



District IX, Garden Clubs of Illinois, Inc.
2025 Excellence in Programs Award
Application Form

Submitted by Garden Club: _____ Date: _____

Club President: _____ Club Code: _____

Contact Info: (For person completing this form) _____ No of Members: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____ State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Name of State Organization: The Garden Clubs of Illinois, Inc.

District IX Awards Chair: Laura Vertz

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The purpose of the award is to recognize excellence in both the development and execution of club programs. Please answer these questions in 3 pages or less. The detailed list of programs (#8 below) can be additional pages. **BE SURE** to also read instructions for each point below on the awards tab of the District IX website: www.districtix-gci.org/awards

1. Please provide the dates for the program year you're choosing for this application, be it calendar year or the year as defined by your club. (3 points)
2. What was your best program so far during the program year and why was it your favorite? (5 points)
3. Prior to developing your programs, did you refer to a mission statement or an overall strategy for your program selections? If so, please describe in one paragraph. (10 points)
4. What approaches do you use to pay for your programs? (5 points)
5. Input in choosing programs: How did you solicit input from members regarding program development? Email? Survey? Meeting Discussion? Board Discussion? Any other approach? (10 points)
6. Feedback on programs: Did you provide members with a method or methods to give feedback on your programs? If so, please describe. (10 points)
7. Was a complete listing of your programs included in your yearbook, on your website, and/or provided to members in some type of handout? (10 points)
8. Please include a detailed list of your programs including title, description, and speaker. It is optional to also include how you found the speakers and their contact information. (10 points)

Please email this form and your application pages to: awards.dist.ix.gci@gmail.com