

CFUW ADVOCACY: WHO DOES WHAT

Local Clubs	<p>Responds to issues of national, provincial, and local concern by contacting/meeting local politicians and decision makers, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mayors, reeve, warden • Local School Board • Local Members of Parliament • Local Member of Provincial Legislature • Materials (e.g. letters) should be approved and signed by local Club Presidents. • Partner with local organizations and groups working on similar issues of concern (could also be a local chapter of a national organization CFUW National is working with). <p>If a Club wishes to expand its advocacy and action beyond the local, please connect with your Regional Director or the National Office. They can help.</p>
National Board and Office	<p>Responds to Issues of National and International Concern</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corresponds and meets with federal level politicians and their staff, including the Prime Ministers, Ministers, (in particular Status of Women Canada) and opposition critics and their staff • Participates in United Nations processes including United Nations Commission on the Status of Women and the Human Rights Council • Respond to IFUW requests for advocacy action. • Letters to the PM, Ministers and opposition Critics are signed by National President • Alerts Clubs to national issues, prepares template letters to be sent to Members of Parliament, circulates petitions, and generally encourages participation in national level campaigns • Partners with other national organizations and groups seeking to address similar issues as CFUW.
Provincial Councils	<p>Responds to issues of Provincial concern</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sends letters and briefs to their respective provincial governments, including Premiers, Provincial Ministers and opposition critics, • Materials are signed by Regional VP or Council President • Alerts Clubs to provincial concerns • Partners with provincial organizations and groups to respond to issues of similar concern <p>If a Council or Club wishes to expand its advocacy and action beyond the provincial or local, please connect with the National Office, so that things can be coordinated.</p>
Individual members of Clubs	<p>Can respond to issues at any level of government, but please do not write “on behalf of CFUW”, or use CFUW letterhead.</p>