

GFWC Massachusetts Combined Annual Convention ~ At Home Service Projects

Are you missing the hands-on service projects that usually come with State Meetings? Are you thinking there won't be one for the Combined Annual Convention because the meeting is remote? Well...you can still do one! We are encouraging club members to still complete a hands-on project, but this time it will be your choice what you can do! Here's the plan ❤️

1. Decide what project you'd like to do. Some ideas are listed below, but you can do ANYTHING.
2. Gather or purchase items and supplies you need before Combined Annual Convention on May 1st.
3. While watching the Zoom for Combined Annual Convention, keep those hands busy and work on your service project!
4. Be prepared to share what you did at the conclusion of the meeting. We can't wait to see what you did!
5. Make sure to write down what you did and pass it on to the leaders of your club who compile end of year reports so it can be included in what your club accomplished in 2021.

Knit ~ Crochet ~ Tie ~ Sew ~ Assemble ~ Cut ~ Paste ~ Decorate ~ Create ~ Donate



Here are some ideas of projects you can do during the Zoom Combined Annual Convention:

- Knit hats for newborns and later donate to a local hospital.
- Cut and tie the edges of fleece blankets to be donated to shelters.
- Assemble 'time of the month' kits for school nurses to be handed out to teenage girls (feminine hygiene products, deodorant, new underwear, etc.)
- Assemble comfort bags for homeless or veterans' shelters (white socks, snacks, bandaids, bottle of water, soap/shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste, etc.)
- Crochet a reusable shopping bag out of plastic shopping bags.
- Decorate and fill out cards for local nursing homes to lift spirits.
- Gather donated books to create a 'free library'. Make and attach labels for inside covers.
- Wash out bottles and cans for a can collection. Be sure to pop off the tabs for local donations.
- Sew reusable face masks and then donate to local schools for teachers and children.
- Create beaded lanyards to attach to and hold face masks.
- Properly acquire and cut out stars from retired American flags to assemble thoughtful star bags for veterans.

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