



CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS
CLUB AWARD ENTRY COVER SHEET
Annual Reporting January 1-December 31, 2022

Chairman: Dianne Lundquist		Club: Ebell Club of Irvine	
Number of Members : 16		District: Orange	Area: C
Club Position: Dean and Treasurer			
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_____ Advocates for Children _____			

The Ebell Club of Irvine was founded and federated in 1974. The City of Irvine was incorporated in 1971, evolving from a working ranch to a "model city" as planned by the Irvine Company. Today the City of Irvine has grown to over 309,000 residents. Irvine has been named the safest city of its size for more than 17 years. It includes the Orange County Great Park, Pretend City Children's Museum, Irvine Art Museum, 2 universities and a junior college. Most residents are college graduates, the school district is highly regarded, and the population is a diverse mixture of cultures. With the city growing rapidly, one would expect the number of club members to also grow. But what has grown is the number of volunteer organizations with a single mission, such as CHOC guilds, Friends of the Library, and Families Forward. Our club has historically had about 15 energetic members, who are now aging but who are proud to be federated and making a difference.

Project Title: Support St Teresa's Orphanage_ Hours_ 90 _____ Donated \$10,677_ In Kind \$_ 11,450_____

Aiding St Teresa's Orphanage in Ensenada, Mexico, has been a long time project of the Ebell Club of Irvine. People in the community are so willing to support it. For the past 2 years, the facility has been closed due to Covid and only 7 nuns remained there with no income, but the need to maintain the facility for when the children returned. We had been raising money for them by word of mouth or social media and did not realize they had reopened in January 2022 until we sent \$2692 and had someone visit them and give \$320 of his own money in addition and some food. Then we found they reopened and so we planned our Christmas party for the children by having an angel tree. One member printed angels and laminated them with materials paid for by the club. Then she took the angels to a meeting where 4-5 members cut them out. We have 100% club participation in this project as members donate money or gifts for the children or candy and stocking stuffers. Some donate extra gifts or food or paper goods. We were given the names and ages of 159 children and solicited gifts for all plus about 14 extra gifts (10 of which were used at the party because there were children there whose names we had not been given). We made the trip to Ensenada Dec 10 and brought to them the remainder of the money we had collected on their behalf in addition to \$500 cash donations that did not go through our treasury (In-kind). We brought lots of food collected in the community. A church youth group again decorated candy canes for each child and someone sewed stockings which were stuffed with small toys purchased by the club, as well as candy. Two local schools had candy drives for this purpose. We had lots of candy to throw to the children (in lieu of a piñata) as well. It took us 10 vehicles to deliver the donations and one of our group played Santa. Seeing the joy on the faces of the children was the best way to start our own Christmas celebrations.

Project Title: Todd Anglin Backpack Program_ Hours_ 9 _____ Donated \$ 100_ In Kind \$_ 440_____

Among other projects, Todd Anglin provides food in backpacks to children who qualify for free meals at school, when they are asked by the Board of Education to do so, because these children may not have sufficient food at home to feed them over the weekend. Our club members donated food items small enough for the backpacks in 8 months of the year. Five members contributed to this project. The club also donated \$100 to purchase food. One member made sure the donations got to Todd Anglin

Project Title: Easter Basket Program_ Hours_ 50_ Donated \$ 53_ In Kind \$_450__

Friendly Center assists the economically less fortunate through programs and services supporting children and youth enrichment programs, family advocacy and supplemental food programs. They sponsor an annual Easter basket distribution. One member brought this project to the club and transported to the Center the 15 baskets that our club members donated.

Project Title: Card Fronts Program_ Hours_ 12_ Donated \$ 0.00_ In Kind \$_0.00__

St Jude's Ranch for Children provides a safe, nurturing home to thousands of abused and neglected children in Boulder City, NV. They collect greeting card fronts with which the children create new cards and items to sell in support of the Ranch. Members donated 497 card fronts this year. Six members sorted their cards and one member took them to the Ranch.