

New Jersey State Federation of Women Clubs of GFWC
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GFWC SIGNATURE PROJECT

DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE AWARENESS and PREVENTION

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During the 2022-2024 administration, Immediate Past President, Shirley Holly, and the Board created the NJSFWC Second Chance Domestic Violence Survivors Award. The line item for this scholarship appeared on the Continuing Funds Sheet, and clubs and members are invited to send in donations for the scholarship at any time.

As a result, enough donations were made that a \$500 award can be presented to a worthy candidate.

Clubs are encouraged to bring the scholarship application and information to local shelters, which will be included in the October ALMANAC.

Eligibility requirements will be in the October Almanac and are on the website.

It's not too early to think about the holidays. Both Domestic Violence Shelters and Seniors in Nursing homes and in Memory Care Homes are great places to contact and inquire about their resident needs.

- A collection of personal items is always needed and appreciated
- Ask to decorate a room for the holidays
- Host a holiday party for a shelter and donate coloring books, crayons, books, puzzle or new stuffed animals.
- A Nursing Home or Memory Care facility can always use lap blankets for their residents
- Don't forget the caregivers. Purchase some gifts cards for coffee, massages and local restaurants. Bake cookies and take them to the shelter or nursing facility for both residents and caregivers.