



## Our Branch 501(c)(3) Project September 18, 2019

Becoming a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in addition to our current 501(c)(4) status has been discussed at the board level and among members for several years. Last year's Board brought it up for a vote and the Board voted to pursue the 501(c)(3) nonprofit status.

A couple of branches in Colorado have successfully completed 501(c)(3) nonprofit status. We are communicating with these branches because we also want to understand the impact of making the change. These branches have shared the positive outcomes about their change in status.

Our Branch 501(c)(3) project team has met several times so far and outlined the tasks and timelines to accomplish a successful filing and approval by the state and the IRS. It is quite a bit of work to get this accomplished.

We want our members to understand why we are working on this project and the benefits it will give our AAUW branch. If you are interested in learning more about the goal of this restructuring, please click on this link <https://coloradosprings-co.aauw.net> that will take you to our website. In the center of the homepage under **Information for Branch Members** you will see the link to click on for the **FAQs for Changing to 501(c)(3) Nonprofit Status** which we will be updating periodically to keep members informed of our progress.

Our Branch 501(c)(3) project team members are Jeanne Howard (Chairperson), Kathy Olson, Pam Maier, Janet Knox and Chris Toth. If you have any questions or concerns about where we are at on the project, please call or email one the project team members. You will find their contact information in our online branch directory.

We thank you for your support and will keep our members apprised of our progress.