

The American Association of University Women (AAUW) empowers women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. Our nonpartisan, nonprofit organization has more than 170,000 members and supporters across the United States as well as 1,000 local branches and 800 college and university partners.

AAUW Mission

To advance gender equity for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy.

Education and Equity for Women and Girls

For more information about AAUW:

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AAUW Anacortes Branch

The Anacortes branch of AAUW was chartered in 1956, and since that time it has awarded over \$75,000 in scholarships to local women and girls.

Membership is open to anyone with a two-year associate's degree or higher.

Student Affiliation is open to anyone who does not already hold an undergraduate degree and is enrolled in a two or four year regionally accredited educational institution.

College or University Partner Membership is open to regionally accredited educational institutions, including two-year or community colleges.

AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, or class.

Join: We invite you to learn more about our active branch, our members, programs and scholarships. Contact us at <u>aauwanacortes@gmail.com</u>





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Fundraising



Jingle Bell Dash: This is a community 5K and 10K run or walk sponsored by our branch every proceeds support

STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) awards and scholarships for middle and high school



girls. These awards are given in March based on recommendations made by AHS and AMS teachers.

Tech Trek: STEM camp is hosted each summer by AAUW Washington and supported by AAUW National at two university locations. Our branch solicits funds from local businesses that wish to support STEM careers.

Legal Advocacy Fund (LAF): The

Anacortes branch supports this fund which works at the national level to challenge sex discrimination in the workplace and higher education. Donations are collected at a summer barbecue.



Tote Bags: Attractive grocery/tote bags made from recycled plastic bottles are for sale at The Market for \$8. The bags feature full-color scenic photos from the Anacortes area and logos from business sponsors.

Scholarship Fundraiser:

This annual Spring event is hosted by members to raise scholarship



money for local women who are continuing their studies in an undergraduate, graduate or technical degree program. We feature a speaker of local interest in addition to of introducing some our former scholarship recipients.

Membership Benefits

- Attend monthly meetings that are open to the public and include interesting speakers on a variety of topics.
- Stay informed with a monthly newsletter and annual directory.
- Enjoy a summer barbecue and a Christmas holiday party with members.
- Participate in the annual Book Talk.
- Promote voter education.
- Offer scholarships and awards for local women and girls.
- Recognize middle and high school students who wish to pursue careers in STEM fields.
- Meet and network with educated women.
- Become informed about state and national issues.

Dues are \$90 per year allocated for the national (\$59), state (\$10) and local (\$21) levels to support our goals and activities. Our branch is affiliated with the Anacortes Schools Foundation in order to offer tax deductions for scholarship donations.

