

OPPORTUNITIES...

The California Federation takes pride in its community service projects. We are proud of our efforts to enhance the leadership, tutoring and mentoring skills of our volunteers, members of the community and especially today's youth.

Through seminars, conferences, forums and leadership training, we can make a difference in the way people cope in their day-to-day lives in our ever-changing complex world.

GOALS

- Building leaders
- Training volunteers.
- Providing service to those in need.
- Making a difference through active advocacy in legislation.
- Encouraging enrichment programs to benefit members.
- Creating opportunities to live the volunteer spirit.

**GFWC CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF
WOMEN'S CLUBS**
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**GENERAL FEDERATION
of WOMEN'S CLUBS**

The General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) was founded in **1890** and is one of the oldest women's volunteer service organizations. Members include business owners, teachers, elected officials, homemakers, corporate executives, college students and retirees. Although there is considerable diversity in the ages, interests and experience of GFWC members, all are united by a dedication to community improvement through volunteer service.

GFWC has built an outstanding record of accomplishments.



Strength United is Stronger

CFWC

California Federation of Women's Clubs



Member of the General Federation of
Women's Clubs, GFWC

*...one of the largest and the oldest
international women's organizations
founded in 1890*



"Unity in Diversity"

WHO WE ARE...

The California Federation of Women's Clubs (CFWC) was organized in January 1900 and became the thirty-seventh state to join the General Federation of Women's Clubs (www.gfwc.org).

Our motto, "Strength United is Stronger" portrays how our clubs work together to make a difference throughout the world. Members continue to serve the diverse needs of their communities and country.

CFWC is...

- An organization of members located throughout California.
- Uniting women of all ages, talents, and backgrounds to address worldwide issues and serve those in need within their communities and beyond.



For information about our organization and how to contact a local club, please visit our website:

www.cfwc.org

WHAT WE DO...

"Strength United is Stronger"



Each year our members:

- Volunteer on more than 14,000 projects in local communities and beyond.
- Volunteer more than a million hours.
- Donate more than \$8 million to 501(c)3 organizations.
- Participate in leadership training programs at all levels of Federation
- Participate in enrichment activities for personal growth

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

CFWC is responsible for:

- Endorsing and supporting the first Child Labor Law enacted in California in 1906.
- Starting public libraries throughout the state.
- Starting the white line down the center of roads to divide traffic – ultimately saving thousands of lives.
- Installing mission bells along the El Camino Real.
- Proposing a bill for the establishment of a Juvenile Court for California. Clubs paid the salaries of probation officers until funds could be budgeted by the State.
- Donating over \$1.3 million in books and educational materials to public and school libraries.
- Creating window stickers, which were adopted by fire departments, that show the location of disabled persons in homes and other buildings. And...



Many more community achievements over the past 129 years.