

## What are Soroptimists?

Soroptimist International (SI) is a global organization whose members work to improve the lives of women and girls through programs leading to social and economic empowerment. There are over 75,000 SI clubs in 122 countries.

*Soroptimist programs focus on providing women and girls with access to education – the most effective path to empowerment.*

“Soroptimist” means “best for women.” Soroptimists are women at their best – working to help other women to be their best.



## Why Focus on Women and Girls?

- **When women learn:** families live healthier.
- **When girls go to school:** they are more likely to get paying jobs and their financial contributions to their families—and their nations—increase.
- **When girls have educated moms:** they are more likely to be enrolled in school and to reach higher levels of education.
- **When women are educated:** their countries are more likely to have greater economic growth.

## Soroptimist Programs

### Enable • Educate • Empower

- **Live Your Dream: Education and Training Awards for Women**
- **Dream It, Be It: Career Support for Girls**
- **Ending Violence Against Women & Girls**
- **LiveYourDream.org**



## Our Club Meetings

We meet monthly September – June, typically on the first Monday. Socializing begins at 6:00 pm with a light snack. The business meetings start at 6:30 pm.

The first Monday in March is our annual Potato Supper & Bake Sale - our major fundraiser that provides income for our service projects. Our March club meeting is later in the month.

Our Social Committee plans additional recreational activities that encourage social interaction and fellowship among club members.

## We Invite You to Consider Becoming a Member

Soroptimist is a dynamic group of women who care about making the world a better place for women and girls.

Through Soroptimist membership, you will have the opportunity to realize personal fulfillment by blending your service concerns with social and business interests.

We are  
**Soroptimist International of El Dorado**  
South Central Region, District I  
El Dorado, Kansas

Soroptimist International of the Americas (SIA) was founded in 1921 in California. The largest of 4 federations of Soroptimist International, SIA has over 160,000 members representing 21 countries and territories. SIA is divided into 28 regions, and has some 1,600 clubs.



SIA website  
[www.soroptimist.org](http://www.soroptimist.org)

## Our Local Service Projects

*Soroptimist International of El Dorado, KS*  
was founded March 21, 1955.

Our club supports Soroptimist International initiatives and many local projects that benefit women and girls.

## MAJOR CLUB PROJECTS

- ✓ **BCC endowed annual Nursing Scholarship**
- ✓ **Campaign against domestic violence.**  
“Dating Rights” bookmarks distributed to local schools, churches, and elsewhere; banners displayed at local businesses in October, National Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
- ✓ **Dream it, Be it!** An annual career support event for teen girls in our community.
- ✓ **EHS Softball Concessions.** To show support for girl athletes, and raise funds for our programs for girls and women.
- ✓ **Girls State &/or HOBY Leadership.** Tuition assistance for teen girls.
- ✓ **Live Your Dream Award.**  
Cash assistance for women who have primary financial responsibility for their families while pursuing educational goals to improve their economic status.
- ✓ **Outstanding High School Citizen Award**
- ✓ **Women’s Health and Social Issues.**  
Projects and programs to educate club members and the community on issues of women’s health.



**Interested in more information?**

**Please visit our club’s website**

[www.SOROPTIMISTelDoradoKS.org](http://www.SOROPTIMISTelDoradoKS.org)

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**El Dorado, Kansas**



*Helping Women & Girls  
Live Their Dreams*



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