

NEWS & NOTES

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GFWC Hosts National Network to End Domestic Violence President, Stephanie Love-Patterson



Power of Connections to Advocate for Change

GFWC International President
Suellen B. Brazil and National
Network to End Domestic Violence
(NNEDV) President Stephanie LovePatterson met today to discuss
advocacy issues revolving around the
GFWC Signature Program: Domestic
and Sexual Violence Awareness and
Prevention, and how the two
organizations can partner to end
domestic violence nationally.

NNEDV is a leading voice for domestic violence victims and their advocates and ensures those needs receive a fair hearing and are understood by policymakers at the national level. As a membership and advocacy organization of state and territorial domestic violence coalitions, NNEDV works closely with its members to understand ongoing and emerging needs of domestic violence victims.

GFWC and NNEDV's united grassroots efforts bode well for raising public awareness about the public policies needed to end domestic violence and aid survivors. GFWC looks forward to continuing discussions on mutually important advocacy work.



Brazil and Love-Patterson admire a portrait of Jennie June Cunningham Croly, founder of the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

GFWC Advocacy on the Move: GFWC International President Visits with Legislative Staff of Congressman Dale Strong (AL-5)



GFWC International President
Suellen Brazil kicked off the
administration by presenting GFWC
Legislative Priorities on Capitol Hill.
On August 1, 2024, President Brazil,
along with Programs and Public
Policy Specialist Kynnedi TaylorHenry, met with Congressman Dale
Strong's legislative staff to advocate
for key issues in education and
support for victims of domestic and
sexual violence.

Congressman Strong was urged to support federal funding for STEAM programs, enhance broadband access across the United States and its territories, and increase Fiscal Year 2025 funding for the Violence Against Women Act. Additionally, his support was sought for the Kids Online Safety Act (KOSA), which aims to protect minors from harmful online content such as

suicide promotion, eating disorders, substance abuse, sexual exploitation, and illegal products like tobacco and alcohol.

Our leadership is committed to advancing the priorities GFWC has championed since its founding. We will achieve this by fostering relationships with members of Congress and partnering with like-minded nonprofits. We look forward to updating you on the progress of our advocacy efforts.

GFWC NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE POSTER TEMPLATE



You made the request and here it is! Many of you who have already signed up to participate in GFWC NDS on September 28, 2024, asked if there was a poster that was available to advertise your GFWC club project ahead of time or to identify your GFWC club at the project site. Click on the link below to find the poster template complete with GFWC NDS logos and a basic outline of what your finished poster will look like including text boxes for your club's information.

Put up your posters at your local supermarkets, schools, the YMCA, banks, libraries, and anywhere else you think it will be seen, to let your community know what your GFWC club will be doing on Saturday, September 28, and how they can participate. Use automotive masking tape and affix it to your car door for a few days (when it isn't raining, of course). Take one to your local pool. It will be up until Labor Day.

On September 28, make sure there are posters at your project site so your community will know it is not only your GFWC club and your community, but GFWC clubs in communities across the nation battling food insecurity on the same day.

CUSTOMIZE YOUR POSTER

Please note you will need to create a free Canva account at https://www.canva.com/ to personalize the template.



Do you have your 2024 GFWC National Day of Service Buttons?

We have just over 100 NDS buttons available at GFWC Headquarters. Get them while they are HOT!

10 for \$15, plus \$5.00 shipping *buttons sold in sets of 10 only

Place your order at GFWCNDS@GFWC.org today!



Newest GFWC NDS Registrants

REGISTER NOW

564 clubs, 1 region, 7 state federations, 3 districts, 1 city federation and their clubs, 3 national clubs, and one international affiliate have registered for GFWC NDS. We have a goal of 1000 plus registrants. Keep an eye out for the US map next week showing which states will be fighting food insecurity on September 28.

ADDITIONAL REGISTRATION OPTION: EMAIL

If you prefer to register by email, please send a message to GFWCNDS@GFWC.org to sign up for the 2024 GFWC National Day of Service.

Please include:

- Club Contact and Information
- Official Club Name
- Your State Federation
- Brief Description of the Club's Project, If Known (not required)

* New Registrations as of noon Tuesday, August 6, 2024

National Club
GFWC Pierce Arrows

District
GFWC Florida - District 10

GFWC Maine

GFWC Research Club of Limerick

GFWC North Carolina

GFWC Burlington Woman's Club

GFWC North Carolina Wendy's Wildflowers

GFWC Oklahoma GFWC Hugo Inter Se **GFWC** Alabama **GFWC Alabama LEADS Graduates**

GFWC Arizona GFWC Arizona Vi-Sa-Wen Women's Club

GFWC California

GFWC Fallbrook Woman's Club

GFWC Federated East Valley Woman's Club

GFWC Hemet Woman's club GFWC Woman's Club of Lakeside

GFWC Connecticut

GFWC Woman's Club of Greater New Britain

GFWC Florida

GFWC Cutler Ridge Woman's Club, Inc. GFWC Lutz-Land O'Lakes Woman's Club GFWC Southside Woman's Club of Jacksonville

GFWC Woman's Club of Lake Worth GFWC Woman's Club of Welaka, Inc.

GFWC Georgia

GFWC LaFayette Woman's Club

GFWC Idaho

GFWC Boise Columbian Club

GFWC Illinois

GFWC Illinois Lansing Woman's Club GFWC Woman's Club of Aurora

GFWC Iowa

GFWC Grundy Center Woman's Club GFWC Peterson Tuesday Club

GFWC Kentucky

GFWC Berea Woman's Club GFWC Florence Woman's Club **GFWC Tennessee**

GFWC Rhode Island

GFWC Chilhowee Club

GFWC Texas

GFWC Woodville Woman's Study Club

GFWC Women's Club of South County

GFWC Texas Waxahachie City Federation

Beta Nu Masters Century Club

Daughters of the American Revolution Daughters of the Republic of Texas

Delta Kappa Gamma

Ellis County Porcelain Art Club Eta Omega Chapter Beta Sigma Phi

Book Club Heirloom Club Getzendaner Roses Rebecca Lodge #381

Ellis County Women's Art Club

Preceptor's Phi Sigma Chapter Beta Sigma Phi

GFWC Virginia

GFWC Cape Henry Woman's Club GFWC Sedley Woman's Club GFWC Woman's Club of Windsor, Inc.

GFWC West Virginia

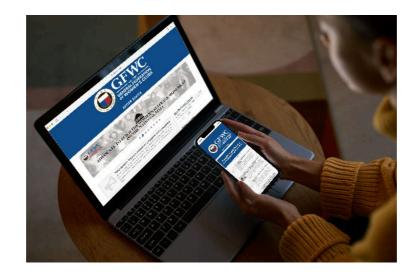
GFWC Woman's Club of Elizabeth

GFWC Wyoming

GFWC Laramie Woman's Club

GFWC Meadowlarks

Are You Signed Up for LAC Alerts?



To participate in the impactful advocacy of GFWC, sign up for the Legislative Action Center (LAC), a powerful tool to alert you to GFWC's public issues and advocacy efforts. Track bills, contact your local representative, and take action on issues germane to GFWC Resolutions.

Visit <u>gfwc.org/get-involved</u> to sign up and view current legislation GFWC supports.



2024 GFWC Award Winners

The following awards were listed incorrectly when last week's News & Notes was distributed and have now been updated. Please check <u>GFWC.org</u> for the most up-to-date listings.

WHRC Club Creativity Award - GFWC TOPPS (Terrific Old Past Presidents) is from GFWC Montana

Volunteers in Action: GFWC Atlanta Woman's Club (GA)



The Education and Libraries division of The GFWC Atlanta Woman's Club worked with Children Read Atlanta to provide books to young children. They cleaned and repaired gently used books to be given to children up to five years old.

Studies have shown that children who are read to regularly are more likely to develop early literacy skills, such as rhyming, letter recognition, and phonemic awareness (hearing the sounds in spoken words). Children Read Atlanta collects and distributes early-learner books to young children from low-income families.







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