

## CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS CLUB AWARD ENTRY COVER SHEET

Annual Reporting January 1- December 31, 2023

Chairman: Kelly Felton, Sheryl Franke	Club: Tustin Area Woman's Club					
Number of Members (per CFWC Yearbook):	District: Orange District	Area: C				
70						
Club Position: Education & Libraries Chair; Scholarship Chair, YWOM Chair						
Reporter's Address.						
City	State:	Zip.				
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GFWC Community Service Program – Education and Libraries  Name of GFWC Special Program, Community Service Program, Advancement Plan or ESO						

Founded in the 1800s, Tustin, California, maintains a strong legacy of community involvement. The Tustin Area Woman's Club, a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs since 1958, is a dedicated force for community service and philanthropy. Our all-volunteer team, driven by a rich history of commitment, works passionately to improve the quality of life locally and beyond. Central to our mission is a robust scholarship program supporting local students in their pursuit of higher education and technical training. Beyond academics, we collaborate with foundations and fellow philanthropic organizations, addressing the essential needs of displaced teens, seniors, veterans, and animals. Our leadership actively cultivates connections with sister clubs, showcasing the power of collaboration in our ongoing efforts for positive community transformation.

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In 2023, the Tustin Area Woman's Club proudly awarded eight \$1000 scholarships, recognizing two outstanding seniors from each of the four Tustin Unified District High Schools. The scholarships, exclusively for educational purposes, support students attending accredited institutions of higher education directly after high school graduation. The process began in January, providing application materials to each high school, ensuring accessibility through collaboration with counselors.

Tustin Area Woman's Club Scholarship Committee Chair worked closely with high school counselors to address queries and facilitate timely completion of applications. The club received a total of 40 applications, with each meticulously reviewed by all four Scholarship Committee members. The selection criteria encompassed demonstrated academic commitment, community service, clear future plans, and potential for success.

The winners were announced at each high school's awards ceremony, with Tustin Area representatives presenting the scholarship materials. This initiative reflects the club's dedication to supporting and empowering the educational pursuits of exceptional young people in the community.

Project Title: \_Young Women of the Month Hours 140 Donated \$ 1216 In Kind

Every month, the Tustin Area Woman's Club Young Women of the Month committee, consisting of 3 members, collaborates with the counselors of the four Tustin United High Schools to select an exceptional female student for recognition. These outstanding young women are honored with lunch, a certificate highlighting their individual achievements, and a commemorative charm. At our monthly luncheon, these young women share a brief bio, offering members a glimpse into their remarkable accomplishments and future aspirations.

This initiative serves a dual purpose—it not only informs our members about the remarkable efforts of these young women in pursuing honorable and meaningful goals but also provides the students and their supporters with a glimpse of the legacy the Tustin Area Woman's Club is building. The platform extends an invitation for these remarkable individuals to join our community in the future, fostering a connection between the present and future generations of accomplished and aspiring women. Tustin Area Woman's Club includes the Young Women of the Month in the monthly newsletter, TAWC TALK.

## Project Title: Runner's Circle Dino Dash Hours 2 Donated \$ 400 In Kind\$

The Tustin Public Schools Foundation is a non-profit organization made up of community volunteers who raise money and then fund programs and materials that enhance the educational experiences of Tustin Unified School District students.

The 2023 Dino Dash, which is one of the fundraising events supporting the schools drew 7,700 participants with thousands more community members in attendance. Tustin Area Woman's Club donated an amount that earned a place on the banner, giving us some additional visibility within the community and supporting 20 children in the race.

## Project Title: Foothill High School Music Department Hours 1 Donated \$ 250 In Kind\$

The Foothill High School Music Department has a group of talented students that come together to be Carolers during the holiday season. They are costumed and bring a wonderful ambience to their performances. Tustin Area Woman's Club, a staunch supporter of all facets of education, made a donation to provide financial support for the various equipment Foothill High School Music Department may need to help the talented students in their musical lives.