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Applications Available for 2024 Zonta Public Affairs Award

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YOUNG WOMEN IN PUBLIC AFFAIRS AWARD

Recognizing young women for their commitment to volunteerism, volunteer leadership achievements and dedication to empowering women worldwide



1 APPLICATION, 2 OPPORTUNITIES

Club award
Varies by club

37 district awards
US\$5,000 each

Applications must be received by the applicant's local Zonta club's deadline. To locate a club near you and download an application, please visit: zonta.org/YWPAAward.

Western MA ~ Applications for the 2024 Young Women in Public Affairs Award are available from the Zonta Club of Quaboag Valley. **Applications can be obtained from the high school guidance counselors in local towns and on its website: ZontaQV.org/scholarships/.**

A local recipient will receive a \$1000 award, funded by the Zonta Club of the Quaboag Valley and will be entered for the District YWPA award. The District recipient will be eligible for a \$5,000 award from Zonta International.

According to Zonta Club President Dana Burton, the goal of the award is to encourage young women to participate in public and political life by recognizing a young woman's involvement in government, policy-making, and volunteerism. "The YWPA program looks to the young women of today for leaders of tomorrow and

advocates the Zonta International's mission of advancing the status of women worldwide," noted Burton.

To be eligible for this award, applicants must be between the ages of 16 and 19, have an active commitment to volunteerism, leadership achievements, and experience in local or student government. Applicants must be pre-university or pre-college students

Completed Application and supporting documentation are due to the Zonta Club of Quaboag Valley by March 8th.

The Zonta Club of Quaboag Valley (www.zontaqv.org) is part of Zonta International - a global community that has empowered women and girls through service and advocacy since it was founded on November 8, 1919, in Buffalo, New York, by a group of forward-thinking women who envisioned a women's service organization that would advocate for laws and policies that ensure gender equality and help every woman and girl realize her full potential. Through continuous engagement for 10 decades, Zonta International has become a respected and reliable agent of civil society. As a non-governmental organization with general consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, the organization promotes and strives to protect the human rights of all women and girls and reduce the incidences of violence against them. Since 1923, Zonta has provided more than US\$50 million to empower women and expand their access to education, health care, economic opportunities, and safe living conditions. Zonta's nearly 1,200 clubs support local and regional initiatives in 63 countries worldwide.