

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]		
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<u>FUNDRAISING</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 planning 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.

Monthly Bunco

Hours 500 Donated \$600 In kind \$1200

BCWC Bunco dice game, is a recurring event we host on the 3rd Sunday of the month, at 2pm. It provides us the opportunity for fundraising as well as social interaction for BCWC members and community BCWC supporters. Reaching out to the community with club updates/flyers, banners and social media has helped us grow core group attendance. Snacks; opportunity drawings; and prizes for the most Buncos, most wipeouts, most losses, and most Buncos, provide multiple chances to win-quite an exciting afternoon for all players.

Monthly Mexican Train Dominoes

Hours: 100 Donated \$0 In Kind \$340

Monthly Mexican Train Dominoes is another fun, fundraising event which we developed to support our education projects with SHUE and the kids in Malawi. It is regularly scheduled at 5:30pm on the second Friday of each month. Advertising with club updates/posters, banners and social media has helped us grow

core group attendance. Prizes are awarded for the most wins. Opportunity drawings of beautiful gift baskets also help in the fund raising. As of our start date of October 2023, we generated \$340 for education funds for SHUE and DCTA.

Biannual Craft Fair, bake sale and luncheon

Hours 2,500 Donated \$0 In kind \$5,000

BCWC semi-annual Craft Fair, Bake sale and luncheon generates funding for our general, as well as our scholarship funds. The Spring and Fall BCWC Craft Fair includes many of our artiste crafters who participate each year, as well as some fabulous new artistes with new crafts and ideas. The fair provides a wide variety of crafts including crocheting, sewn items, plants, ceramics, woodworking, homemade jams, original photography, handmade cards, jewelry, and gourd art, are some of the items sold by our vendors. A delicious lunch is available for our vendors and shoppers which increases the sense of community. We utilized advertising through posters/flyers, social media, and a local realtor handed out flyers, greatly increasing the number of shoppers during the fall event.

Scarves for Scholarships

Bev Hours 1000 Donated \$0 In kind \$500

One member who relocated to Wisconsin donated yarn. Another Member knitted scarves giving them for a \$15 scholarship donation. Bev began making them available at the craft fairs and our monthly fundraisers/ social events which culminated to \$290

Friday Night Dinner at the Club

Hours 500 Donated \$0 In kind \$800

One of our members has organized and prepared dinner for twenty(20) people, regularly on the first Friday of each month starting in June 2023. The twenty spaces are available by reservation. These events support community camaraderie and assist in recruiting new members and supporters. This event has increased the sense of community as well as money (over \$2,600) for our general fund.

Change for Change

Hours 10 Donated \$0 In kind \$241

We began a "change for change" collection box is passed around at events for us donate our loose change. Donations of this 'loose change' contributed about \$240 to our general fund in 2023.

Janis Nagy Memorial Scholarship fund

Hours 2 donated \$0 In kind \$800

When one of our past presidents passed away this year, her family requested donations be made to the Barber City Scholarship fund in lieu of flowers. This scholarship totaled \$800 and was made available for one recipient. The recipient happened to be a retired veteran graduating from the local community college and continuing studies in business entrepreneurship at California State University, Fullerton.

Scholarships BCWC Scholarship Fund

Hours 200 donated \$2,300 in kind \$1,500

We reach out to local schools (high schools, colleges, universities, vocational schools), members and leaders in the community, chamber of commerce, promoted at our craft fairs, and social media. Also, for her 80th Birthday, one of our members asked friends and family to donate to the BCWC scholarship fund. About \$525 was given to BCWC, for her birthday in July, which is how the "BCWC in lieu of gift donations" began.

Rodrigo's Night Out.

Hours 20 Donated 0 In kind \$25

Planned a fund raising event to have dinner at a local restaurant who donated 15 % of every meal from members with coupon presentation. Rodrigos sent a check for \$76 a short time after the event.

BCWC Donations "in lieu" of gifts-Birthday, memorials, anniversaries, etc.

Hours 10 Donated 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! Well over \$1,500 in 2023 given in lieu of gifts!