

International Program of Work Report

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I received reports from 12 areas out of 14 and I am very disappointed that only 64 counties out of 120 sent in their report this year. I would like to encourage the Area International Chairmen to contact the County International Chairperson who misses to send in their report and find out if there is something we can do to help them.

Reporting counties across Kentucky shown their Countywide International Event is successfully carried out showing 1,426 attendees. Area program were conducted with 268 in attendance. Understanding about cultures and heritage is the key to this program. With the highlight of sampling native foods from each countries prepared by the Extension Homemakers is a treat. Each county that conducted a Countywide International Program invited a speaker either native to the focused country or somebody who have travel there recently.

In 2015-16 Extension Homemakers around Kentucky studied 31 countries such as France, Sweden, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Ireland, England, Spain, Ghana, Tanzania, Uganda, Morocco, Panama, Ecuador, Nicaragua, Jamaica, Guatemala, Peru, Haiti, Mexico, Canada, China, India, Korea, Taiwan, Polynesia, Philippines and Australia.

Different clubs participated in International Projects outside our organization's programs such as Sole Hope, Christmas cards for the Military, Care Boxes for the troops, Pillow Case Dress for Nicaragua, panties and reusable sanitary pads for young girls in Haiti and Africa, wheelchairs for the needy in Nicaragua, Christmas Shoe Boxes and crocheted water filters cover.

ACWW Recommended Resolutions:

Tree Planting 299 participants, Access to Credit 0, Plastic Bag Recycling 530 participants, Financial Management 13 participants.

Kentucky Academy Project \$925.00 collected

Coins for Change \$4,719.02

Members participated "Grow Locally, Benefit Globally" by starting raised beds at home and sharing the bounty to neighbors who are unable to garden. Six counties started community gardens including 2 gardens in the grade school and 2 Extension Offices. Some members supported their local Farmers Market. Some members learned how to clean off gardens, proper land treatment, re-planting and rain gardens. One area did a Home based Micro-processing workshop and impacted 50 members.

Members continued to support the water filter project and more counties training the community on Disaster Preparedness Program.