

Community Impact Program Award

2022-2024 Community Impact Program Award

Contact: Lynn Cline

The GFWC Community Impact AWARD offers GFWC Clubs financial incentive to implement projects designed to impact a specific problem in the community. Introduced in 1949 as the “Build a Better Community” and later known as “Community Improvement Program” the offering awards to reporting clubs on their interest in the needs of the communities they serve. The major accomplishments of GFWC, is to offer the helping hands in many ways for the community the club serve. We are not just clubs to have fun and give monies, we work very hard to reach out. Offering membership for those of the community is our large goal. The GFWC Organization offers many advantages. We have in our organization an opportunity to advance in our learning capabilities. By reaching out to our community we find the many ways to help those in need. We offer advantages to those otherwise not able to find avenues in many subjects worthwhile to their world. Life is a gathering of knowledge that fills spaces not yet touched and being a member of GFWC gives that opportunity.

This of course leads to the team work and brain storming of our club members to find the needs of the community and to give what we can give for the betterment. This CIP program offers the flexibility to our clubs to handle the implementation of three projects that have a meaningful impact on a particular problem. The club can work quarterly on one project from “beginning to fruition” Some efforts, could require more rigorous planning an implementation. **This is for the team work of the club to administer.**

This is a (two year) Administration project. The goal of this award, however, remains the same-

Encourage and recognize the positive impact that a club can have on a specific need in the Community.

- Award period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022
- GFWC State Award: \$100 First place
- GFWC National Award: First Place winners are given \$2500 within the Six State Membership Categories.

Contest descriptions: Each entry can feature one to three local projects undertaken by a club, all accomplished during award period Each entry should include one page of information on each project {maximum 500 words} to highlight.

Project Goals

- Plan of action including timeline
- Engagement of members, including total hours
- Financial/Funding details, including total contributed
- Collaborating partners or individuals

- Media coverage
- Measurable impact (s)
- Any other key information

Each entry may contain one page of photographs for each project (max 4 per page)

Each entry can contain one page of publicity highlights for each project (max 4 per page)

Total entry can not exceed 10 pages: A Community Impact Program Award Cover Form plus Three additional pages for each project (info page, photo page, publicity page)

Clubs that have previously won this award must submit entirely new projects for consideration
Expanded projects will not be considered.

Joint entries of clubs not allowed.

All monetary awards must be used to further the community Impact initiative. Award entries of national winners will be kept in the GFWC Women’s History & Resource Center

Club entries are to be sent to Lynn Cline GFWC/WS Chairman by March 1st 2024

All Forms can be found in GFWC Manual or GFWC/WS Manual under “Community Impact Program” Forms. (CIP Chairman, will have entry forms available at Spring Board}

Additionally, GFWC clubs are encouraged to consider the community connection:

- Raise Awareness to Hope and Help
- Arts and Culture Community Historical Gems
- Civic and Outreach: A Little Thanks goes a Long Way
- Education and Libraries: Bring the Sparkle to Public Libraries
- Environment: Sparkling Seeds, Brilliant Butterflies, Glamorous Garden Gloves
- Health and Wellness: Physical Fitness Opportunities for all ages

2. Describe the community collaboration, plan of action, and the obstacles encountered while working on this project.

3. Outline permanent results achieved, both tangible and intangible. Was the project successful? What are the long-term effects of the project on the community?

STATISTICS

Club CIP Chairman		
Phone	-	-
Email		
Club President		
Phone	-	-
Email		
Mailing Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Club President's Signature		

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MARCH 1, 2022

Make two copies of completed form and accompanying materials. Send one to the GFWC Community Impact Program Award State Chairman and keep one for the club's files.