



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

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Domestic and Sexual Violence Awareness and Prevention

The Ebell Club of Irvine was founded and federated in 1974. Ebell active membership consists of 19 active members. We also have 2 Honorary members that have a long history of service with Ebell and philanthropy. Three members are also active members of Tustin Area Woman's Club. Our president, Dianne Lundquist, currently serves on the Orange District Board. Two other members have served on the Orange District Board.

We are an aging but active and committed group of people who would most benefit from other club's affiliate activities. Good examples of affiliate success include our partnering with the Tustin Exchange Club for support of our Cuddle Quilt projects and the local catholic church to support the St. Theresa's Orphanage project. Partnering with other groups looks to be a recipe for success for future projects for our small club.

Project Title Human Options - Quilts Hours 720 Donated \$ In Kind **\$1509.00**

Human Options started as a crisis hotline in 1981. A year later they opened the County's first emergency shelter for women. Now they operate an emergency shelter and several transitional housing locations. They also have 7 walk-in centers with a variety of counseling services. To date, Human Options has served more than 32,400 individuals in their counseling and shelter program.

Thirteen years ago, club members began the cuddle quilt sewing project to provide homemade quilts, 48 by 36 inches in size, for women seeking shelter and help from Human Options. In the beginning, as a small club, we could fund and complete about 12 quilts each year. Two years ago, we partnered with the Tustin Exchange Club to increase the funding for the quilt materials. Thanks to this influx of money and some new community volunteer sewers, we have completed and donated 120 quilts in 2020.

One of our club members shops the sales at JoAnn's and M & L Fabrics in order to maximize our funding. In this manner, she has been able to create each one-of-a-kind quilt for about \$15.00. Once she has purchased the fabric for a quilt, she irons the material, cuts the fabrics into 6.5 by 6.5-inch squares, and designs the front of the quilt. Next each sewer receives a ready-to-sew a kit contains a graphic layout of the 48 squares for the topper, the quilt backing, the batting cut to fit the finished topper, coordinating thread, and a set of step-by-step directions that our designer created. Two club members and 6 other volunteer community sewers have provided the loving hands to complete each quilt. In addition to the 720 hours our two club members spend on the project, another 400 hours are contributed by our non-member sewers who assemble each quilt kit.

The Tustin Exchange Club has already given Ebell \$1000 for 2021. In addition, we have been given 20 yards of assorted cotton quilt material by a woman who is no longer able to sew. Therefore, we have set a goal of once again completing 120 quilts for 2021.