



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

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**Civic Engagement & Outreach**

The Temecula Valley Woman's Club (TVWC) was founded in 1980. In the year 2020, our 40th year as a vibrant and impactful nonprofit in the Temecula Valley and one of the largest Woman's Clubs in California, we were met with challenges in the way we operated due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We met these challenges and overcame them, conducting our committee meetings online with Zoom and tailoring our community efforts to comply with social distancing guidelines.

Within the club, the **Civic Engagement & Outreach Committee** strives to increase awareness and participation in our local and world community. Traditionally, the committee has focused on two main social issues: **Military Support** and **International Outreach**.

With the COVID-19 pandemic affecting all of our lives in 2020, we expanded our committee's mission to include **Public Health** - making and distributing medical masks to hospital staff, firefighters, our Native American community and local citizens; and **Food Insecurity** - donating funds to a local food pantry.

The Pandemic also affected our traditional projects because of the need for social distancing, but where we could, we followed through on our donations even if we couldn't be there to present them in person.

Unrelated to the Pandemic, we added new efforts when we recognized immediate needs in the community with an Education Grant to Catch a Lift Fund, providing wounded veterans with physical fitness training.

**Project Title: Medical Face Masks Hours: 280 Donated: \$0 In-Kind: \$400**

In the spring of 2020, the COVID-19 pandemic caused shortages of medical supplies including medical face masks. It also became apparent that wearing these masks could benefit the public in inhibiting the transmission of the disease. Several members of the Committee purchased supplies and produced masks for hospital staff, firefighters, our Native American community, local citizens and TVWC members. 525 masks were completed and distributed.

**Project Title: Donation for Transportation Costs to Circle of Care Ministry Food Bank  
Hours: 28    Donated: \$400    In-Kind: \$0**

Circle of Care Ministry is a non-profit food bank in Temecula that serves up to 300 families a day with donations of food during the COVID-19 crisis (up from about 70 families during non-pandemic times). When this crisis of food insecurity in our community came to the attention of the Committee in April, we researched how best to help the organizations serving these needs. At Circle of Care, since most all of the food items are donated by grocery-related companies, we learned that transportation costs to get the donated items to the distribution point was a critical need. We voted for an emergency donation of \$400 to cover these transportation costs. Four members of the Committee volunteered their time to distribute food at Circle of Care.

**Project Title: Education Grant to Catch a Lift Fund    Hours: 12    Donated: \$1,198  
In-Kind: \$0**

Catch a Lift Fund is a non-profit organization that provides wounded veterans with physical fitness training and equipment. The veterans who are part of this program achieve better health, strength and agility, which in turn improves their outlook on life. The Committee requested \$1000 from our organization's Education Grant Fund to go toward funding 2 participants of the program to be trained in a specific fitness platform, so that they may train other participants. The Committee added \$198 from its funds to cover the total cost of \$1,198 for two prospective trainers.

**Project Title: All from the Heart    Hours: 5    Donated: \$300    In-Kind: \$0**

All from the Heart is a local non-profit dedicated to helping active military, veterans and their families. Each year the military's Family Readiness Officers choose families with special circumstances to honor with a celebratory event and gifts. This event was scheduled to be held in March 2020 but was cancelled due to the Pandemic. We were still able to give the gifts and the Committee donated two bicycles with helmets for this worthy cause.

**Project Title: Adopt-A-Troop Military Care Package    Hours: 16.5    Donated: \$0  
In-Kind: \$523**

The Valley Resource Center in Temecula Valley sends monthly care packages to deployed military members each month with nutritious items, hygiene items, and letters of support/encouragement. The Committee collected donations from members for use in these care packages.

**Project Title: Baby Shower at Camp Pendleton    Hours: 100    Donated: \$0  
In-Kind: \$500**

Showers of Support is a non-profit organization which entertains moms-to-be, dads-to-be, siblings and grandparents at baby showers held multiple times throughout the year for Marine Battalions at Camp Pendleton, MCAS Miramar and Marine Corps Air Ground Combat Center-29 Palms. The Committee prepared and individually wrapped sandwiches, side dishes and desserts for 60 individuals celebrating new and imminent births in their families.

**Project Title: Woman's Club Honor for TVWC member and Veteran Navy WAVE  
Hours: 60    Donated: \$0    In-Kind: \$0**

The Riverside Woman's Club honored three local veterans on March 7, 2020 which included one of our TVWC members who served as a WAVE in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War. Awards were given out by city, county and state leaders. Ten TVWC members attended the luncheon to honor her.

**Project Title: Veterans Day Flags Hours: 10 Donated: \$0 In-Kind: \$120**

Each year on Veteran's Day, the Murrieta Rotary Club sponsors a Field of Honor where American Flags can be placed in honor of veterans. The committee advertised for people to participate and purchase flags in honor of family members or friends, and helped place the flags in the field.

**Project Title: Comfort Blankets Hours: 96.5 Donated: \$0 In-Kind: \$210**

Operation Smile provides free and safe cleft palate surgery to children worldwide. TVWC has supported this organization for several years. This year we produced 30 hand-tied fleece blankets to help comfort the children during recovery from their surgery.

**Project Title: Hospital Booties Hours: 5 Donated: 0 In Kind: \$412.79**

In 2019, in preparation for our Holiday Home Tour, the Club purchased a quantity of booties. The booties are used to cover the shoes of attendees as they tour the homes. As the COVID 19 pandemic infected more and more people, a call went out from the Temecula Valley Hospital that they were in desperate need of booties for hospital personnel. The Club had 3,000 booties left over from the 2019 Holiday Home Tour. Since the 2020 Holiday Home Tour had been cancelled, TVWC decided to donate the 3,000 booties to the hospital.