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Friendship Bridge Honored for International Women's Day
*Local nonprofit selected as WorldDenver's 2023 International Women's Day
Organizational Honoree for its work with Guatemalan women.*

LAKESWOOD, COLORADO: The nonprofit social enterprise, [Friendship Bridge](#), has been selected as [WorldDenver](#)'s 2023 International Women's Day Organizational Honoree, to be recognized at an event on March 8. Friendship Bridge was chosen in recognition of its deep commitment to women in Guatemala through programs that foster economic independence, education, and health.

"We are honored and humbled to be recognized by WorldDenver, who has celebrated the leadership of so many women from different backgrounds and geographies in the past," said Tracie Cordeiro, President & CEO of Friendship Bridge. "We hope this recognition of Friendship Bridge will help draw attention to the great need for Guatemalan women to be empowered and thrive in their businesses with the support of Friendship Bridge's Microcredit Plus program, so they, their families and their communities can build sustainable futures in their own country."

The WorldDenver event, one of the nation's largest [International Women's Day](#) celebrations, will celebrate the global achievements of women through an expert panel of community leaders, a networking plaza, and awards luncheon, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Seawell Ballroom, Denver Center for the Performing Arts, 1101 13th St., Denver.

In addition, centerpieces for the event will consist of handmade Guatemalan goods made by Friendship Bridge's artisan clients—baskets, napkins, beaded coin purses, and tote bags—an order which provided additional income to four entrepreneurs in the program.

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About Friendship Bridge: Friendship Bridge creates opportunities that empower women in Guatemala to build better lives. It combines the tools of microfinance, education, and preventive health services to achieve this goal. Support some of Friendship Bridge's women entrepreneurs by clicking "Shop" at www.friendshipbridge.org or by making an appointment to shop for handmade Guatemalan goods in person at the in-office showroom, 405 Urban St., Ste. 140, Lakewood, Colo., from 9 a.m. to noon, Monday through Thursday. Call 303-674-0717 or email info@friendshipbridge.org.
