

In the time of COVID-19, our grantees are feeling undue stress and pressures in delivering services to their communities. They have a lot of impositions on their time and energy. They understand that the Together Women Rise model is unlike other funding organizations where there is considerable member engagement and interactions with grantees. However, they are receiving an unprecedented number of invitations to chapter meetings in the age of Zoom.

As you plan your speaker visits on Zoom please be mindful of these issues. Consider restricting grantee participation in your meetings to 15 minutes. Consider partnering with other chapters so that multiple chapters meeting the same night can have one Zoom link that allows the guest speakers to speak to multiple chapters at the same time. We thank you for your understanding.

## JANUARY

### Afghanistan Libre | Afghanistan

*Due to the current security situation in Afghanistan, Afghanistan Libre is taking additional measures to protect the identities of all of its Afghan team members as to not put them at any additional risk.*

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Eve welcomes joint interviews with Director, Louise Clément

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Louise welcomes joint interviews with Project Manager, Eve Rinauro

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Contact cannot be made directly to this "Azady," however she may occasionally welcome joint interviews with Eve Rinauro in the case that her identity can remain anonymous. She may attend with a translator. Meetings with "Azady" may be scheduled via [contact@afghanistan-libre.org](mailto:contact@afghanistan-libre.org)



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**Nepal CTP team:** Note on time zones: Common Threads staff for Nepal live in Kathmandu and the surrounding valley, where the time is 10 hours, 45 minutes ahead of New York, and 13 hours, 45 minutes ahead of Los Angeles. Given this time difference, it is requested that only chapters in Mountain and Pacific time zones consider inviting speakers from Nepal.

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