

MISSION TODAY 2023-2024**

Criteria for Local Organizations of the Susquehanna Conference United Women in Faith

The purpose of Mission Today is to provide a planning tool to energize United Women in Faith to be more involved in mission through prayer, study, action, and outreach.

A Local Organization is a unit or a subgroup such as entire church or circle/s.
Membership includes local unit membership, district membership or on-line membership.
(All Access membership)

INSTRUCTIONS: PLEASE **CIRCLE** COMPLETED ITEMS IN EACH of 5 CATEGORIES
(NEW OPTION SELECTIONS IN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CAN COUNT AS ONE REQUIREMENT IN ANY OF THE OTHER CATEGORIES)

I. Mission Giving

1. The Organization made and met its pledge to mission.
2. The Organization participated in FIVE-STAR GIVING
(more information also available uwfaith.org/give)
 - Pledge to Mission
 - Special Mission Recognition
 - Gift to Mission
 - Gift in Memory
 - World Thank Offering
3. The Organization supported financially or in-kind local/SUS Conference missions (school, Meals on Wheels, food pantry, homeless shelters, Mission Central, Children's Home, etc.)
4. The Organization supported financially or in-kind National Mission Institutions, such as: Neighborhood Center, Red Bird Mission and McCurdy School

II. Spiritual Growth

1. At least one member wrote or sent cards to 5 persons listed in the Prayer Calendar.
2. At least one member read a book, viewed/heard accepted media from the Spiritual Growth category in the Reading Program.
3. Had a Call to Prayer and Self Denial Service/Program
4. Held a Spiritual Enrichment Day/Spiritual event within their unit, or at least one member attended a cluster, district or joint-district spiritual event*
5. Used the Prayer Calendar in some way in a meeting.
6. The unit had a Bible study or a speaker on prayer or spirituality.
7. At least one, but preferably most members have "liked" United Women in Faith on Facebook and joined and "liked" our Susquehanna Conference UWF Facebook page.

III. Education for Mission

1. The Organization used at least one program from the Program Book during the year.
2. At least one member of the Organization subscribed to Response Magazine.
3. The unit used Response some way in at least one meeting, newsletter or other means of communication. (i.e., shared an article or based a program on one issue)
4. The Organization participated in one mission study from Mission u* (studies from the current year or past 5 years.)
5. At least one person earned a Plan 1 certificate in the Reading Program.
6. At least one member read a book or viewed/heard other accepted media from the Education for Mission category of the Reading program.

IV. Membership Nurture and Outreach

1. At least one member attended their District Annual Meeting*
2. At least one member attended the Conference Annual Meeting*
3. The unit welcomed at least one new member during the year.
4. Conducted or participated in a worship service to promote United Women in Faith.
5. At least one member read one book or viewed/heard other accepted media from the Nurturing for Community category of the Reading Program.
6. At least one member called on other members on a regular basis (at least bi-monthly) to keep connected.
7. At least one member volunteered in a food pantry, distributing clothing, food, health information, etc.
8. At least one member volunteered at Mission Central or Neighborhood Center.

V. Social Action

1. The Organization had a program or event on at least one of the Priority Goals: (2020-2024) *Racial Justice/Criminalization of Communities of Color* and *Climate Justice/Just Energy For All*. See the Program Book for ideas.
2. At least one member participated in advocacy of one of the Priority Goals.*
3. At least one member listened to two “*Voices from the Field*” podcasts.
4. At least one member attended one “*Energy Justice 4 All*” webinar.
5. Wrote to your elected officials on issues that relate to Women, Children and Youth or visited your elected official.
6. The unit used the *Social Principles* in some way as a program, study, bulletin insert or newsletter article.
7. The unit used the *Charter for Racial Justice* as a program or study.
8. At least one member read a book or viewed/heard other accepted media from the Social Action category of the Reading Program.

*virtually or in-person

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LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

1. Participated in leadership training, any level*
2. Contacted district or conference counterpart to present a program in your unit*
3. Read one book or viewed/heard other accepted media on Leadership Development category of the Reading Program

MISSION TODAY RECOGNITION:

EMERALD organization - completing one item from each of five categories

RUBY organization - completing two items from each of five categories

DIAMOND organization - completing three items from each of five categories

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**Units already using 2022's Mission Today form for 2023 may use it also for 2023. New form will be in effect for all to use for 2024.

*****Please make a copy of the completed form for your records*****

Name of Unit: _____ District: _____

Person submitting form: _____

Title/Office: _____

Contact Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Date completed: _____

Return the completed form to:

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