

Development VP Report 2020-2021

Last November I sent an article to the Branch thanking everyone and listing all our members who donated to the Spring 2020 Fundraiser. The fundraiser was a success. \$6,180.00 was donated to fund the Poughkeepsie AAUW Branch initiatives and scholarships.

The Poughkeepsie Branch is requested to donate at least \$3,000.00 by the end of each year to AAUW National so that the Poughkeepsie Branch can have six named honorees at the Annual meeting. Congratulations to our Branch! This year our members donated \$3,867.50 to the National Greatest Needs Fund.

To determine if a Spring fundraiser was necessary in 2021, I met with President Monique Jones, Treasurer Pat Luczia, and Initiative Chair Vivian Rose. After our discussion it was decided that a Spring Donation Fundraiser was not needed. This year due to COVID-19 restrictions there was limited Community Initiative activities and there are enough funds available for the remainder of this Fiscal year.

For the May 2021 Poughkeepsie Branch newsletter, an article was sent reminding our members that there are two ways to support our initiatives and scholarships.

1-Donate when you renew your dues for 2021/2022

2-Donate anytime at the Poughkeepsie Branch Website

<https://poughkeepsie-ny.aauw.net>

Each year AAUW Poughkeepsie awards two \$600.00 scholarships to Dutchess Community College to two non-traditional women students graduating from DCC and continuing their education at a four year institution. Due to COVID-19 there will not be a ceremony for the DCC Scholarship Awards. The awards will be given out in the beginning of June.

Respectfully submitted,

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