To: Anyone interested in global gender equality
From: Gail Burchard, Founder of Together Women Rise, Peacedale Chapter

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Come join us at the Peacedale Congregational Church, Columbia Ave. in Peacedale on January 7, 2025 at 6 pm - bringing a dish to share.

As we will be beginning our new year, Jan. 2025, so happy that we continue onward on our goal to support & contribute to global gender equality. Our January grantee, receiving $45,000, for the year, is Clean Start Africa, which will fund an economic empowerment program designed to provide sustainable economic opportunities & dignity to women transitioning out of prison in Kenya. Most of the women are poor illiterate, single mothers, and the sole breadwinners of their families. The program addresses systemic socio-economic in justices and inequalities that contribute to the incarceration and recidivism of these vulnerable women.

On Jan 2, 2025, the first Thursday of(every) month there is a "Webinar" - which you must register for, on our www.togetherwomenrise.org website. This will tell you more of our work and our grantee of the month. Great this month, since it is BEFORE our chapter potluck.

Books that have been selected by the Book Club Committee for our "Big Reads" are Play Like a Girl, How a Soccor School in Kenya's slums started a revolution, by Ellie Roscher; How Beautiful we Were by Imbolo Mbue and the Salvisoul Cookbook by Karia Tatiana Vasquez.

With contributions we made to Rise being doubled, for our previous month, $2,610.53 was donated , bringing our total donation since our inception to $65,032.59. I can't thank all of our donors enough!!! You give what you can, but our other goal is also to educate, so watching the videos, looking at our website and learning what we are doing and the challenges that others are facing every day, and sharing that interest with others is also a contribution.

Our advocacy group and travel opportunities continue. For more information on both - go to the website.

Hoping to see you in Peacedale..... Tuesday night – All are welcome!

Gail - Chapter leader - Peacedale