

MISSION STATEMENT

Women of Woodside, Inc. is a not-for-profit 501 (c) 4 organization composed of women who are residents or property owners within the Woodside Plantation Property Owners Association jurisdiction (including tenants in an owner's home) or Associate Members who have been members in good standing of W.O.W., Inc. for two (2) consecutive fiscal years within the last five (5) years and no longer own property within the jurisdiction of the Woodside Plantation Property Owners Association. Our by-laws state the group serves two objectives: (1) Fundraising and Volunteering and (2) Residents' Enjoyment. 2016 is our 28th year.

Fundraising and Volunteering

Women of Woodside, Inc. is dedicated to contributing to the well-being of our community through fundraising and volunteering.

Some of our fundraisers include our annual membership drive (starting July 1) with annual Kick-Off Event in September, a Holiday Home Tour and the W.O.W. Cup Charity Golf Tournament. Our Community Services volunteer arm provides many opportunities for working for and in the community. During the year, you can find us collecting diapers or food for area agencies, buying holiday gifts for the needy through our Angel Project, repainting children's rooms at Helping Hands or lending a hand at the Special Olympics.

With your help this past year, W.O.W. was able to support many local charities with money, food, clothes and supplies with more than \$107,000 in donations. Some of the organizations that benefited included: A.C.T.S., Aiken Regional Library, American Red Cross, Council on Aging, Children's Place, Christ Central Ministries, Community Medical Clinic of Aiken County, First Tee, Golden Harvest Food Bank, Habitat for Humanity, Helping Hands, Julliard of Aiken, Mental Health America of Aiken County, The Salvation Army, Saratoga Warhorse, Savannah River Cancer Foundation, SPCA, United Way of Aiken and Wounded Warriors CGC.

As you will see from the listing of volunteer activities found in our Community Services brochure, there are many opportunities for residents to contribute to the community that we call home.

Residents of Woodside Plantation who need our help are aided by the Welcome and Member Support Committee. This committee is made up of volunteers who provide needed services—such as transportation, errands, meals and respite visits to Woodside residents during emergencies. It also helps provide for those with ongoing needs and ensures that residents are not forgotten in times when their spirits need lifting.

Residents Enjoyment

Women of Woodside, Inc. also endeavors to enhance the enjoyment of our residents by supporting special interest groups and promoting group activities throughout the year. Beyond the W.O.W. Kick-Off in September, W.O.W. schedules luncheons in October and February, a Mixer in January, a Fashion Show in May and we are pleased to announce this year's W.O.W. Enrichment Speakers Series, which will be held at various times during the year.

We have book clubs, couples bridge, a Garden Club, an active Singles Group and an Out-to-Lunch Bunch, which are only a few of the W.O.W. activities available to its members. These activities are listed in the *Life in Woodside Plantation* magazine along with upcoming events and volunteer opportunities. You can also visit us at our website for up-to-date events and activities at :

<http://www.womenofwoodside.com>