



## What is the Women's Commission?

The Commission seeks to enhance the status of and opportunities for all women in Fort Collins.

- \* Document issues of importance to the status of women in the City.
- \* Conduct educational programs in the Fort Collins community to increase public awareness and sensitivity to the needs and capabilities of all women.
- \* Cooperate with other organizations and individuals interested in issues affecting women in Fort Collins.
- \* Review proposed legislation, policy changes or other governmental action at the federal, state or local level that would enhance or otherwise affect the status of women in the City and make recommendations to the City Council regarding the same.
- \* Recommend to the City Council the adoption of local legislation or policies that would enhance the status of women in the City.

The Women's Commission meets from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month at 215 N. Mason, Room 1B. Meetings are open to the public. Our agendas, minutes, work plans, annual reports, bylaws and meeting schedule are online at [www.fcgov.com/cityclerk/women-status.php](http://www.fcgov.com/cityclerk/women-status.php).



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Fort Collins makes almost everybody's "Top 10" list of desirable living traits because of our community's commitment to health, recreation, education, business, safety, the environment, retirement and aging issues, the arts, and aesthetics.

The Fort Collins Women's Commission shares that commitment. We are a volunteer committee that is appointed to serve in an advisory capacity to the Fort Collins City Council.

Our goals address safety, health and poverty.

## Honoring Individuals Who Help Women

Every year, in collaboration with Women Give of Larimer County, we accept nominations for the Marcille N. Wood award, which recognizes women and men who significantly contributed to the status of women in our community. The award is in memory of Marcille Norby Wood, who volunteered in Fort Collins for 40 years.

Nomination forms are available at the Women's Commission's website:  
<http://www.fcgov.com/cityclerk/women-status.php>. The winner is recognized at an awards banquet each year.



## Safety Resources

The women's commission safety subcommittee seeks to inform the public on local resources available for victims of domestic or sexual assault. Domestic or sexual assault can affect individuals physically, as well as mentally, emotionally and economically.

**Crossroads Safehouse**  
*Outreach and shelter for domestic violence victims and their children.*  
www.crossroadssafehouse.org  
1-888-541-SAFE, mail@crossroadssafehouse.org

**Fort Collins Police Victim's Assistance**  
*Legal and judicial advice.*  
970-224-6089

**Victim/Witness Services (Larimer County)**  
*A program of the District Attorney's Office. Compensation, legal advice and safety.*  
970-498-7285

**SAVA (Sexual Assault Victim Advocate Center)**  
*Counseling & resources for victims of sexual assault.*  
www.savacenter.org,  
24-hour rape crisis hot line: 970-472-4200  
Office: 970-472-4204 or office@savacenter.org

**CSU Victim Assistance Team (VAT)**  
*Resources for victims of sexual assault who are CSU students.*  
On-call advocates: 970-491-7111, Office: 970-491-6384

## Health Resources

The women's commission health subcommittee supports healthy living practices and raising awareness about women's health concerns. It shares information on general health and wellness resources available to women in our community, such as the new dental connections program.

**Health District of Northern Colorado**  
*Various community services.*  
970-224-5209, info@healthdistrict.org

**Women, Infants and Children (WIC)**  
*Food and nutrition assistance and resources.*  
970-498-6720, www.co.larimer.co.us/health/chs/wis.asp

**Summit Stone Health**  
*Mental and substance abuse services.*  
970-494-4200, www.summitstonehealth.org

**Dental Connections**  
*Dental services for people in Larimer County.*  
970-493-3366, www.lcdentalconnections.org

## Poverty Resources

The women's commission poverty subcommittee focuses on helping our community to understand the impact of poverty in Fort Collins. It also raises awareness about community resources.

**The Family Center/La Familia**  
*Affordable, high quality family and early childhood services.*  
970-221-1615, www.thefamilycenterfc.org

**Hand Up Cooperative**  
*Self-sufficiency assistance for the homeless or near homeless.*  
970-494-9700, www.handupcooperative.org

**Food Bank for Larimer County**  
*Food service and pantry.*  
970-493-4477, www.foodbanklarimer.org