
GFWC-NC in brief

The North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs was organized in May 1902 when representatives of seven clubs met at Salem College in Winston-Salem to "unite the Women's Club of North Carolina into a statewide charitable organization for the promotion of education and activities in civic, cultural, educational, and social welfare for the betterment of the State of North Carolina."

The name of the organization was changed in May of 1998 to GFWC of North Carolina, Inc. to better identify with GFWC.

GFWC-NC History of Service Since 1902

- Charter member of the NC Council for Women's Organizations
- Funds an annual four-year Sallie Southall Cotten Scholarship
- Led women's crusade for seat belts
- Driving force behind the North Carolina Zoo
- Provided \$70,000 to the Blue Ridge Parkway Foundation for pavilion construction
- Donated \$90,000 to NC Aquariums
- Provided 17 million meals to food insecure children in NC



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Improvement Through
Volunteer Service Since 1902**

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You and the Federation

GFWC is one of the oldest and largest volunteer organizations for women in the world. The Federation provides its members an opportunity to develop their talents, abilities, and skills. As a member of GFWC, GFWC-NC offers a framework for women across the state to work together through volunteerism to serve their local communities. Fun, fellowship, and lasting friendships are a large part of the experience for GFWC's 63,000 members worldwide.

Women of all ages, backgrounds, and interests work together to better the lives of others. Our clubs consist of General (18+), Junior (18-45), and Juniorette (middle and high school age). Any woman who wants the opportunity for the fellowship and personal enrichment that comes through volunteerism is welcome.

Through Federation, we constitute a powerful service organization with diverse talents united in dedication to community service. Together, our Federation voices are too loud to ignore!



Our Program of Volunteering

GFWC-NC promotes and supports programs in five main areas.



Arts & Culture Community Service Program exists to encourage club women to participate in and/or otherwise facilitate a love and appreciation for the arts across their community and within their entire sphere of influence.

Programs supported include: school art programs, arts and cultural centers



Civic Engagement and Outreach Community Service Program reminds GFWC members that each member is part of a larger society and we are responsible for taking actions that will create a better quality of life and foster a sense of community—locally, regionally, nationally, and globally. GFWC focuses on addressing issues of public concern.

Programs supported include: first responders, food banks, Boys & Girls Home of NC



Education and Libraries Community Service Program promotes education for both children and adults. Projects are designed to foster schools and other educational institutions and opportunities, and promote libraries, literacy, and reading good books. Through these efforts, we encourage the growth of individuals and communities at home and around the world.

Programs supported include: local libraries, Read Across America, tutoring



Environment Community Service Program focuses on what we can do as good stewards of the earth by working to preserve the world's resources, protect wildlife and domesticated animals, live sustainably, beautify our communities, and enjoy nature. With many of the world's scientists forecasting a climate emergency, members of GFWC clubs are called to act now.

Programs supported include: NC Aquariums, Blue Ridge Parkway, Humane Society



Health and Wellness Community Service Program is designed to inform members of issues that affect the well-being of individuals, families, and communities. To improve our well-being, club members are encouraged to focus on nutrition, disease prevention, and physical and emotional care.

Programs supported include: food programs for kids, kids shoe purchases, senior care centers

