

TechGirls Evaluation: Host Family Survey

[Consent Statement – Online Administration]

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Please note that your participation in this survey is voluntary, and you are free to end the survey at any time. By clicking the "Consent and enter survey" button below, you are consenting to the following terms:

- Your participation in this evaluation is voluntary. We do not anticipate that
 participating in this evaluation will result in any risks or direct benefit to you.
 However, your inputs may lead to recommendations that benefit the TechGirls
 program—and, thereby, the general public. You may skip any questions you are not
 comfortable answering.
- The information that you provide in the survey will be used to write a report. This report will be shared with the U.S. Department of State and other stakeholders for comment and will eventually be made public. Any responses you provide may be reported in the final report as part of the anonymized aggregated quantitative analysis or the de-identified qualitative analysis from open-ended responses.
- The U.S. government and its contractors will take reasonable measures to protect privacy data, personally identifiable information, and other sensitive data obtained from the survey.
- Data about your post-program connections with TechGirls will be used to generate maps of the linkages within and across countries.
- The data you provide may be reanalyzed at a later date for a follow-up study or other purpose as approved by the U.S. Department of State. The data may be made available to third parties as required by law.
- You may withdraw your consent at any time by contacting <u>ECAEvaluation@state.gov</u>.

Privacy Act Statement

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implementing partners and external researchers who are assisting ECA in measuring its impact. More information on the Routine Uses for the system can be found in the System of Records Notice State-08, Educational and Cultural Exchange Program Records.

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Please answer the questions to the best of your ability and use the comment boxes to provide fuller answers and more insight on your experiences with TechGirls. Thank you in advance for your time and input!

CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE

By clicking the button to enter the survey by	below, you are giving your consent to participate in
this evaluation. If you do not wish to particip	pate, please click the exit survey link below.
Consent and Enter Survey O	Refuse and Exit Survey \bigcirc

Thank you for agreeing to complete the survey! The estimated time to complete the survey is 10 to 15 minutes. Please answer each question to the best of your ability.



[Consent Statement – Administered by Phone/Web-based Communication Platform] [Researcher to read consent statement below]

Thank you for taking time to speak with me today. My name is _______, and I am a researcher on the TechGirls evaluation. Dexis, an independent third-party evaluation firm, has been contracted by the U.S. Department of State to conduct an evaluation of the TechGirls program to assess the effectiveness of program interventions to date and to strengthen future program interventions. As a stakeholder in the program, your unique perspectives will assist us in understanding the impact of TechGirls. The evaluation will be used to make informed decisions about future programming efforts. The survey contains 16 questions and should take no more than 10 to 15 minutes to complete.

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Do you have any questions about this survey or the TechGirls evaluation more broadly? [If the respondent asks questions, answer them.]

[If the respondent asks a question concerning privacy, the voluntary nature of their participation, or use of the data, read the below.]

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We have another statement that may help answer your questions. [Read the Privacy Act statement.]

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Do you consent to participate in this evaluation?

[If the respondent says yes, record the consent in the online survey and proceed with question 1. If the respondent says no, thank the respondent and end the call.]



Thank you for agreeing to complete the survey! The estimated time to complete the survey is 10 to 15 minutes. Please answer each question to the best of your ability.

Section 1. Personal Information

- 1. Name:
- 2. What year(s) have you hosted TechGirls? (select all that apply) 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019

Section 2. Ongoing Contact

- 3. Have you maintained contact with the TechGirls you hosted since they returned home? Yes, no (skip to Q13)
- 4. Please enter the name of a TechGirls alumna with whom you have had contact.

(Note: If you had contact with more than one TechGirls alumna, please write only one name here. You will be able to add information about additional TechGirls alumnae in the next section.).

For the alumna with whom you have had contact, please answer the following:

- 5. Home Country (Algeria, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Palestinian Territories, Tunisia, United States, Yemen)
- 6. Start Date of Contact (month and year)
- 7. End Date of Contact [if on-going, please leave blank] (month and year)
- 8. Frequency of Contact? daily, weekly, biweekly, monthly, quarterly, annually
- 9. Have you had difficulty maintaining contact? no, no difficulty (skip to question 10; yes, moderate difficulty; yes, extreme difficulty

10. Why has maintaining contact been difficult?	
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11.	How	would y	ou de	escribe the	primary	focus	of y	our contact	with the	TechGirls	? (e.g.,
	simpl	ly mainta	ining	contact, p	providing	advic	e on	education in	the US,	providing	advice
	on	travel	or	relocation	to i	the	US,	providing	career	advice,	etc.)

Section 3. TechGirls Impact

12 Based on	your	experience,	what,	if	any,	has	been	the	impact	of	the	program	on	the
TechGirls?														

13. What, if any, has been the impact of the TechGirls program on you and your family?

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Section 4. Recommendations
14. Would you be interested in hosting again in the future? Yes (skip to Q17) / no
15. Why would you not be interested in hosting again?
16. What recommendations would you make to strengthen the program for future cohorts? (If none, leave blank)
You have completed the TechGirls Host Family survey. Thank you for your assistance!