Attention girls of the Salvation Army? We need YOU to celebrate the International Day of the Girl (IDG 2019)! Did you know that every October 11th the world celebrates GIRLS?! Help us honor girls like you by sending us your stories. Reflect on a moment in your life where you thought “**THIS is what it means to be a girl where I live!**” It could be a time when you or girls you know overcame an obstacle, shared a moment of connection, stood up for yourself, a life turning point, an act of bravery, or an adventure with friends!

**We are looking for original stories, poetry, creative writing, videos, performances, photography, artwork, songs or declarations about what it means to be a girl where you live!**

A diverse collection of bold, inspiring, funny, and everyday stories written by girls, for girls to be performed LIVE at the United Nations in New York City on October 11th for the 2019 IDG Girls Speak Out!

October 11th is your day to celebrate and SPEAK OUT about what it means to be a girl. Leaders at the UN and other girls need to hear your story. Help us showcase the issues girls face and how powerful girls are. Submit your story and help make this year’s Girls Speak Out the best one yet!

Here is what you need to do:

1. Be a girl (or a group of girls) 18 years or younger.
2. Answer the question, what does it mean to be a girl where you live today?
3. Tell us your story. Send your original work and consent form to us by August 9th. Any submission after August 9th will be used but may not get a shout out on October 11th.

Please make sure your submission is in one of these formats:

- Poetry or monologue (maximum 300 words)
- Video (maximum length of 2 minutes)
- Photograph (jpeg files of at least 500 x 500 pixels)
- Art or graphic design (jpeg files of at least 500 x 500 pixels)
We ask that you put your performance or monologues on Youtube and send us the link. Please send all Photographs, art work or poetry and Youtube links to IHQ-ISJC@Salvationarmy.org, attention Major Victoria Edmonds

Thank you, and together we can show what Girls in the Salvation Army can do to change the world.