



The American Association of University Women, Stockton Branch

## Membership Application

2025-26

Please complete and return this form with your check (made out to AAUW)  
to Diane Oren, 1800 Mettler Road, Lodi, CA 95242

Dues \$114 (\$20 local, \$20 state, \$74 national) Effective July 1, 2025

(Shape the Future dues \$78: National \$38, state \$20, and Branch \$20)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

College \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

Degree(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Year(s) Earned \_\_\_\_\_

Our branch membership directory includes a professional section where you can be listed by your occupation.  
Would you like to be listed in this section? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been a member of AAUW before? Where and for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

### Are you interested in participating in any of these activities?

#### Program Committees

\_\_\_\_\_ International Affairs

\_\_\_\_\_ Public Policy

#### Community Involvement

\_\_\_\_\_ Essay Competition

\_\_\_\_\_ Thanks for Giving Tea

\_\_\_\_\_ Reading is Fundamental

\_\_\_\_\_ Tech Trek Math and Science Camp

\_\_\_\_\_ STEM Trek Mentoring Program

#### Interest Groups

\_\_\_\_\_ Book Group

\_\_\_\_\_ Bunco Group

\_\_\_\_\_ Diversity, Equity, Inclusion (DEI)

\_\_\_\_\_ Gourmet Groups

\_\_\_\_\_ Pop Up Group

\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday Wisdom Group

\_\_\_\_\_ Writing Group

#### Other

\_\_\_\_\_ Communication/Publicity

\_\_\_\_\_ Newsletter

\_\_\_\_\_ Underwriting/Fundraising

\_\_\_\_\_ Branch meeting hospitality

Who referred you to AAUW? \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*In principle and practice, 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.*

*Thank you for joining the American Association of University Women*

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**Programs:** These are functions of state and national AAUW efforts to achieve goals of the organizations. There are two important ones that require awareness of issues brought to our local AAUW by state and national. A member of the branch will report to the general membership about issues for awareness and action as necessary.

**International Affairs Committee:** This group apprises members of international issues.

**Public Policy**

Working to advance gender equity through advocacy, we support economic security for all women, equal access to quality public education for all students, social & racial justice for all members of society, and increased representation of women in leadership roles. This group studies and informs the general membership of these important issues.

**Community Involvement:** Being an organization of university graduates that promotes equity, education and intellectual growth, individual worth, and development of opportunities for women and girls, we serve our community in a variety of ways.

**Tech Trek** is a weeklong sleep-away STEM camp held in June for graduating 7th-grade girls. This committee works to involve teachers in SUSD to nominate girls, and then facilitates the application process. Ultimately, Tech Trek Committee interviews the applicants and selects which girls Stockton AAUW will send to camp.

**The Mentor Program** has been in existence for approximately 16 years. We invite 8th grade girls who have completed Tech Trek Camp to join our program to last through high school graduation. The girls are generally from low socioeconomic backgrounds and need the assistance of college educated women to help them negotiate life in all areas. Our ultimate goal is for them to gain a college education. To that end we strive to instill social skills as well as educational guidance through monthly activities designed to give them opportunities for experiences they would not otherwise be able to have.

Mentors must be able to relate well to teenagers of all ethnicities and be reasonably physically fit in order to keep up with them.

**Essay Competition:** Each year Stockton branch AAUW sponsors an essay contest for area high school students. AAUW members promote this activity within area high schools and also judge the essays. Students who are awarded receive a monetary prize as well as a plaque.

**Reading is Fundamental:** This oldest and largest non-profit literacy program in the U.S. is managed locally by AAUW-Stockton. We distribute a variety of beautiful free books at three targeted schools, bringing the joy of reading to over 1,200 TK-6 students twice a year. Volunteers from AAUW help with the distribution.

**Thanks for Giving Tea:** This successful November fundraiser for AAUW needs many hands to help with food, table setting, baskets, set up and clean up, entertainment, and all the work involved in a formal tea for over two hundred people. It is a great way to meet members.

**Interest Groups:** Along with building friendships, personal development and continuing intellectual growth are also functions of AAUW. To that end there are interest groups.

**Write On!**

Are you interested in documenting personal and family history? Join us for monthly meetings that include meaningful writing activities and compelling conversation to get your creative juices flowing so that you can Write On!

### **Bunco**

If you want to play, you may want to join an AAUW Bunco group or start a new group. No experience is necessary; the group will teach you. Fun, friendship, and laughter guaranteed.

### **Gourmet**

The Gourmet interest group is for members who enjoy eating and socializing. Don't let the title fool you as it could be a simple singles or couple group that dines out, does pot lucks, or creates menus with interesting recipes. New groups can be started depending on the interests and appetites.

### **DEI Interest Group**

This group will discuss the challenges of our society and organizations to better reflect diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI). Come join us for both lively and challenging meetings. It is an opportunity for each of us to teach a little while learning a little from others. All are welcome.

**Saturday Wisdom Group** is an interest group where members meet monthly and discuss a myriad of topics, in a small, friendly group. Topics may range from current events or trends, to light-hearted, random conversation starters.

**Pop Up Group** When you have an activity idea in which you'd like to engage other AAUW members, it's a "Pop Up" activity. It may be attending a sporting event or theater production on a specific day with AAUW members, you'd contact people via email or The Steamer. Pop Up groups have scheduled morning walks or gone to a film or just had dinner together. It is a once or twice time get together that may turn into something more or not!

**Book Group:** If you are a reader and want to know what is a good book, join a book group or create a new group. AAUW has some established book groups but new ones are always welcome. If you are interested in creating a unique group such as Fantasy Book Group or Thriller Book Group, you will find like-minded readers in AAUW.

**Book Group Lite:** This group replaced a defunct book group. The focus of Book Group Lite is to read "lighter novels" although not limited to just those. Members take turns hosting the meetings: selecting the book; choosing the date and time and restaurant, making the restaurant reservation; and leading the discussion.

## **Service to the Organization:**

**Communication/Publicity:** Being a cohesive group requires knowing who we are and what we are doing. This means informing media sources of branch activities. It is public relations. It is a good way to learn the community of AAUW and San Joaquin County.

**Newsletter:** The newsletter requires articles and items to share with members. We get to know who we are and what we do.

**Fundraising/Underwriting:** Stockton Branch AAUW has many projects that benefit the community and these need funds to continue the effectiveness and to grow and reach more in our community. Individual donations and fund raisers keep programs afloat; however, to make programs and community involvement grow, the branch needs fundraisers and grants.

**Branch Meeting Hospitality:** The best part of meetings is the community we share before meetings; getting to know and communicate with members over coffee and pastry starts our excellent programs each meeting. Hospitality members prepare coffee and goodies before the meeting and clean up after.

