



CLUB AWARD ENTRY FORM

Annual Reporting January 1-December 31, 2019

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Number of Members in Club (as according to the CFWC Yearbook): 45			
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ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN

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 and 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: March of Dimes

Hours: 6 – Donated: \$0 – In Kind: \$0

During an Orange District meeting, many clubs had donated diapers for the March of Dimes. After this meeting, two of our members transported all of the diapers to the March of Dimes Office in Irvine.

2. 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.

3. Project: School Supplies

Hours: 100 – Donated \$450 - In Kind \$1,000

For a number of years, the Barber City Women's Club have responded to our supported 'charities' requests to assist with their student's school supply needs. Our members collected crayons, pencils, pens, paper, scissors, glue, composition tablets, binders and backpacks. These items were donated to the children that live at Interval House; American Family Housing; Project Safety, Health, Understanding and Education (*Project S.H.U.E.*) and to the School in Magoba, Malawi.

4. Project: S.H.U.E. Literacy Project

Hours: 50 - Donated: \$200 - In Kind: \$0

Barber City Women's Club collaborated with Project Safety, Health, Understanding and Education (*Project S.H.U.E.*) by submitting a grant proposal to the General Federation of Women's Clubs. We submitted the grant to purchase books from the Scholastic Book Fairs at local schools. Each child earned a book upon completion of the year. The assessment tests for these students demonstrated they had below average results at the beginning of the program and by the end of the year, the students have raised their reading and math scores to higher than average.

5. Project: Family Gifts for Christmas

Hours: 40 – Donated: \$500 – In Kind: \$850

Interval House, a domestic violence shelter, reported that their need for the holidays are gift cards. Our members provided grocery gift cards and department store gift cards for the mothers and family members. Barber City Women's Club members also made fleece blankets for the children in their shelter.

6. Project: Easter Egg Hunt

Hours: 30 – Donated: \$34 – In Kind: \$350

For the Easter Egg Hunt at the American Family Housing Shelter for the Homeless, our members donated over one thousand plastic eggs, filled with candy by our members at our monthly meeting. Another twelve hundred eggs were donated to the Interval House (a domestic violence shelter), Project S.H.U.E. (Safety Health Understanding & Education), Boys and Girls Club of Westminster, and Mental Health Association of Orange County.

7. Project: Direct Connections to Africa

Hours: 100 – Donated: \$400 – In Kind: \$2,000

Twelve boxes of school supplies, including notebooks, erasers, pencils, paper, textbooks, and pencils were sent to two teachers in the village of Magoba, Malawi, Africa. A battery powered pencil sharpener with batteries to which the teacher wrote "It is the first time all the children have sharp pencils. They have been using a razor blade and cut themselves." The teacher, Emma, sent pictures of the children proudly holding the school supplies with the biggest grins of happiness. Books that they would not have access to were also sent. One teacher has one hundred and twelve students. Since classrooms are in short supply, Emma teaches the 2nd grade under a tree. She writes "When it rains in the morning, my class is disturbed because the students cannot sit on wet soil". Emma also wrote "The calculators that were sent did not arrive. Cartons were opened by customs or may have been stolen in transit, especially in Kenya."