



GCI Award Application

Date- 10-4-2022

Award#: 23 Award Name : Civic Concern

Submitted by: Woodlands Garden Club of Lake Forest IL. Club Size- 20

1. **New project:** Yes_____ No__X_____

2. Brief Summary and Objectives of Project

The Gorton Community Center Garden is one of our Club's ongoing projects. The garden is located at the main entrance to the Community Center. Its purpose is to provide a beautiful pathway for those entering the Gorton Center. Our club also creates a total of 5 seasonal planters for the Gorton Center and CROYA [Committee Representing Our Young Adults] center in Lake Forest.

3. Involvement of Club Members

Our members participate every year in the spring cleanup of the garden and planting of annuals. During the summer members, volunteer for a week at a time to maintain the garden. In the fall, we have a group assigned to cleanup and to plant bulbs for the spring. Members plant the Gorton and CROYA planters in the spring and then change out the plants for summer. Total man-hours for spring and fall clean-up were about 25 hours and 54 hours for summer maintenance.

4. Project expenses and means of funding

The cost for maintaining the Gorton Garden was \$195.69. The cost for the CROYA and Gorton planters was \$92.96. All funds for these two projects came from members dues.

5. Continuing Involvement, Follow-up & Maintenance

In addition to the items noted above, a small group of members meet periodically to review the status of the garden overall, plan for plant replacements and additions, and schedule the volunteers.

6. Photos



**CROYA
PLANTERS**



**GORTON
PLANTERS**



GORTON GARDEN

