



**CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS**  
**CLUB AWARD ENTRY COVER SHEET**  
*Annual Reporting January 1- December 31, 2024*

Chairman: Darlene Wharton		Club: Elsinore Woman's Club	
103 of Club Members (as recorded in 2024-25 CFWC Yearbook):		District: De Anza	Area: D
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<b><u>DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION</u></b> GFWC Special Program, Community Service Program, Advancement Plan, ESO			

On February 7, 1906, 12 ladies of Elsinore and vicinity met and organized the Elsinore Woman's Club. This year we celebrated 118 years of service to the community through our various philanthropic activities, scholarships, fundraising, cultural events to continue improving the district. Our clubhouse is in the Historic District of Lake Elsinore whose population is 72,472. With 103 dedicated members, ranging in age from 28 to 99, we remain united in our mission, working side by side to support and uplift our community.

**Project Title: 2024 NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE Hours: 230 Donated: \$525 In Kind: \$ 1,125**

On September 27th, eight members of the Elsinore Woman's Club delivered approximately 190 cans and individual microwave meals to **The Anchor** in Lake Elsinore. It is a crisis stabilization housing complex owned by the City of Lake Elsinore and operated by Social Work Action Group (SWAG) serving chronic homeless individuals from Lake Elsinore. The Anchor has 16 separate units and can house up to 20 individuals in Lake Elsinore. EWC then proceeded to **S.A.F.E. Family** in Menifee, where they delivered about 20 boxes of non-perishable food and beverages. Additionally, the club gifted twenty-one \$25 grocery gift cards (totaling \$525) to be distributed to victims of domestic violence, helping them purchase essential items. This act of generosity contributed to alleviating food insecurity and hunger in the local community, with over 400 pounds of food donated in total. Club members and friends also contributed a variety of food items, including SpaghettiOs, ravioli, soup, chili, fruit snacks, chips, juice boxes, cookies, and crackers. Although the club did not meet at the clubhouse in September due to the Lake Elsinore fire, which had closed schools and led to the evacuation of many homes, the members gathered outside the clubhouse with the chairman to organize the donations. The food and funds were then distributed between the two organizations. The participation of the Elsinore Woman's Club in the National Day of Service underscores the importance of fostering community connections and taking action to address local challenges. The club's involvement highlights the power of volunteerism in building stronger, more compassionate communities, and serves as an inspiration for others to join the movement and contribute their time and resources toward positive change. By participating in this event, the Elsinore Woman's Club continues its tradition of giving back and making a difference in the lives of those around them.

**Project Title: ALTERNATIVE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE Hours: 4 Donated: \$ 0 In Kind: \$1,200**

On May 11th, for Mother's Day, 55 Elsinore Woman's Club members donated bed sheet sets, twenty \$20 Walmart gift cards, and flowers in vases to the Alternative Domestic Violence (ADV) shelter serving Riverside County. The club surpassed the goal of 41 new pairs of extra-large twin bed sheets by collecting 59 sets. The children decorated the gifts for their mothers with ribbons. This partnership involved donating items, raising funds, and providing volunteer services. The total value of this event was \$1,200. The 9 moms and 32 children received new sheets, and the shelter had extra to put in storage for incoming residents. The House Manager was appreciated for the gifts and sent back her verbal thank you with the Domestic Violence Chairman.

**Project Title:** DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WITH A SMILE **Hours:** 10 **Donated:** \$ 0 **In Kind:** \$500

On October 25th, EWC members collected household items, such as brooms, kitchen, bathroom and bedroom items for Alternative Domestic Violence families moving from the shelter to their own homes for survivors rebuilding their lives. An article about the event was included in the community newsletter. The total value of this event was \$500. The EWC recognizes the significance of addressing the impact of domestic and sexual violence on individuals and families and is dedicated to advocating for prevention and support for survivors. Participation in awareness and prevention efforts will play an essential role in ending the cycle of violence and supporting victims in their recovery journey.

**Project Title:** PINS FOR A CAUSE **Hours:** 10 **Donated:** \$ 0 **In Kind:** \$25

The Elsinore Woman's Club has been an active supporter of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, using their platform to promote the cause and raise awareness. As part of their commitment, members of the club received commemorative pins to symbolize their support for those affected by domestic violence and to show solidarity with the broader movement. The pins serve as a visible reminder of the importance of ending domestic violence and creating a safer society. Each pin represents the club's pledge to act in raising awareness, advocating for victims, and preventing future instances of abuse. The Elsinore Woman's Club is known for its community engagement, and their involvement in Domestic Violence Awareness Month further solidifies their dedication to social issues that impact the well-being of their members and the broader community. The club has used its influence to encourage residents to learn more about domestic violence, support organizations that aid survivors, and actively participate in efforts that address this critical issue. Community Impact and Advocacy: By receiving the pins and partaking in discussions about Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the Elsinore Woman's Club members help amplify the voices of survivors and victims. Their efforts contribute to ongoing advocacy that seeks to:

- Raise awareness about the signs of domestic violence and the importance of early intervention.
- Support local shelters and services that assist survivors in rebuilding their lives.
- Encourage individuals to report abuse and seek help, and to empower others to break the silence surrounding domestic violence.

Through these actions, the Elsinore Woman's Club is reinforcing the idea that domestic violence is a community issue that requires collective effort to address. Their participation in DVAM symbolizes a commitment to fostering a culture of care, respect, and accountability.