



Minnesota Women of Today
2020-2021 Winter State CIP
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Programming Calendar

June

- 24th: MNWT Webinar

July

- 1st: Founders Day
- 15th: Fast Starts Due

August

- MNWT Emphasis Month: YT
- 16th – 22nd: Kids Week

September

- MNWT Emphasis Month: CC
- 2nd: Outstanding Programming Manager and Project of the tri nominations due
- 2nd: Trimester Programming Report due
- 20th – 26th: Women of Today Week

October

- 28th: MNWT Webinar

November

- MNWT Emphasis Month: WW
- 1st: Outstanding Young Adult (OYA) nominations due
- 1st: Women Who Impact (WWI) nominations due
- 1st: Person with Determination (PWD) nominations due
- 8th: Mid-Year Evaluation due

January

- MNWT Emphasis Month: LL
- 2nd: Outstanding Programming Manager and Project of the tri nominations due
- 2nd: Trimester Programming Report due

February

- MNWT Emphasis Month: Priority Area
- 24th: MNWT Webinar

March

- 13th: March Planning

April

- 15th: Community Connections Chapter Award nominations due
- 24th: Year End Evaluations due

May

- 2nd: Outstanding Programming Manager and Project of the tri nominations due
- 2nd: Trimester Programming Report due

Please consult the MNWT official calendar at www.mnwt.org, under Events to ensure that other key dates are not missed.

Thank You

Hello to all of our 2020 – 2021 Programming Vice Presidents,

Shout Out to all of the chapters who sent in their 2nd trimester programming report. Aitkin (Roxy & Cathy), Brainerd Lakes Area (Kim & Becky), Burnsville (Deb), Coon Rapids (Jeny), Duluth (Tari), Eastern Carver County (Cathy), Fairmont (Amber), Fridley (Kathy), Greenbush (Amanda), Maple Grove (Julie), Monticello (Diana), New Hope (Rita & Diane), Sauk Rapids (Lisa), St. James (Brenda), St. Joseph (Frances & Jenise), and White Bear Lake (Shellie)

Thank you to everyone who completed my 2nd trimester challenge. We have a lot of strong leaders in our organization. Our 3rd trimester challenge is explained below. I would love to see 100% of our chapters participate and be recognized.

I hope to see you all at Annual in May, Anna

3rd Trimester PVP Challenge

The Challenge:

Review this CIP, along with the PVP MNJOTS, and PVP Fall State CIPs for information on reporting your local programming activity to the MNWT. Complete the 3rd trimester report between April 24th and April 30th to receive a fun surprise. Every chapter that completes a report 3rd trimester will be entered into a drawing for a programming basket.

Why #1:

When your chapter reports its total, you have an official record of your donations and service hours.

Why #2:

Reporting your local programming to the MNWT allows the organization to better support and promote your unique community.

Why #3:

Recognition and prizes are fun! Completing the report costs, you nothing and can be done in less than 10 minutes. In return your chapter gets MNWT and USWT recognition a long with chances to win fun stuff.

See Page 3 of this CIP for a link to the online Trimester Report.

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Managing Your Position

USWT Programming Opportunities

Why did my chapter receive USWT recognition for completing a Community Connections Programming Report?

This is a happy bonus for submitting your MNWT Trimester Programming Report. Much like the MNWT, the USWT asks states and chapters to report programming information once a trimester. To make it as simple as possible for chapters, the MNWT Programming VP reports all chapter activities to the USWT once a trimester. This avoids redundancy and prevents chapters needing to submit more than one programming report with the exact same information. So, keep on sending in your MNWT trimester reports to receive a little extra recognition from the USWT.

What other ways can my chapter receive recognition from the USWT?

1) Our LL SPM, Melanie has been promoting the USWT Wellness & Personal Development Certification (<https://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/5x1jic4rftbE2vdfds>). This is similar to our MNWT Living and Learning Certification. All of your members are encouraged to complete these certifications once a year.

2) Our WW SPM, Jeny has been promoting Domestic Violence Awareness (DVA) all year long. DVA is an area of special interest at the USWT level. For added chapter recognition from the USWT, you can submit a DVA transmittal (<https://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/yJob00cqs67bxK631bb>) each time your chapter supports a domestic violence project.

3) All members are eligible to complete the Outstanding Achievement in Programming Certification (<https://www.emailmeform.com/builder/form/2uO770fxqla4fajko>) offered by the USWT. The requirements for this certification are;

- Complete the Wellness and Personal Development Certification.
- Participate in a local (chapter or state) DVA project.
- Participate in a local (chapter or state) service, educational, or fundraising project.
- Participate in one competition on the state or national level, such as impromptu, writing, speaking, evaluations (mid-year or year end, and other competitions offered by the MNWT LL SPM.

Submissions are due by May 1, 2021 for recognition at the 2021 USWT Annual Convention in June.

Programing VP 103

We have entered third trimester. This may be an exciting and/or frustrating time for you and your chapter. Not only are you dealing with a full year of COVID and the impact that has had on your community, you are trying to find ways to celebrating your successes, focusing on ending the year with positivity, and planning for the uncertainty of next year, all while training your successor. It can be easy to become overwhelmed in the moment. Take a deep breath and focus on what you can do.

- ✓ You can **celebrate your chapter's accomplishments**. They may not be what they have been in the past and that is okay. For some chapters hosting even one or two service projects this year is a HUGE success. Take the time to enjoy the success and recognize those who supported your chapter.
- ✓ You can **submit the 3rd trimester programming report** before May 2nd. If this is the first report of the year for your chapter, please include your full year of activities in the 3rd trimester report.
- ✓ You can **prepare your successor** for their year by giving them a copy of your goals and the three PVP Chapter Information Packets (CIPs) for this year. This will give them the basic information needed to have success next year.
- ✓ You can **plan/host a programing project** for May 2021 to start the new Women of Today Year off with a bang.

By having everything planed out ahead of time, you are giving your members advanced notification and yourself a break from organizing something last minute. By not waiting until the last minute you will find yourself enjoying 3rd trimester and ready to truly celebrate at Annual 2021.

FAQ

Q: What is the Three Year Priority Area Process?

Every three years the chapters come together at Fall State (during the third year of an organizations run) to vote on a new three year priority area for the state. If you have been a member for three years, chances are you knew about that part of the process.

Do you know how we find the organizations the chapters vote on? Members like you! The process to find the right organization to support takes almost as long as the three year priority area runs. During the second trimester of a three year priority areas second year, behind the scenes members from across the state are nominating organizations. The members nominating work with the PVP and Executive Director to submit needed information. That same Women of Today year, at the Winter State Executive Council meeting the nominations are voted on and the top three are presented to the chapters. The next opportunity for you to nominate an organization will be the Fall of 2022. The chapters will vote on the organization at Winter State 2023 and MNWT will start promoting that organization May 2024.

When do we start supporting the new organization the chapters voted for this past fall?

This April is the last month we will recognize Wishes & More as our state's three year priority area organization. At Annual 2021 there will be special recognition made to all of our efforts over the last three years. Many chapters will continue to support this organization under the Youth of Today or Community Connections programming areas. Starting May 2021, as an organization we will be supporting Crescent Cove as our new three year priority area organization. Your chapters first chance to learn more about the organization will be at the February 2021 MNWT Webinar.

Support & Recognition

Online Resources

Trimester Programming Report:

http://mnwt.org/members/forms_results.php?formsID=414

Trimester Programming Report Training Video:

<https://youtu.be/sgoe2EAFmuQ>

MNWT Programming Facebook Page:

www.facebook.com/mnwt.programming

Year End Evaluations

The President and State Delegate Year End Evaluations are due to the PVP (pvp@mnwt.org) by April 24th.

Contact pvp@mnwt.org for help.

Evaluation forms can be found in the PVP area of the MNWT Website.

http://mnwt.org/about/execcouncil_results.php?execcoun=PVP

2nd Trimester Outstanding Program Managers

Our Outstanding Program Managers are leaders within our chapters. It's not chairing a project that makes them outstanding. They take time to support their chapter members, manager their area and set an example to others of what can be. Receiving an Outstanding Programming Award is a celebrated achievement. Congratulations to our winners!

Community Connections: This outstanding Community Connections LPM fills out reports and attends meetings, where she speaks on her chapter Community Connection activities. She has spearheaded efforts to support Habitat for Humanity. She constantly brings forth new ideas for projects and isn't shy about getting her family to lend a helping hand. Her chapter states "She is always willing to step up and help wherever needed." Congratulations to the 2nd trimester Community Connections Outstanding Program Manager, Marie Pedigo of the Aitkin chapter.

Living and Learning: This dedicated and encouraging member attends all chapter and district meetings. She has very informational chapter reports, sends information to members via email and utilizes Facebook to promote programming. She shares information from the Living and Learning CIP and encourages her chapter to participate in the state Living and Learning challenges. As the Living and Learning LPM she hosted several Living and Learning events including a Sip N Soak and Living and Learning night. She does an amazing job coming up with new ideas for personal growth including watching documentaries on depression and being happy. She has held a baby shower and a self-defense course. She is always willing to share her knowledge, her friendliness and her home with her chapter. Congratulations to the 2nd Trimester Living and Learning Outstanding Program Manager, Darlene Matthies of the Brainard Lakes Area chapter.

Priority Area: This LPM makes it a priority to keep her chapter in the know regarding Wishes & More. She collected stickers as part of the statewide Bucket of Sunshine/Priority Area joint project, reported at chapter meetings, and wrote newsletter articles. She also came up with an idea to have a raffle, not only at the chapter's monthly zoom meeting but also at a scrapbook weekend retreat happening with the chapter's Pumpkin Patch. She was able to donate \$143 to Wishes & More through the raffle and a lucky person walked away with about \$150 worth of scrapbooking supplies. Boy, does this LPM know how to get the biggest bang!! Congratulations to the 2nd Trimester Priority Area Outstanding Program Manager, Roxy Appel Wigton of the Aitkin chapter.

Women's Wellness: This Outstanding LPM has been a rock for her chapter. She is full of enthusiasm and is always coming up with interesting ideas and incentives to promote her area and make chapter meetings fun. She has different sections in her chapter's newsletter like, "Who's That Lady?", where she describes a woman from history who has excelled, and offers a prize to the first member who can identify her mystery lady each month. She also has monthly information on women's health and COVID 19. This amazing member collected \$50 for the National Association for Mental Illness and promoted the "Women Who Impact" award both at meetings and in the newsletter. She is also always checking in with Women's Wellness SPM letting her know what her chapter has been up to. Congratulations to the 2nd Trimester Women's Wellness Outstanding Program Manager, Diane W Carr of the New Hope chapter.

Youth of Today: This Program Manager is a superstar. She always reports at chapters and district meetings, submits articles to the chapter newsletter about her area and regularly communicates with her chapter president. She fills out the chapter's Trimester Programming Report each trimester and submits Success. She promotes projects by putting flyers up around town and delivers donations to the various organizations the chapter supports such as school supplies. She even has incentives for those who help with projects. Along with supporting her area, she attends all of the chapter social and membership events. Congratulations to the 2nd Trimester Youth of Today Outstanding Program Manager, Marsha Ziebarth of the Sauk Rapids Chapter.

Making Connections

SPM Highlights

This year we have five amazing SPMs to support your chapters specific programming needs. You don't have to be an LPM to utilize these amazing volunteers as a resource for your chapter. All five of these programming managers want to help you support your chapter and your local community within their programming areas.

Community Connections (CC): Tawn Hanson, cc@mnwt.org

Third trimester Tawn is focusing on Year End Community Connection Nominations. This is a great way for your chapter to recognize a special project on a state level. See page two of her CIP to learn about how Habitat for Humanity is supporting neighbors in need. She also has a fun challenge for all chapters. Support your local food shelf during 3rd trimester and send her an email sharing what your chapter did to be entered into a drawing for a gift basket.

Living and Learning (LL): Melanie Chenoweth, ll@mnwt.org

Third trimester Melanie has many more fun challenges for you. For chapters, have a zoom certification night. For individuals, write a letter to yourself saying what you wish for yourself this year. She also has several mini challenges that can be found in her CIP. Email Melanie each time you complete an activity and let her know what you did.

Priority Area (Wishes and More): Jennifer Auger, priority-area@mnwt.org

Third trimester Jennifer is focusing on promotion! For our last trimester supporting them as our priority area, she is asking you take time to share what Wishes & More offers to the children and families of your local community with others. She is also selling WAM t-shirts. Check your chapter email for a link to the order form.

Women's Wellness (LL): Jeny Ohr, ww@mnwt.org

Third trimester Jeny has four months of focus areas for your chapter to dive into. January is all about ending mental health stigma. February is domestic violence prevention. March is the March of Dimes. April, the final month of the trimester she would like you to take time to learn about supporting a family member or someone in your household who struggles with mental health.

Youth of Today (YT): Glorie Balfanz, yt@mnwt.org

Third trimester Glorie is asking chapters to plan a project that will support the MN Children's Foundation Kids Cancer Fund. She is also encouraging chapters to find creative ways to support the youth in their communities by offering them opportunities to volunteer. Glorie will have a drawing for a prize for everyone who participates in the Winter State Outstanding Awards Card Fundraiser.

Presidential SUCCESS Points

Trimester 3, 2020-2021

Submit a Nomination for a Community Connections Year End Award (50 pts)

AND/OR

Hold an M Event during Membership Week (3/28 to 4/3/21) (25 points)

AND/OR

Sign 3 New Members for 3rd Trimester (25 pts)

AND/OR

Reach 85% Retention for 3rd Trimester (50 pts)

AND/OR

Have 2 Members of your Chapter Attend the February Statewide Webinar (25 pts)

AND/OR

Submit a Chapter Article to the State NEWSLET (25 pts)

MAXIMUM 100 POINTS

For more information about SUCCESS see mnwt.org under Success Coordinator or CMVP.

Save The Date

Make a plan to join me at the February 24th MNWT Webinar.

Once each trimester, MNWT offers webinars on a variety of topics to assist local chapters. This will be your first opportunity to learn about our 2021- 2024 MNWT Priority Area, Crescent Cove. Every chapter who has five or more members attend the Crescent Cove portion of the webinar will receive a fun prize.

Register here: <http://www.mnwt.org/growth/webinars.php>