



CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
CLUB AWARD ENTRY COVER SHEET
Annual Reporting January 1 - December 31, 2020

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Barber City Women's Club (BCWC}, founded in 1927, is named after the independent community of Barber City located on the Northwest corner of Westminster. Originally, the club began for the improvement of local roads and has evolved into an incredibly talented group of women dedicated to the advancement of philanthropic and charitable opportunities. Barber City Women's Club, is the oldest nonprofit continuously operating agency in Westminster. Although COVID-19 curtailed our usual participation, Barber City Women's Club continued to donate scholarships for local women to pursue their education. We also donated to the American Family Housing project in Midway City a start-up shelter; with bedding, small appliances, and dishes to help place twenty-five Veterans and unsheltered people into permanent housing. Our Domestic Violence project provided holiday gift cards and one thousand dollars, with items such as baby blankets, bedding, and personal items such as hand lotion and bedding. We again partnered with the organization, Direct Connections to Africa for our International Malawi project sending over ten boxes of school supplies shipped throughout the year. The school children were delighted, in response sending us photos and a letter from their teacher expressing their excitement at receiving much-needed school supplies. In addition, we spent two hundred dollars on school supplies for the American Family Housing and Interval House. Barber City Women 's Club voted to give holiday gifts to our Senior Center, Meals on Wheels program so we provided two pre-stamped handmade cards and a plush holiday toy which was delivered with their meal. With time on our hands, a club beautification project began, and crate gardens now add a touch of friendliness to our clubhouse. An electronic lift was installed at our clubhouse enabling physically challenged members and visitors to participate in all our activities. Historically, the Barber City Women's Club clubhouse has been utilized for a variety of community events including the Orange County Library, voting site, church services, yard sales, potluck dinners, and bake sales; along with Boys and Girls of America meetings, and other community events.

Education

1. Project: Scholarships

Hours: 80 - Donated \$3,000 - In- Kind\$0

Three \$1000 scholarships were awarded to female residents of Westminster in the pursuit of higher education. The applications for these scholarships were distributed to the local high schools, community colleges, Interval House, American Family Housing and the Westminster Chamber of Commerce. The money for the scholarships came from our fundraising activities. We had over thirty applicants this year. The scholarship committee consists of the President and three volunteers, using a rated scale with each application reviewed and scored individually by the four members. The scholarships are rewarded to the highest score applicants. The recipients attended a monthly Barber City Women's Club meeting to receive their award certificates and check.

2. Project: Direct Connections to Africa

Hours: 25 - Donated \$200 - In-Kind: \$800

Ten boxes of school supplies, including notebooks, note cards, pens, paper clips, staplers, rubber bands, erasers, pencils, seeds, reader books, and colorful calendars were sent to two teachers in the village of Magoba, Malawi, Africa. Members volunteer to pack each box and estimate cost, weigh, and ship. Notebooks are often used as incentives for good work. Some of the children walk six miles to attend school. Each teacher has on hundred and twelve grade school children. Classrooms are in short supply, so teachers teach under a tree. This year the students were not allowed to come to school if they did not have a mask. Families shared one mask so each of their children could attend at couple of days of school each week. Each year Esmie writes back to thank us and tell us how much these materials mean to the students' progress.

3. Project: School supplies

Hours: 10 - Donated: \$200 - In-Kind: \$400

School supplies were purchased and brought to Interval House and American Family prior to the school year since most of the children were doing schooling remotely, they still needed school supplies. Our members purchased crayons, pencils, pens, notebooks, composition books and binders for students use this year for virtual school.

4. Project: Holiday gifts for Interval house Families

Hours:30 - Donated: 0 - In kind. \$1800

Interval house reported their need for gift cards to facilitate the families to receive needed gift. Our generous members donated over one thousand dollars for gift cards were passed on to the families in need. Additionally, thirteen new twin sheet sets, two pairs of new shoes, four crocheted baby blankets, hand lotions, wrapping paper, ribbons and toys were shared with Interval House.

5. Project: New housing for the homeless

Hours: 50- Donated: \$0- In-Kind \$900

American Family Housing opened a new multi-unit housing complex for twenty-five homeless individuals and twenty-five one- and two-bedroom units for homeless families on July 2nd. They requested donations and once again the Barber City Women's Club rose to the occasion. We donated household items such as dinnerware, electric skillet, deep fryer, hand mixer, coffee pot, iron and five crocheted baby blankets. Additional donations included softer items such as ten pillows, sheet sets for twin and full beds, towel sets, kid's fleece blankets and toothpaste.