



NEW JERSEY FEDERATION
of REPUBLICAN WOMEN

— SINCE 1929 —

PROMOTING STRONG REPUBLICAN WOMEN FOR OFFICE

FACT BOOK

★ 2026 ★

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MEMBERSHIP GROWTH ★ GRASSROOTS MOBILIZATION ★ ELECTING REPUBLICAN WOMEN



95TH

ANNIVERSARY

95 YEARS OF LEADERSHIP

1929 – 2026

CELEBRATING AMERICA 250



President's Message

PROTECT. EMPOWER. LEAD.

It is with profound gratitude, humility, and a deep sense of responsibility that I accept the honor of serving as President of the New Jersey Federation of Republican Women.

My journey has taught me that leadership is not defined by a title, but by the courage to stand for what is right, the strength to serve others, and the faith to continue forward when the path is not always easy. From my journey as an immigrant who found opportunity in this great nation, to becoming an attorney, a community leader, and founder of the Mama Bear Foundation, I have witnessed firsthand the power of perseverance, freedom, and the American dream.

I believe the New Jersey Federation of Republican Women represents something greater than an organization. We are a sisterhood of women who believe that our voices matter, our families matter, our communities matter, and the freedoms entrusted to us must never be taken for granted.

As President, I will work to strengthen our Federation, unite our remarkable women, encourage new voices, and create opportunities for women to lead with confidence, purpose, and courage. We will honor the women who built the foundation upon which we stand, support those who are carrying the responsibility today, and prepare the next generation to carry the torch forward.

Our work is not simply about what we accomplish during our term. It is about what we leave behind. A stronger Federation.

A stronger community.

A stronger voice for women.

And a legacy worthy of those who came before us and those who will follow.

I believe that when women stand together with conviction and purpose, there is no limit to what we can accomplish. When we lead with faith, serve with compassion, and stand with courage, we do more than make a difference—we create lasting change.

This presidency is not about one woman. It is about all of us. It is about the power of women united by shared values, shared purpose, and an unwavering belief in the promise of America.

With faith in God, gratitude for this extraordinary nation, love for our families, and confidence in the women beside me, I look forward to serving, leading, and building a legacy together.

With gratitude, faith, and determination,

Shirley Maia-Cusick

President

New Jersey Federation of Republican Women



ABOUT THE NEW JERSEY FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN

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The NJFRW encourages women to participate in the activities and goals of the Republican Party.

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with the

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With strength from the memberships' diversity of opinion, experience & culture, the NJFRW provides events to increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government; recognizes & encourages women to develop into political leaders of the future; supports candidates & policies of the Republican Party to promote the betterment & advancement of the people of New Jersey.

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THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN



Founded in 1938, the National Federation of Republican Women is a grassroots political organization with thousands of active members in local clubs across the nation and in several U.S. territories, making it one of the largest and most influential women's political organizations in the country. We work to promote the principles, objectives and policies of the Republican Party; elect Republican candidates; inform the public through political education and activity; and, increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government.

Once an auxiliary of the Republican National Committee, the NFRW is financially and organizationally independent today.

The NFRW uses its resources to:

- Promote an informed public through political education and activity;
- Increase the effectiveness of women in the cause of good government;
- Facilitate cooperation among the national, state and club organizations;
- Support Republican objectives and policies and work for the election of Republican nominees
- Foster loyalty to the Republican Party and promote its principles and candidates.

In working toward these objectives, the NFRW concentrates its efforts in the areas of educating, communicating, recruiting, campaigning, fundraising, training and legislative action.

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*2026 Republican Woman
Of The Year The Honorable*

Cyndy Gallenthin

- New Jersey Federation's 55th Republican Woman of the Year—2026
- New Jersey Federation of Republican Women President 2022-2026
- Republican District Delegate for 2024 Republican National Convention
- New Jersey Federation of Republican Women Board of Governors
- Gloucester County Federated Club Founder in 2015
- Gloucester County Federated Club Chair
- Woodbury County Committeewoman
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1971 Ann D. Flynn, Monmouth*
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1976 Olivia Fanelle, Camden
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1977 Marie Muhler, Monmouth
1978 Leanna Brown, Morris*
1979 Barbara Curran, Union
1980 Ruth Stevenson, Essex*
1981 Jane Clayton, Monmouth
1982 Gloria Kempf, Middlesex
1983 Lenna Plant, Cape May*
1984 Marge Roukema, Essex*
1985 Catherine Setaro, Ocean*
1986 Betty Stone, Monmouth*
1987 Anne Richards, Gloucester*
1988 Bertha Beres, Cumberland*
1989 Peg Walling, Morris*
1990 Jean Dinsmore, Morris*
1991 Cathy Calaprico, Middlesex*
1992 Terry Nagel, Monmouth*
1993 Virginia Littell, Sussex
1994 Gov. Christine Todd Whitman,
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1995 Grace Azzolina-Scaduto, Monmouth*
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2006 Sherine El-Abd, Passaic
2007 Gailanne Barth, Somerset*
2009 Virginia Rutledge, Warren
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2011 Lynne S. Nutley, Ocean*
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2015 Freeholder Serena DiMaso,
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2017 Susan Enderly, Passaic
2018 Betty Schultheis, Warren*
2019 Eve R. Hershkowitz, Monmouth
2020 Event Canceled due to Covid
2021 Cathy Callahan, Somerset
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Hon. Cyndy Gallenthin

**2026 NJFRW 55th
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WOMAN OF THE YEAR**