



Sharing the Heart of Programming Winter State 2017 CIP

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Dear Chapter and District External Programming Vice Presidents:

We have made it through our first two trimesters together and have done some amazing work in our communities throughout our state. I look very forward to seeing the awesome reports at annual convention for both service hours and dollars raised. Thank you so much for all your hard work in making sure all of your reports are submitted timely so we do not miss anything this year.

Check out my CIP for information on:

- Calling all LPM/DPMs ~ We need you to bid for our open SPM positions for next year! What are the requirements?
- We have two bids for the next three year Priority Area.
- Presidential Challenge
- Membership Challenge

I look very forward to seeing all of your smiling faces at the Annual State Convention so we can celebrate our successes together!

Thank you so very much for all of your support this year in my position as your EVP and hope you continue doing the great work you do in the coming years.

Programming Area Review Forms

We welcome and need your input to help make our programming areas better! The 3 areas that are up for review are:

- Public Relations
- Youth of Today
- Newslet



Forms are available on line www.mnwt.org - complete your review forms today! We have new and improved shortened forms – it will only take a few moments of your time and your feedback is very important to the programming areas.

WE NEED YOU

Consider joining the programming team in the 2017-2018 year! Talk to Brenda at evp@mnwt.org or Julie at ivp@mnwt.org to get more information.

EXTERNAL SPMS

- Women's Wellness ~ Please contact Jessy McShane at ww@mnwt.org or Brenda at evp@mnwt.org for any questions about this position
- Youth of Today ~ Please contact Illeana Turner at yt@mnwt.org or Brenda at evp@mnwt.org for any questions about this position

INTERNAL SPMS

- Newslet ~ Please contact Amy Pumper at newslet@mnwt.org or Julie at ivp@mnwt.org for any questions about this position
- Living and Learning ~ Please Cindy Umland at ll@mnwt.org or Julie at ivp@mnwt.org for any questions about this position.
- Records and Recognition ~ currently covered by Julie Hammel. Please contact Julie at ivp@mnwt.org for any questions about this position.
- Public Relations ~ Please contact Julie at ivp@mnwt.org for any questions about this position.

This is a very rewarding experience; being part of the programming team and a part of executive council! Find out how this exciting position fits into your life.

MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGES

Show President Jane some love!



Let's celebrate President Jane's January 23rd Birthday by signing 28 members during the month of February ~ A WHOLE MONTH OF MEMBERSHIP. Let's also have a little friendly challenge between Areas ~ which ever Area signs the most new members in the month of February will get a surprise from President Jane at their area meeting. **AND** if we sign 28 members or more, the surprise will be memorable.

CHALLENGE: 80% Retention for third Trimester PLUS growth

RESULT: Participate in a Lumberjack competition against President Jane and the membership team at Annual Convention in Bemidji.

FOUNDATIONS BIDDING FOR NEXT 3 YEAR PRIORITY AREA

FIREFLY SISTERHOOD

This is our current Buckets of Sunshine project. Firefly Sisterhood connects women in the state of Minnesota that have recently been diagnosed with breast cancer to an inspirational survivor. This woman has been through what they are going through and will act as a guide who can help light your path from diagnosis to healing. Currently they have 90 trained volunteers and last year had 105 matches for more 1:1 connections and serve a ten county area encircling the twin cities of Minneapolis and St Paul and receive referrals from eleven breast cancer clinics.

Please check out www.fireflysisterhood.org for more information on this bidder.

WISHES & MORE

Wishes & More is not only a wish granting organization, it is a local charity that proudly serves kids ages birth to nineteen in Minnesota and border states by granting wishes, providing educational scholarships through the “Scholarship of Hope” program and financial gifts that are granted to grieving parents who lose a child that has not experienced a wish. Their program area is all areas of Minnesota; however, the majority of the fundraising and program outreach takes place in the Twin Cities (Fridley) where their office is located.

Please check out www.wishesandmore.org for more information on this bidder.

Procedure for selecting our next three year priority project

Annual Convention 2017

The bidding foundations will have 10 minutes to present their ideas. There will be a 15 minute allotted for questions. The foundations may also send information out to the chapters between annual and Fall State.

Fall State Convention 2017

Bidding Foundations may be a part of the project fair if they choose. Vote by the membership will be held at the business meeting.

Please share this information with your chapters and visit their web site for more information.

PLEASE CHECK OUT WHAT THE SPMs HAVE GOING ON:

Community Connections ~ Kandy Dorlack

- Start those collections for True Friends right away! See Kandy's CIP for a list of items that True Friends/Friendship Ventures is needed. Let's help get them ready for the campers.
- Save the date – work weekend at Friendship Ventures Memorial Day weekend.

Priority-Area (Breaking Free) ~ Sherry Boike

- Which pieces of the van is your chapter going to purchase?
- Let's finish strong and raise enough money to purchase a van for Breaking Free!

Women's Wellness ~ Jessy McShane

- FIND THOSE WOMEN VETS in your area and ways you can work together to support them as much as you can.

Youth of Today ~ Illeana Turner

- Have you heard about Bridge for Youth? Read this CIP closely for ways you can help

Community Connections Year-End Award Nominations

Consider nominating your chapter's projects and events throughout the year. Nomination forms can be found on the MNWT website in the Book of Forms or on the CC SPM web page.

Nominations are due April 11th.

Community Connections: Joint Venture Award

The Community Connections (CC) Joint Ventures Award is an award given by the Minnesota Women of Today recognizing a chapter that has successfully collaborated with another community organization to sponsor a successful community project. We recognize both organizations' actions and accomplishments and celebrate their desire to "leave the world a better place."

Community Connections: Civic or Environmental Project Award

The Community Connections (CC) Civic or Environmental Award is an award given by the Minnesota Women of Today recognizing a chapter that has promoted an a.) Activity to civically improve your town or city, or promote citizenship in your community or b.) Activity to improve the environments in your community.

Community Connections: Community Impact Award

The Community Connections (CC) Community Impact Award is an award given by the Minnesota Women of Today recognizing a chapter that has completed a successful community project that does not fit in to one of the other two CC award categories (collaboration with another organization, or civic or environmental project.) We recognize the chapter's effort by the impact the project has had on the local community. An example for submitting in this area is a community festival.