



CLUB AWARD ENTRY FORM

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Number of Members in Club (as according to the CFWC Yearbook): 45			
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PUBLIC ISSUES

The Barber City Women's Club (BCWC), founded in 1927, serves the city's 89,700 residents and was named after the independent community of Barber City, which is located within the City of Westminster. The Club initially began for the improvement of the local roads and has evolved into a group dedicated to the advancement of charitable, cultural, educational, and philanthropic opportunities within the community. The Barber City Women's Club is the oldest, continuously-operating non-profit organization in Westminster. The club has forty-five members who contribute their talents in organizing, event planning, logistics, networking, baking, sewing, crocheting, decorating, landscaping and clubhouse maintenance. All fundraising proceeds go to support Scholarships; Domestic Violence Shelters; Veterans; Project Safety, Health, Understanding, Education (S.H.U.E.); the Mental Health Association of Orange County and a School in Malawi, Africa. Some examples of the Club's "hands-on" approach include stuffing two thousand one hundred ninety-eight Easter eggs with candy for homeless children and making gift baskets for the homeless, domestic violence victims and veterans. Members also make blankets and ponchos for the homeless and mentally ill as well as donate clothing, towels, shoes, personal items and McDonald's Gift Cards to the local homeless shelter. In addition, our Club partners with the Assistance League of Huntington Beach by donating clothing, housewares, bedding, toys, and collectibles for sale at their Thrift Store, which benefits local school children-in-need, the homeless and domestic violence victims. Our members are also known for their baked goods, such as baked breads, cookies and cupcakes, as well as homemade jams; these items can be purchased at the Club's Lunches, Craft Fairs, and the City of Westminster Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. Most club activities are held in our Clubhouse, which was donated to the Barber City Women's Club in the early 1930's. It has historically been used for a multitude of neighborhood events, including an Orange County library and polling site; church services; yard sales; neighborhood potluck dinners and bake sales; piano recitals; Boys & Girls Scout meetings; fruit sales and other community events.

1. Project: Chamber of Commerce Membership

Hours: 60 – Donated: \$296 – In Kind: \$200

In order to increase the visibility of the Barber City Women's Club and our projects, we became members of the Westminster Chamber of Commerce in 2014. While attending their monthly luncheons, members use these opportunities to network with local individuals and businesses to advertise our fundraisers and to encourage attendance at our events. The networking has been helpful in referrals we have used for business and attendees at our fundraisers. To encourage participation in our Club activities, we donate gift baskets and tickets to our fundraisers at the Chamber's monthly luncheon door prize drawing.

2. Project: Coupons for the Military**Hours: 60 – Donated \$66 – In Kind \$500**

Collecting coupons for the military has been an ongoing project for several years. Members bring the weekly coupons from newspapers to our monthly meeting. The chairwoman sends to the military organizations that support our troops.

3. Project: Long Beach Veterans Hospital Gardens**Hours: 20 – Donated: \$200 – In Kind: \$500**

A Barber City Women's Club member has volunteered for many years at the Veteran's Administration Gardens. She created a program for Veterans to learn gardening skills, knitting, crocheting, and the repurposing/redesign of discarded items. The discarded items are repurposed to provide supplies for the many projects in the gardens. During this past year, she has taken these donations and was able to create a fairy garden, planters made from old drawers, and benches for the garden.

4. Project: Multicultural Fest "Thanks to Heroes"**Hours: 10 – Donated: \$350 – In Kind - \$0**

The Chamber of Commerce lunch connection provided us with the opportunity to connect with the OCMFEST (Orange County Multicultural Fest). The lunch honored and remembered South Vietnamese and American Veterans who served in Vietnam. Ten Veterans were honored at the event.

5. Project: Pillar of Achievement Award**Hours: 100 – Donated: \$0 – In Kind: \$50**

One of our member's husband became Executor of the American Legion of Inglewood charged to distribute moneys left when the American Legion of Inglewood disbanded. He gave \$45,000 to Barber City Women's Club during this past year. Additionally, we provided him the opportunity to meet with several other organizations. Golden West Community College has a Veterans program that received \$50,000 for a Pillar of Achievement. The money has been placed in a trust to fund a Veterans scholarship in perpetuity. There is a Pillar of Achievement on campus with the American Legion of Inglewood's name on it. Additionally, he gave funds to the Veteran's Administration Gardens in Long Beach, Life's Tool Box and the Veteran's program through the Mental Health Association of Orange County.

6. Project: Veteran's Buddy Boxes**Hours: 1288 - Donated \$1000 – In Kind: \$1920**

The Cypress Women's Club asked for clubs to volunteer to donate buddy boxes. We donated fifty boxes which held twenty items. Some members made crocheted beanies. To promote our Club, we included our club bookmarks listing our ongoing events, a promotional pen with our name, address and LED light, and a handwritten thank you note to each veteran, on special Club photo card. The value of each box was estimated at \$59. Thirty-two boxes were distributed to Long Beach Veterans at the Community Living Center, sixteen to previously homeless Veterans at Potters Lane/American Family Housing and two to local Veterans.

7. Project: Orange District Convention**Hours: 100 - Donated \$400 - In Kind: \$200**

Eight members clad in Dr. Seuss aprons and "Read Across America Hats" participated in the Orange District convention held at the Tustin Ranch Golf Course. One of our members created an elaborate center piece which won 3rd place. The Doctor Seuss books exhibited as part of the center piece were donated to the Read Across America project. Our group looked very snazzy in their outfits as they walked up to receive awards.

8. Project: Camp Pendleton US Marine Corps 3rd Battalion "Mini Baby Shower"**Hours: 200 – Donated: \$500 - In Kind: \$1000**

Networking through the Westminster Chamber of Commerce provided us the opportunity to meet Diana Carey. She is actively involved in the Camp Pendleton U.S. Marine Corps 3rd Battalion "Mini Baby Shower" baskets throughout the year. Many of the pregnant wives are without their spouse for the baby's delivery. She presented to our club with a list of needs which includes baby diapers, layette clothes and other baby supplies. Our generous members loved this project and donated handmade blankets, teddy bears and many onesies to provide baskets to the families celebrating a new arrivals birth. Additionally, the Club donated \$250 worth of Costco baby diapers.