

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.

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YM's Malawi-based staff are in Central Africa Time (CAT), which will be 6 hours ahead of Eastern Standard time in the month of May (and 7 hours ahead during Daylight Savings Time). Therefore, please note that Malawi-based staff are available for Zoom presentations beginning no later than noon EST.

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Note all requests for Speakers should be coordinated through **Ujala Syed** via email to [ujala@projectsoar.org](mailto:ujala@projectsoar.org), speakers will be available in Morocco (time zone Casablanca, GMT+1).

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