



General Federation of Women's Clubs of Massachusetts
Lynne M. Stader, President

2018-2020 PRESIDENT'S PROJECT



MORE THAN WORDS

Visit MTW at
MTWyouth.org

**What can women's clubs accomplish
when we unite to reach ONE goal?**

**Help us collect 5,000 gently-used BOOKS
by Annual Meeting May 2019!**

More Than Words is a non-profit work-based enterprise that empowers 16-24 year olds from the foster care system, court involved, or homeless to create **positive change** in their lives.

Transform the life of a young person with the gifts of education, work, achievement and pride.

More Than Words youth run two bookstores, a café, and an online bookselling business, gaining critical life skills and resume-building experience, while generating revenue that offsets the cost of training, mentoring and educational services.

Help More Than Words reach their goal of sourcing four million books by 2020!

- **Appoint a club member to be a coordinator for Lucille Barton to connect with your club.**
- **Collect books at your monthly meetings.**
- **Hold a book drive with a local library, school, or senior center.**

Encourage members to purchase books from More Than Words.

- **Purchase books at the MTW vendor table at GFWC MA state meetings.**
- **Purchase books online at <http://mtwyouth.webstoreplace.com/>**

Clubs are also encouraged to support the Presidents Project with monetary donations using the GFWC Contribution Form by December 31, 2018.

For help arranging book pick-ups, recording book donations, and helping MTW connect with your community, contact:

Lucille Barton
President's Project Chairman
75 Amherst Road
Braintree, MA 02184
781-848-0626

FAQs about the President's Project

Are members being asked to donate new books to MTW?

NO- the President's Project does not need to cost clubs or members any money. Books should be gently-used, but they do not need to be new.

Does MTW take any kind of book? YES- MTW uses a database that allows them to determine the marketability of each book they receive. Books can be hardcover, paperback, and can be children's books, and should be gently-used, but essentially you do not need to sort books that are donated for any particular criteria.

How are the books used at More Than Words? Used books are the raw materials used to stock the in-store and on-line bookselling businesses operated by the youth at MTW. Through their employment at MTW young people learn to show up for work, meet expectations of their job, and commit to working on their educational and work goals with the help of mentors and programs that empower them to make positive changes in their lives.

Does someone need to be at headquarters if we drop off books? NO- books can be put into the Book Drop Bin individually through a slot. However, for convenience, the Headquarters Secretary does have a key to the bin so entire boxes or bags of books can be placed into the bin at once. Call Headquarters (978-443-4569) to arrange a drop off or deliver books on a day when an event is scheduled at Headquarters. Executive Board members can also help deliver books to Headquarters for their club.

Is Headquarters the only place we can drop off books? NO- check the MTWyouth.org website for a list of locations in towns with MTW Book Drop bins. Remember to count and record the number of books that are donated before taking them to a public drop bin.

Will someone come to our club and pick up our book donations? YES- please let the Lucille Barton know if you have a large supply of books ready to be delivered. If waiting for a state meeting is not convenient, state officers and members of the Executive Board who live nearby can come, and President Stader is more than happy to attend one of your club meetings as a guest and pick up the books.

Does MTW source books from my town already? Chairman Lucille Barton can help you determine if MTW already sources books from your local library, school or other provider. You can continue to donate books to your local library Friends of the Library which also use books as a source of revenue.

Can a member get a tax receipt for their donations? YES- contact Lucille to get a receipt if a member wishes a receipt for tax purposes. MTW suggests: hardcover book \$5/softcover \$4/children's book \$3.

How are clubs reporting their donations to MTW? Please fill in a MTW **Book Donation Card** to record number of books donated. Cards will be in supply at Headquarters, at state meetings and online



A More Than Words Book Drop Bin has been installed at GFWC MA Sudbury