

Other areas that members are involved:

Domestic Violence Program

Juniors' Special Project: Advocates for Children

Community Improvement Program

Communications and Public Relations

Fundraising Program

Jennie Awards

Leadership Program

Legislative and Public Policy Program

Membership Program

Women's History and Resource Center

Club Newsletter Contest

Website Contest

Tallulah Falls School
(Founded 1909)

Official Publication:
"Georgia Clubwoman Newsletter"

Annual State Meetings:
Convention—April or May
State Institute
State Board Meeting

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Women's Clubs



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What is the Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs?

It is a state organization composed of women's clubs throughout the state of Georgia. A woman's club can be either of junior, juniorette, or general status, whose membership provides volunteer service to their community.

The state of Georgia is divided into ten districts and each district holds Spring and Fall meetings, presided over by the District president.

The Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs was organized in Atlanta, Georgia, on October 28, 1896. It joined the General Federation of Women's Clubs in July, 1897.

The motto of the Georgia Federation is Wisdom, Justice, and Moderation. The Federation colors are green and white. Its flower is the Cherokee Rose.

Georgia has approximately 105 Clubs with a membership of approximately 2,700. Every Georgia clubwoman is also a member of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, whose headquarters are located at 1734 N. Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. The General Federation of Women's Clubs is the oldest, non-denominational, non-partisan, largest international service organization of volunteer women in the world. GFWC has Membership Nationwide in all 50 states plus 11 foreign countries, with approximately 90,000 members.

Why Join the Georgia Federation of Women's Clubs?

By joining, you have the opportunity to work with other women to improve the social, cultural, and physical needs in your city or town. In so doing, you will meet and make new friends, gain in knowledge, and become a better citizen of your community.

Through membership in the Georgia Federation, you will grow as a person in leadership and will bring new interests into your home.

Much more can be accomplished when there are many working together in the same interest and belief than when trying to act as an individual.

What are the Areas of Federation Involvement?

Clubwomen are encouraged to select a "program of work" wherein their interest lies. There is something for everyone who becomes a member of the Federation. Each Community Service Program focuses club members on areas to work to improve their communities through

different projects. There are also organizations that partner with the General Federation of Women's Clubs and provide resources and suggestions for each Program.

The Six Community Service Programs are listed below:

ARTS

Overview: *Encourage members to create and contribute to arts education and activities in all communities*
Engage GFWC members in developing and enjoying creative arts as a method of self-expression

Art for Youth
Art for Club and Community

Contests:

Member Crafts
Member Short Story and Poetry
Student Short Story and Poetry
Photography

CONSERVATION

Overview: *Educate members about the importance and benefits of beautifying their communities.*

Educate members and communities about the importance of preserving natural resources and stimulate citizen action to address these concerns.

Recycling
Soil Conservation
Air and Water Quality
Natural Resource Restoration
Land Maintenance
Beautification
Wildlife Protection
Proper Care for Domesticated Animals
Food Sources

Partnerships with organizations such as
Alliance for Community Trees

EDUCATION:

Overview: *Promote a commitment to lifelong learning by encouraging members and others to foster and support educational opportunities in their communities.*

Educate members and others about rates of low literacy and stimulate citizen action to address impact and concerns related to literacy.

Literacy Tutoring
Libraries Scholarships
Learning Disabilities
Partnerships with organizations such as
Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY)
Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO - reading program)

HOME LIFE

Overview: *Introduce members and communities to organizations that improve the lives of those in need.*

Educate members and others about the value of and need for financial planning and informed financial decisions

Educate members and others about the most prevalent medical problems affecting women, and encourage women to adopt proven methods for optimizing their own physical health and quality of life.

Women's Health
Promoting Healthy Lifestyles
Community Needs
Financial Issues

Partnerships with organizations such as
Canine Companions for Independence
Easter Seals

National Heart, Lung, and Blood's The Heart Truth
Inside Knowledge: Get the Facts about
Gynecologic Cancer Campaign

INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH

Overviews: *Educate members and communities about global topics and provide opportunities to support and contribute to world issues*

Educate Members and the Community
Cultural Exchanges
Empower Others

Partnerships with organizations such as
Heifer International, Operation Smile, UNICEF,
and Shot@Life

PUBLIC ISSUES

Overview: *Educate members and others about the importance of active citizenship, and encourage participation in related activities.*

Educate members and others about community, home and vehicle safety issues, and encourage citizen action on these issues.

Citizenship
Emergency and Disaster Preparedness
Military & Veterans
Safety and Crime Preventions
Scouts

Partnerships with organizations such as
Kettering Foundation and
United Service Organizations (USO)