

ZI Service Recognition Award - 2013



Points to be Covered



- - Purpose of ZI Service Recognition Award
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Purpose of Award



Zonta International has established the Service Recognition Award to recognize outstanding service projects benefiting women in the local community.

This award

- honors clubs and districts
- provides an exchange of excellent models of service
- increases Zonta's credibility and visibility

Honors Clubs and Districts



Three D12 Club projects will be nominated by a District Evaluating Committee for the ZI award. These projects will be featured on the D12 website and Facebook.

ZI will award SRA's to 6 clubs and 3 districts at the 2014 Convention in Orlando. Winners will be posted on the ZI Website.

ZI Convention Recognition



Zonta's Service Recognition Award Lunch

A theme lunch will be held during Zonta's 2014 Orlando Convention recognizing the winners of Zonta's Service Recognition Award.

During the theme lunch, clubs who are nominated for the Zonta's Service Recognition Award by their District Evaluating Committee will present their service project using pictures, brochures, posters or a Power Point presentation.

Provides Models of Excellent Projects



- Descriptions of all projects submitted for the award by D12 Clubs will be shared with D12 Presidents and Service Chairs.
- The projects displayed at the ZI Convention will be excellent examples that could be copied by D12 Clubs.

Increases Zonta's Credibility and Visibility



It is important to plan for and include publicity for your service project. One of the main reasons for the award is to let Zontians and non Zontians around the world know what local clubs and districts are doing for women in their communities.

Note: “Zonta Says No” is another current project by ZI to increase the exposure of Zonta in the world. If your service project is to prevent and fight violence against women and girls it may also be posted on the ZI website in the section of the ZI PR Campaign – “Zonta Says NO”. Submit a story on your project to zontaservice@zonta.org.

SRA Categories



Two categories of projects will be considered:

- Projects that improve the status of women in general
- Projects that prevent and fight Violence Against Women (VAW).

Club and District Awards



Projects can be sponsored by clubs or districts.

- Club Awards: A club can nominate 2 projects – one from each category.

District Awards: A district can nominate 1 district sponsored project implemented by clubs within the district. It can be in either category

Application Process



- The D12 Service Committee will send details including nomination forms to club Service Chairs and will support them throughout the process. Complete information is on the ZI website under Member Resources/Tools/Service.
- Club projects must be submitted to the District Service Chair using the nomination form. Nominations must be received by December 30,2013.
- District sponsored projects will be submitted to ZI by the D12 Service Chair by February 10,2014. The D12 Service Committee will collect information and pictures from all the clubs participating in the District project.

What Applications Must Include



- Benefit the project has given to women and/or girls in the local community & number of women & girls benefited
- Visibility and credibility to Zonta created by the project

District Evaluation



The D12 Evaluating Committee will select 3 club projects – at least one must be VAW – and submit these to ZI.

D12 Service Project



The District Award is given to District sponsored projects implemented by clubs from the same district. Every D12 club is encouraged to participate in the D12 project.

D12 has selected the following District project to be submitted for the ZI Service Recognition award:

At a club business meeting in October or November each club will collect items needed by a local women's shelter. These items will be given to the shelter with as much publicity as can be created.

Club Service Committees should begin planning for this now.

Summary



- Does your club have outstanding service projects which benefit women in the local community? Do not miss the opportunity to participate in this award competition.
- The ZI Service Recognition Award is a great way to gain credibility and visibility for Zonta.
- The Award is the first time ZI has set up recognition for the great work clubs do in their local communities.
- We can improve our service projects by learning about the “best practices” of clubs around the world.
- Yes, it is more work – another form to fill out and a District project to participate in – but well worth it!