



## B-W Conference United Methodist Women - Diversity Today Unit Program

### (Optional Charter for Racial Justice Implementation Tool)

#### Submission Form

Unit \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted By \_\_\_\_\_

**Unit Status:** Check one of the following:

\_\_\_ **DIAMOND** Unit having completed 6 or more (2 or more from **each** of the 3 categories) of the following actions

\_\_\_ **RUBY** Unit having completed 4 or more (2 from "Activities Beyond the Local Unit", 1 from **each** of the other 2 categories) of the following actions

\_\_\_ **PEARL** Unit having completed 2 or more (1 from at least 2 different categories) of the following actions

#### **Unit Programming Activities:**

- 1 \_\_\_ Devoted a meeting to studying and discussing Charter for Racial Justice Policies
- 2 \_\_\_ Used a program on racial justice/human rights from the UMW Program Book and/or "*Tools for UMW Leaders: Resources for Racial Justice*" handbook (Link on the bwcumw web page)
- 3 \_\_\_ Participated in a Bible study on racism (examples available in "Resources for Racial Justice" handbook)
- 4 \_\_\_ Watched and discussed videos related to racial justice
- 5 \_\_\_ Invited an international guest to come and speak about their home country
- 6 \_\_\_ Regularly shared local newspaper articles relating to racism (both positive and negative)
- 7 \_\_\_ Regularly shared articles from *Response* and *New World Outlook* relating to racism

#### **Unit Enrichment Activities:**

- 8 \_\_\_ Displayed Charter for Racial Justice Policies AND lifted up at least one issue at each unit meeting
- 9 \_\_\_ Supplied each member with a copy of the Charter for Racial Justice Policies and the UMW Racial Justice Timeline
- 10 \_\_\_ Purchased and discussed two UMW Reading Program books about a different culture or written by someone of a different racial or ethnic background
- 11 \_\_\_ Participated in a qualifying UMW social action mission study
- 12 \_\_\_ Studied in-depth a particular issue relating to the Charter for Racial Justice Policies, e.g., racism, immigration rights, voting rights, racial/ethnic profiling, etc.
- 13 \_\_\_ Visited the Racial Justice site on the United Methodist Women web page, and worked with the District and the Conference Committee on the Charter for Racial Justice.

#### **Activities Beyond the Local Unit:**

- 14 \_\_\_ Gave a Special Mission Recognition pin to someone who works to promote racial justice
- 15 \_\_\_ Sent one (1) member to Mission U to take the social action study
- 16 \_\_\_ Held a postcard or letter writing campaign encouraging legislation supporting the economically deprived or challenged
- 17 \_\_\_ Experienced worship with a church of an ethnic background different from your own
- 18 \_\_\_ Hosted an International tasting party, cultural fair or other event
- 19 \_\_\_ Planned a worship experience for your unit or church with an emphasis on racial justice, e.g., UMW Sunday, etc.

#### **Guidelines:**

1. Place an X beside your requested Unit Status (DIAMOND, RUBY, PEARL).
2. Place an X beside the numbered items you have completed in each of the above 3 categories. Numbers are sequential throughout the three categories to facilitate your submission.
3. Check the item on the *Mission Today Unit* criteria sheet to indicate, "Participated as a unit in the B-W Conference Charter for Racial Justice *UMW Diversity Today Unit Program*".
4. Local UMW Units: Forward your Unit's completed Form for the Charter for Racial Justice *UMW Diversity Today Unit Program* to your District UMW President on the same date the *Mission Today Unit* criteria is submitted to your District.
5. District UMW Presidents: Recognize units that qualify for DIAMOND, RUBY, or PEARL status at the District Annual Meeting. Forward the names / associated status of local units participating in the *Diversity Today Unit Program* to the B-W Conference Charter for Racial Justice Committee, Attn: Conference President, for inclusion in B-W Conference UMW annual documents.

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