

# Gender Equality

We've come a long way  
– haven't we?

**Is gender equality something you think about?  
Or react to, fight for? Is gender equality important  
to you and if so, in what way?**

The Swedish achievements within gender equality are often hailed as inspiring examples to the rest of the world. Regardless of whether they have been made possible because of tradition, Swedish culture or legislation, several steps have been taken to ensure that women and men have equal opportunities and equal power to shape society and their own lives.

We would like to show you some examples of these achievements and the work still needed to meet the six sub-goals of gender equality set up by the Swedish government:

- **Equal division of power and influence.** Women and men are to have the same rights and opportunities to be active citizens and to shape the conditions for decision-making.
- **Equality in Education.** Women and men, girls and boys should have the same opportunities and terms, when it comes to education, choice of studies and personal development.
- **Economic equality.** Women and men must have the same opportunities and conditions as regards education and paid work to give them economic independence throughout life.
- **Equal distribution of unpaid housework and provision of care.** Women and men must have the same responsibility for housework and have the opportunity to give and receive care on equal terms.
- **Equality in Health.** Women and men, girls and boys must have the same conditions for a good health and be offered care on equal terms.
- **Men's violence against women must stop.** Women and men, girls and boys, must have the same right and access to physical integrity.

This presentation is in no way comprehensive, but hopefully it will inspire you to reflect upon, discuss and initiate the changes still needed to reach gender equality, wherever you happen to live in the world.

