

EDITH W. NELSON ENVIRONMENTAL AWARD COMPLETED ENTRIES TO BE SENT TO:

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The **Edith W. Nelson Environmental Award** was authorized by the District Two Board of Directors in April 1994 to honor Edith W. Nelson, International President 1959-1961. The award was established to recognize local clubs that participate in a variety of activities that protect and enhance the environment.

Clubs submit entries according to the criteria established by the District Two Board of Directors. The District Two Membership Development Committee Chairman will chair judging with two additional members appointed by the District Governor.

The first three place winners receive award certificates with the first place winner receiving \$50.00 from the District.

Objectives:

To encourage local clubs to participate in a variety of activities that protect and enhance the environment.

To reward a job well done

Judging Criteria:

The score is based on a total of 100 points.

The first 5 items are of value in increasing awareness of environmental concerns, but do not require a large expenditure of time and involvement by members. Each item is worth 5 points.

The last 5 items take planning and involvement by club members, and are likely to be ongoing activities. Space is allowed for a brief description, and a continuation page may be attached. Each is worth 10-15 points based on the following:

- Percent of members involved
- Project originated by the club
- Project met a community need or recognized a contribution that met a community need.

If a club has selected an environmental project based on a community survey to establish a need, and is in the process of developing and implementing the project, it should be entered in the Mamie L. Bass Service Award competition. A copy of that entry should be attached to the Edith Nelson Award entry. A bonus of 25 points will be awarded.

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Place a check mark beside the items that apply to your club. All activities must have occurred during the current judging period of April 1 through March 31, immediately preceding District Conference.

Altrusa International, Inc of _____ **Maximum Points** **Points Scored**

Article I.

I. Each activity checked is worth 5 points. 25 _____

- Used email as the primary distribution mode for your newsletter.
- Used recycled paper for your yearbook
- Had a club program on an environmental issue or concern.
- Published an article in your newsletter addressing an environmental issue.
- Planted a tree in a park or some similar beautification project for your community.

II. Provide a brief description of your club's involvement in any of these activities that you check. 75 _____

Each activity checked is worth 10 to 15 points based on the following:

- Percent of members involved
 - Project was initiated by your club
 - Project met an environmental need or recognized a contribution that met an environmental need in your community.
- Participated in an environmental awareness program such as Earth Day, that provides information to the public, or recycling and other environmental concerns.
 - Participated in a trash pick up along a road, a street, in a park, etc.
 - Presented an Altrusa International, Inc. Recycling Award to an individual, a business, or community group in recognition of their efforts in protecting the environment.
 - Sponsored a poster, art, or essay contest promoting recycling and preserving the environment.
 - Other: Describe an environmental project your club did that could not be included under one of the above activities.

TOTAL POINTS