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Mary Mliswa shares with us one of the many things she learned about at the Commission on The Status of Women in New York in 2017.



Attending CSW61 in 2017 was a fantastic experience for me and indeed it was an eye opener. I was totally amazed at how much work us women are doing to be recognised and be empowered as well as empower other women. I learnt a lot and went to many events and the one in particular which excited me was the one for making a solar stove which pretty much is like a slow cooker equivalent. Living in Zimbabwe which has a lot of issues with electricity I found it rather interesting. We have a lot of sun in Zimbabwe so when I got back I shared what I had learned with the women at my church. As I had written the material required we even went the extra mile and made a solar stove powered by the sun. We experimented it to cook chicken...It took the whole day but it worked and at zero cost on electricity. The chicken was so tasty and for me it was indeed an achievement because I had learnt it at the CSW61. I look forward to attending CSW62 and learning more that I can share and empower the women in my country.

