

# SOROPTIMIST OF WILLIMANTIC

# SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES 2016 • 2017

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Please select one or more items that could benefit from your talent, time and treasure! Together we can help women and girls to LIVE THEIR DREAMS

# President

# Live Your Dream Award (for woman going back to school)

- Get sponsors
- Secure literature and distribute to agencies and schools
- Help candidate fill out application
- Find judges to review candidates
- Notify winner and submit application for region judging Contact

#### Soroptimist Woman Helping Women Award (formerly Ruby Award)

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- Find judges to review candidates
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## **Anniversary and Awards Celebration**

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## Helping Families at the Holidays and Food Drive

- Donate food or gift certificates for Thanksgiving Baskets
- Help assemble Baskets on Sunday before Thanksgiving
- Donate a gift for a child at Christmas
- Donate coats or warm clothing for family member Contact

#### **Domestic Violence Program Initiative (Backpacks and Bags)**

- Donate school supplies and help assemble backpacks
- Donate personal care items
- Help assemble personal care bags
- Collect discarded/outdated cell phones to be given to shelter for 911 Contact

#### **Relay for Life Soroptimist and Friends Team in October**

- Be the Team Captain
- Get sponsors
- Sell track signs or raise money for the team
- Help register and help to host survivors
- Help with information and manning Soroptimist booth.
- Assemble Raffle Basket
- Plan booth and supplies
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#### Next Step Project (transition program for incarcerated women)

- Conduct a workshop or training program
- Help with securing clothing for women
- Help with job applications and resumes Contact

#### Dream it Be It Workshop for Girls

- Help with contacting schools
- Solicit donations of food or make food
- Solicit your contacts for door prizes
- Set up and or clean-up day of event Contact

#### Service Committee

- Refer organizations that meet our mission
- Help to decide where our money will be distributed at the end of the year Contact

#### **FUNDRAISING EVENTS**

#### Heart to Heart Charity Ball in March

- Help assemble, address, and stuff invitations for events
- Help with publicity
- Solicit your business contacts for Auction items or food donations
- Volunteer to help with set up and decorate on Friday night
- Volunteer to help with clean up
- Invite your friends to attend! And purchase tickets Contact

#### Take a Stand Against Domestic Violence

- Arrange for honorary co-chairs
- Print and pass out flyers to friends and co-workers
- Keep track of donations
- Arrange printing in newspaper Contact

#### **Toast to Women Wine Tasting Fundraiser, Avon Old Farms, Nov 4,** 2016

- Invite your friends to attend! And purchase tickets
- Solicit your business contacts for Auction items and sponsors
- Volunteer to help with set up or clean up Contact

#### PUBLIC AWARENESS

- Trafficking Awareness Campaign
- Write Press Releases about club projects and fundraisers
- Send information to Webmaster and Best for Women Magazine
- Charter Communications

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#### **MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

- Ask friends, family, co-workers and peers to attend meetings or fundraising events to become aware of what we do for women and girls
- Mentor a new member by including her in discussions at meetings, social events and explaining unfamiliar terms
- Find interesting speakers for meetings
- Help with a membership event by baking, setting up, planning
- Sign up for 15 minute talk on business/hobby, etc.
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#### **LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

- Serve on the club board of directors as an officer
- Volunteer to lead a committee
- Work on annual budget
- Update bylaws
- Volunteer to report on an event or project
- ♥ Attend Fall Workshop October 22
- Attend Northeastern Region Spring Conference April 29- April 30, 2016
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