



As your 63rd president, I embark on the GFWC Texas 2024-2026 Administration with shared excitement and anticipation. Together, we can achieve great things in the next two years.

The theme for this administration, 'It's not where you start; it's where you finish,' is a testament to our collective power. Like the butterfly that will symbolize this administration, we can transform and achieve greatness from humble beginnings.

My project for this administration is human trafficking. To make a difference in this horrible epidemic, we will partner with GFWC Affiliate Organization Hope for Justice, sponsor a day at the capitol to bring awareness to the situation to Texas legislators and work with local organizations to support survivors of trafficking.

During the last administration, the Strategic Planning Committee worked to develop a strategic plan to focus our activities on meeting GFWC Texas's goals. It is time to ensure we perform the necessary tasks to meet those goals. This will require communicating with all members to ensure they understand their role. The summer workshops will focus on this as the executive committee travels across the state.

As members of this organization, we may not change the world, but we can change our attitude toward it. We can do something about improving our particular corner of it. We can take a project and work on it. Every single one of us has something unique to offer. It may be leadership qualities; it may be a listening ear. It could be that we have a list of the right contacts. My challenge as President is to use all your talents for the benefit of GFWC Texas. Let's all work to engage all members to use their talents to enhance our volunteer efforts to improve our world.

We all need laughter, brightness, and fun. I will attempt to ensure we have fun as we work hard to meet our goals. The water we are entering may be smooth or rough. We will undoubtedly face storms from time to time. We may lose some members while others jump in to join us. Whatever our organization does, I hope we are headed for a better shore.

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