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Women have it all these days: successful careers, loving families and even the designer clothes; but what's it all worth without fellow fearless females to share it with? At these 10 women's groups, you'll bond over more than shopping and coffee; rather, you'll make lifelong connections with women whose interests and passions are as unique as you are.



Prime-Time Networking

Small Business 'Sisterhood'

The Tucson branch of the National Association of Women Business Owners, or NAWBO, focuses primarily on connecting women who own small businesses, earning the group its designation as a "sisterhood" of small businesses. Through meetings, workshops and mentoring, NAWBO helps its members become savvy, successful businesswomen. www.nawbotucson.org.

Executive Outreach

Executive Women International (EWI) is geared toward women involved in or managing large firms who wish to network and get involved as movers and shakers in the community. The group offers competitive scholarships to its less-established student members, and outreach programs promote literacy in the community. www.ewitucson.org.

Powerful Relationships

Team Women strives for a more intimate group of members in each chapter, with the maximum number of women in each group topping out at 30. The referral-based organization believes that the more private and personal environment provides networking for its members while also forging stronger and longer-lasting relationships. www.teamwomen.com.

Paving It Forward

Active in the Community

For those interested in helping other women and girls in the community, the Active 20-30 Women's Club is the perfect way to lend a hand. Its members assist other professional members in strengthening their business and social relationships. The club also aids children's organizations in need of financial support. www.2030women.com.

Promoting Educational Equality

Promoting education for women and girls in Tucson is the main objective of The American Association of University Women (AAUW). This group supports equality through means of discussions, scholarships and other educational events. www.aauw-tucson.org.

Equalizing Opportunity

Aiming to foster equity and opportunity for women and girls is the Women's Foundation of Southern Arizona. This foundation raises money to encourage female involvement in education, the arts and sports. www.womengiving.org.

Just for Fun

Crossing Party Lines

Interested in politics? The League of Women Voters of Greater Tucson is a non-partisan group that encourages political interest and participation. Its members support active involvement in all levels of politics and achieve this by providing information to the public without bias toward any one party or candidate. www.timetovote.info.

For the Love of the Game

Tucsonans love the glorious game of golf. Therefore, a group for all the women dedicated to the sport is a must. The Southern District Women's Golf Association of Arizona provides support for women golfers and is associated with over 20 golf clubs in and around Tucson. www.sdwga.com.

Queens of Kraft

WomanKraft is the perfect association for artsy folk. It champions and empowers women artists and other underrepresented cultural groups. WomanKraft showcases these goups through exhibits, workshops and classes. www.womankraft.org.

Meet and Greet

If you want to meet other women in a less formal atmosphere, Meetup.com is the place to look. A simple search for women's groups in Tucson reveals a number of groups, like the Tucson Eastside Women's Social Meeting or the Brunch Dining Out Meetup, whose members love mixing and mingling with new people at local restaurants. www.meetup.com.