

CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
CLUB AWARD ENTRY COVER SHEET
Annual Reporting January 1- December 31, 2023

Chairman: Julie Molitor	Club: Barber City	
Number of Members (<i>per CFWC Yearbook</i>): 31	District: Orange	Area: C
Club Position: 1st Vice president		
Reporter's Address: [REDACTED]		
City: [REDACTED]	State: [REDACTED]	Zip: [REDACTED]
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<u>ENVIROMENT</u>		
Name of GFWC Special Program, Community Service Program, Advancement Plan or ESO		

Barber City Women's Club

Founded in 1927, Barber City Women's Club (BCWC) was named after the independent community from which it came, 'Barber City', located in the northwest Westminster, California (pop 89,397; 2022) and incorporated into Westminster in 1957. BCWC, originally formed for the improvement of local roads. In the 97 years since, BCWC has expanded into an organization of talented, educated, community focused people dedicated to the advancement and support of education, philanthropic and charitable activities for the local community, as well as internationally.

BCWC is the oldest continuously operating non-profit agency in Westminster, CA. Our 31 (thirty one) members utilize their talents and knowledge in event planing and organizing; creating and selling artistic crafts, baked goods, decor, jewelry, and sewn items; and hosting a multitude of fun, fundraising events-all to ensure success of the agencies we support throughout the year.

Proceeds from our activities go to:

- Interval House (multi service domestic violence program),
- Safety, health, understanding and education (SHUE) program at Westminster Senior center,
- Meals on Wheels at Westminster Senior center,
- Mental Health Association (multi-service center, Santa Ana),
- School in Malawi via Direct Connections to Africa (DCTA), and
- Food Pantry donations, We Care
- Pet Supply donations, Long Beach Animal Care Services
- Cash scholarships (\$500 x3, \$800 x1) awarded to Female residents of Westminster who are pursuing higher education and/or training at a local college, university, or vocational school.

Outreach: Media including social, banners, and flyers

-Hours. 100 Donated \$213 in kind \$200

We have been creating more of a presence on multiple social media sites including Nextdoor, Facebook, Craigslist, email blast, creating text alert list. Advertise fundraising events and scholarship notifications, as well as post the BCWC "Update". We hope this will help the environment with decreasing our use of paper and resources needed for a mailed out paper 'update'.

Recycle batteries, cellphones, pull tops, dinnerware, flatware

-Hours 10 Donated 0 in kind 0

We created spaces at our club house to help members recycle multiple times to keep them out of the landfill and/or donate to various agencies, including: Domestic violence survivors (cellphones for Interval House), can pull tops for Ronald McDonald's House of Long Beach, and we clean and reuse plastic "disposable" dinnerware and flatware-again to prevent more trash piling up in the landfill.

“in lieu” donations-Birthday, memorials, anniversaries, etc.

Hours 10 Donated 0 in kind \$1,500

In lieu of gifts, some members are asking family and friends to donate to BCWC in general or scholarship fund. Sadly, some of the money has come from memorials due to loss of life (\$800); for one member’s 80th birthday, she asked for donations in lieu of Birthday gifts and another’s 70th wedding anniversary donation totaled about \$600! This activity might also have a coincidental benefit for the environment-as donating to worthy causes instead of buying things people don’t need or want, prevents more stuff from going into the landfill.

Mental Health Association of Orange County

Hours 40 Donated 0 in kind \$1000

Mental Health Association of Orange County has a multi-service center located in central Santa Ana. Their services include a wellness center, homeless/mental health outreach team, homeless/mentally ill folks linked to multiple services, nutritional support, veteran case management support service, employment services, mental health and recovery services, Social Security assistance, street medicine team, and much more for the increasing population of mentally ill and homeless folks in Orange County.

Our members often bring an untold amount of donated items through out the year, especially clothing and toiletries for members of the service center. We hope this accomplishes at least two goals: help the staff and clients at MHA and prevent usable items to fill the landfills.

Just before the holidays, we gathered McDonald’s \$5 gifts cards (44, in kind donations), new and used clothing (including much needed new undergarments), hand crocheted hats and scarves, toiletries, and about 7 boxes of gently used clothing.