# **GFWC** Leadership, Education and Development Seminar (LEADS) APPLICATION FORM

| Name:        |   |                              |        |          |  |
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| Address:     |   | City:                        | State: | Zip:     |  |
| Phone:       |   | Email:                       |        |          |  |
| Club:        |   | District:                    |        |          |  |
| Please co    | nceal the applicant's identity du                                       | uring selection deliberation |        |          |  |
|              | swer the following questions  | -                            | sible: |          |  |
| List all loc | al club offices and/or chairman   | ships held:                  |        |          |  |
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| List GFW(    | C club/District programs/project  |                              |        |          |  |
| List positic | ons at the District, State Federa                                       |                              |        |          |  |
| Are you w    | illing to:<br>Cover costs to attend GFWC<br>Share what you have learned |                              |        | No<br>No |  |

Return this form, along with two letters of support from active GFWC club members, to your State Federation by the application deadline. State Federations submitting their candidate information to GFWC Second Vice President Mary Beth Williams and GFWC Leadership Chairman Ann Landis do not need to attach the letters of support.

### Criteria for LEADS Participation

It is highly recommended that each State Federation or International Affiliate LEADS candidate meet the following criteria:

- Demonstrates leadership capabilities at the club level as an active club president, club officer, or club project or committee chairman.
- Exhibits a commitment to the Federation.
- Exhibits an understanding of the GFWC mission of community service, illustrated by programs and projects in which she is or has been involved.
- Demonstrates leadership characteristics, including, but not limited to, organization, responsibility, trustworthiness, enthusiasm, and flexibility.
- Exhibits an interest in and willingness to pursue higher leadership positions in GFWC.
- Agrees to share information gained from participation in LEADS with others in the State Federation.
- Understands and accepts potential expenses involved in participation.
- Has not held elected positions at or beyond the state level (this criterion is recommended in order to encourage potential leaders at the club level to apply).
- Has not attended a previous LEADS program. Members are eligible to attend only once.
- Agrees to make every effort to attend the Fall GFWC Region Conference to report on their LEADS experience.
- Must be a member of a per capita dues paying club, or a delegate of an International Affiliate as noted below.

## **EXPENSES**

GFWC demonstrates its commitment to training leaders by funding a portion of the expenses of candidates who are members of per capita dues paying clubs. State Federations may consider underwriting a portion of an attendee's expenses. LEADS candidates are asked to be responsible for a portion of their expenses as an affirmation of their personal commitment to leadership development and training. LEADS participants are responsible for making their own travel and lodging arrangements.

### State Federation attendees:

- Travel and lodging stipend of \$325.00.
- Lunch during the LEADS program (no registration fee is required).

Checks will be distributed to candidates upon completion of the seminar.

### International Affiliates:

One attendee from each International Affiliate is welcome to apply and participate in LEADS at a cost of \$60.00, the GFWC stipend for travel and lodging allowance do not apply.