



2017-2018 Galaxy Award AAUW Mission-Based Programs

AAUW Missouri is pleased to announce the 9th year of the **AAUW Missouri Galaxy Award**. This award is the “extra mile” of the AAUW Missouri Star Program and will be given at the 2018 state meeting in May to those branches that submit their best branch project, event, or program that promotes education, or equity in their community. The initiative must incorporate these AAUW priorities: membership development, outreach to diverse people or groups, visibility, leadership development, and technology. The project must be AAUW mission based.

Below are some project subjects that qualify for the Galaxy Award (links are to AAUW research or resources):

- AAUW MO Public Policy priority [Title IX](#)
 - Campus safety; bullying; [Crossing the Line: Sexual Harassment at School \(2011\)](#)
 - Gender equity in education: [Why So Few? Women in Science Technology, Engineering and Mathematics \(2010\)](#); [Focus on Girls and Women Involvement in STEM Fields](#)
- AAUW MO Public Policy priority [Pay Equity](#)
 - [The Simple Truth About the Gender Pay Gap \(2017\)](#)
 - [Deeper in Debt, Women and Student Loans \(2017\)](#)
- Public education: [Women in Community Colleges: Access to Success \(2013\)](#)
- Other branch projects that meet AAUW goals and mission.

Visit AAUW’s website (aauw.org) for ideas. Enter “Programs in a Box” for complete program ideas, “presentations” to find Powerpoints of research reports, or “2017 convention” for resources and materials from the 2017 convention.

To receive the Galaxy Award, here is what you will need to do:

- Choose one program for which your branch will seek recognition.
- By **February 1, 2018**, call or send a short description (2-3 sentences) about your project to AAUW MO Program VP Marsha Koch. She is also available to discuss program options.
- By **April 2, 2018**, submit to AAUW MO Program VP Marsha Koch a Galaxy Award Report (maximum 250 words) summarizing your program and explaining how it promoted the AAUW mission and incorporated the AAUW priorities listed above.
- Prepare a visual display about your program. Use photos, publicity, etc., to show off and explain your program and encourage other branches to work on similar projects.
- On **May 5, 2018**, share your display at the state leadership conference. Be prepared to discuss your program/project with members.

Questions? Contact AAUW MO Program VP Marsha Koch.

Mail or email your Galaxy Award Report to:

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You will be notified by email when your report has been received.