



Top Projects

From the 2016 Award Entries

These programs and projects were selected as the Top Projects by the GFWC Special Project, Community Service Program, and Advancement Area Chairmen. The lists were comprised from the State Award Entries and Club Creativity Award Entries submitted by state chairmen.



EDUCATION COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM

Street of Dreams

GFWC Woman's Club of San Diego's Evening Stars (CA) supported a project called "Street of Dreams," a program for teen mothers that provides college prep classes and promotes creativity through music and arts education.

A Wish Tree for Books

GFWC Woman's Club of Matawan (NJ) collected books for children during the holidays. They placed a wish tree in a local bank and the public library. Handmade ornaments were hung on the tree with a tag specifying a particular book to be purchased. Participants keep the ornament, but donate a book for homeless children.

Book Fairy Project

The GFWC North Pinellas Woman's Club (FL) collected gently used books through their Education Association and the local high school. Club members dress up as the book fairy (costumes, wigs, and all) and deliver books to local elementary schools.

Read It Again, Please

GFWC Fidelis Inter Se Club of Celina (TX) planned a celebration in conjunction with the local Cinco de Mayo Celebration to promote literacy. Children, teachers, and club members created bilingual books. They also had art students design the art work.

Tutors for Students

One member of the GFWC Braintree Woman's Club (MA) shared her experience with other members of her club and they formed a group of eight members who supported children in their local elementary schools. They created special lessons of historic interest, as well as the basics.

Back to School Wishes on Wheels

GFWC Escanaba Woman's Club (MI) collects and donates school supplies and backpacks for local children in a "Back to School, Wishes on Wheels" Program. Remarkably, the entire community is on board and gives the club amazing support.

Chick Chat

GFWC Downers Grove Junior Woman's Club (IL) initiated a program of club members working with young school girls dealing with social, emotional, and educational issues.

Little Free Library

GFWC Woman's Citizenship Club of Colorado adopted the free library plan—bring a book, take a book. This works well in communities that do not have a public library in their community.

Pioneer Schoolhouse Day

GFWC Anchorage Woman's Club (AK) gives children the opportunity to experience life in a 1915 classroom. Members dress in authentic attire to act as teachers, guides, and historians.

Beach Buddies Book Club

GFWC Woman's Club of Point Pleasant (NJ) provides books to children while on vacation at the Jersey shore in a project called "Beach Buddies Books." The books can be found at local establishments throughout the beach communities.