lady, is made up of 1st and 2nd Vice Chairpersons, Treasurer, Secretary General and Heads of Commissions elected by the General Assembly for a period of two years, renewable twice.

The Executive Committee meets four times a year for ordinary sessions, and as needed for extraordinary sessions.

Commissions

The Executive Committee is assisted by four commissions:

- Planning and Economic Commission
- Advocacy Commission
- Mobilization Commission
- Social Affairs Commission

The Secretariat

The Secretariat comprises of administrative and technical departments headed by an Executive Secretary. Other members of staff include:

- Program Officer
- Finance and Administration Officer

With increased activities, Unity Club may need additional and supportive staff in future. Internal audit and control functions are performed by a control committee of 2 people who will present their report to the General Assembly while an External audit is carried out once in 3 years.

RANGE OF ACTIVITIES

In order for Unity Club to fulfill its mission, members engage in the following activities:

- Encourage peace building, unity and social cohesion by recognizing annually an individual Rwandan who has distinguished him/herself in promoting human values by honoring him/her with a "Unity Award."



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