

Priorities Exercise – Mentors

Give mentors six issues that the group is considering for funding priorities. Four of the issues will be relevant to the Fund's mission, while two of them will be borderline/not relevant. Have the mentors practice how they will guide new girls to focus on the Fund's priorities during group discussion. Adult leaders can also help by participating in the role playing.

Issues for Discussion:

- Programs to prevent substance abuse for middle school girls
- Counseling to improve girls' self-esteem
- Funds to build playgrounds in inner-cities
- Services to help Latina immigrant girls with English
- Programs that encourage girls' expression through art
- Funds to buy equipment for girls who are interested in film-making

Priority Issues Selected:

- Poverty
- Substance Use and Abuse
- Illiteracy/ESL
- Domestic and Relationship Violence
- Mental Health Issues with specific focus on depression and girls who are dealing with loss/illness