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# CALLING ALL PAST YOUTH DELEGATES TO CSW

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- Have you attended the UN's Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) as a student or youth delegate?
- Did your experience at CSW inspire you to
  - share the stories you heard with others
  - act differently with your friends or in your community
  - or to find a way to respond to the issues affecting women and girls in your area or around the world?

## For this year's 56<sup>th</sup> CSW, we want to hear from YOU.

The power of the CSW can be found not only in the resolutions and discussions amongst governments and international leaders, but also in the localized actions carried out by CSW participants in their own lives, communities, and nations. This year the Loretto Community, along with the Working Group on Girls (WGG) is planning an event that will share the stories of past CSW youth participants and the ways in which they have sought to initiate change for women and girls because of their previous experiences at the CSW. One way we hope to do this is through a video compilation of stories of youth from around the world who have found unique and creative ways, both large and small, to bring the CSW home and continue to affect the lives of women and girls.

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If you are a former youth delegate and were inspired by CSW to act...  
**please send us your story!**

### What we want to know:

- How has CSW inspired you to affect the lives of women and girls in your community, your country, or the world? How have you carried out this experience and shared the CSW with others?
- Please include one word or phrase to finish this sentence "To me, CSW means \_\_\_\_"

### How to send it:

#### Option 1(*Preferred*)

- Send a **short** video clip (less than 1 minute) briefly telling your name, where you are from, when you came to CSW, how CSW has moved you to action, and your one word. If available, please include photos of these actions or of your CSW experience.

#### Option 2

- Send a short paragraph answering the questions above, along with two or three photos of yourself, your work, or your CSW experience if available.

### Where to send it:

Please send all contributions to Emily Thenhaus at [Emily.thenhaus@gmail.com](mailto:Emily.thenhaus@gmail.com) **by January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011**. If you have further questions about formatting, content or if you are having issues emailing your answers, feel free to send questions to the email address above.