

# Global Women's Peace Network Quarterly Impact Report (January – March 2025)

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The first quarter of 2025 was a powerful launchpad for the **Global Women’s Peace Network (GWPN)** as we boldly lifted the theme:

**“The Feminine Edge: Why Women’s Leadership Matters.”**

From city halls to living rooms, from interfaith sanctuaries to vibrant Zoom calls, **women gathered to lead, reflect, serve, and celebrate** - and the energy was undeniable. Together, we sparked a movement rooted in authenticity, collaboration, and bold feminine leadership.

Thanks to the passion and dedication of WFWP leaders and partners, **20 vibrant events** were hosted, co-sponsored, or attended by WFWP chapters, reaching **288 women**, with **42% attending for the very first time!** These events became catalysts for connection and inspiration - proving that when women lead from the heart, transformation follows.



## Honoring HerStory: Women Leading Change

Throughout the quarter, we proudly celebrated **over 15 exceptional women leaders** through **six HerStory Award ceremonies** - each story a beacon of resilience, innovation, and courage. One incredible elected leader received the **Global Women Peace Ambassador Award** for her tireless advocacy and public service, reminding us what’s possible when leadership is rooted in love.

Collaboration made this impact even stronger - with more than five events co-hosted with past HerStory honorees and partner organizations, deepening GWPN’s growing network of peacebuilders. Meanwhile, the *HerStory Podcast* continued amplifying these voices nationwide, featuring four remarkable women



whose leadership continues to shape their communities.



**January: Service, Celebration and Seeds of Love**

- In **New Jersey**, WFWP partnered with NJ Family Church for a Winter Coat and Food Drive in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day, serving local shelters with warmth and compassion.
- **WFWP Arizona** honored **Vice Mayor Doreen Garlid** with a HerStory Award for her leadership in sustainability and inclusivity.
- On January 25, **WFWP USA** hosted a national *HerStory in Action* webinar, with **President Kaeleigh Moffitt** igniting hearts around the theme of feminine leadership. Three women received HerStory Awards, and **GWPN Coordinator Grace Kisile** issued a call to action for Women’s History Month.



- That same day, **WFWP Hawai’i** hosted a heartfelt *HerStory Watch Party and Journaling Session*, reflecting on Mother Moon’s invitation to “plant seeds of love wherever we go.”



## February: Advocacy, Legacy and Inner Renewal



- **WFVP Pennsylvania** partnered with Hijabis Women to advocate for **Muslim women's right to wear the hijab with pride**, opening a bold interfaith dialogue.
- In **Chicago**, a moving **Black History Month celebration** featured **Rev. Mama Joy** portraying Sojourner Truth, bringing the spirit of justice to life.
- **WFVP Grand Junction** hosted a meaningful **interfaith dialogue**, sharing spiritual insights across traditions.
- Meanwhile, across the **West Region**, the *Self-Care Isn't Selfish* webinar series continued as a space of refuge, healing, and empowerment for women leaders.



## March: Tea, Tributes and Peacebuilding

- **WFVP Arizona** hosted a vibrant *HerStory Tea with Intention*, honoring **Councilmember Jennifer Hawkins** and encouraging young women to lead.
- In **San Diego**, a *Peace Starts with Me Tea* brought women of diverse backgrounds together to reflect on womanhood and the spirit of peace.
- **WFVP Hawai'i** was invited by **First Lady Jamie Kanani Green** to attend the **International**



**Women’s Day Breakfast**, uniting 120 women leaders to discuss mentorship, leadership, and self-care. Later, they celebrated *Hinamatsuri (Girls’ Day)* by honoring young girls with thoughtful gifts and warm encouragement.



**Global Moments, Local Impact**

- **“Beauty Will Save the World,”** co-sponsored by WFWP USA at the UN CSW69, spotlighted the power of inner beauty and women’s self-worth.
- **Grand Junction** and **Washington, DC** both hosted inspiring **Interfaith Women’s Day gatherings**, honoring women of faith and offering a collective prayer for peace.
- To close the quarter, **WFWP New Jersey** and **Maryland/DC** hosted HerStory Award ceremonies, with **Delegate Joseline A. Peña-Melnyk** receiving the **Global Women Peace Ambassador Award** for her leadership and advocacy.



**From service to storytelling, from tea circles to global summits, GWPN is on the move - lifting women’s voices, lighting new paths of peace, and building a global sisterhood of empowered leaders.**

Thank you to our WFWP members, donors, and partners who make this work possible. Your dedication is turning vision into action and hearts into homes of peace.

**The first quarter of 2025 laid a beautiful foundation - and we’re just getting started.**