## MAPPING THE PATH OF THE GLOBAL WOMEN'S AGENDA WITH THE WOMEN'S INTERCULTURAL NETWORK (WIN) STEPPING STONES IN CALIFORNIA FROM THE 4<sup>TH</sup> WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN, BEIJING, 1995

**May –June 1995**: 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the UN Charter, San Francisco. WIN convened 3 Forums. "Women and the UN: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow. WIN was founded and incorporated in San Francisco 1994

September, 1995: 4<sup>th</sup> World Conference on Women
WIN attended as Apple Computer's global coordinator for on-line daily reports with noted women attendees from Beijing to Cupertino, CA. Apple was the Technology anchor that first engaged women globally on the Internet at the 4WCW.

September, 1996: WIN Co-Sponsored the One Year Later Satellite Conference with Apple Computer

**February, 1996**: California Women's Agenda (CAWA) formed at SFSU Assembly as the first policy mechanism to implement the Beijing Platform for Action at the grassroots. 125 organization representatives crafted the first agenda for California women and girls.

**September, 1996:** Beijing, **One Year Later**, National Satellite Event from DC. with First Lady Hillary Clinton. WIN Co-sponsored with Apple Computer and served as Bay Area Hub with 20 downlinks in California.

**October, 1996:** WIN joined with 29 other US NGOs to form **US Women Connect** (USWC) as the anchor and monitor for the Beijing Platform in the US Administration.

**WIN becomes NGO Consultative to UN ECOSOC: 1998.** Accredits delegates to UN CSW and other UN conferences, convenes panels, and presents statements to UN.

**March 2000 Beijing + 5:** WIN presented California and Region Nine's agendas to Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, President's Interagency Council on Women with other nine US Regions.

**January 2001 – October 2003:** WIN convened seven Leadership Exchanges with Uganda, Afghanistan, and Japan in partnership with the US Dept of State Bureau of Education and Cultural Exchange, using the Beijing PFA issues as framework for discussion.

## WIN AND BEIJING+10 2005, at PAC BELL CENTER, San Francisco, CA

**WIN and BEIJING+15 Sept. 2010:** Women from five of thirty US Women Connect states met with WIN and CAWA representatives in San Francisco to review and recommend actions.

Feb - March 9, 2011: UN CSW Launch of UN Women Office, attended by WIN 's 20 Delegates.

**March 8, 2011:** International Women's Day (IWD) and Women's History Month. Co-Sponsored by Global Arts and Education (GAE) with WIN.

**February 28, 2012:** Convened a panel at the UN CSW 56<sup>th</sup> Session with US Women Connect, Women News Network TEWA Women United, Filipina Women's Network, NOW Foundation and Southwest Airlines on **"Winning Strategies for Economic Participation of Rural and Indigenous Women",** a UN CSW theme.

Each year since 1998 WIN has accredited delegates, and since 2010 has had 20 delegates and 5 to 10 alternates. WIN convenes a Forum each year and co-sponsors panels with partner organizations.

**March 3- 9, 2013.** WIN will take delegates to the 57<sup>th</sup> Session of the UN CSW. WIN is now a member of the UN NGO/CSW NY Committee. WIN is convening a panel on the UN CSW 57 theme: The Elimination and Prevention of all Forms of Violence Against Women and Girls"