

# The Kathy Kellums Mentorship and Encouragement Award

## Candidate Application

This award is to recognize BPW members who have mentored and encouraged other BPW members to grow both personally and professionally inside and outside of the organization.

Any member of BPW/OH in good standing may apply. Include with the application a 250-500 word typed essay describing why this candidate (also a member of BPW/OH in good standing) should be considered for this award. Please include specific examples of the member's mentorship and encouragement and why you think they deserve this award.

Application and 250–500-word typewritten essay must be submitted one of three ways:

Email to:	Mail to:	In Person
Paulette Knazek pknazekbpw@gmail.com	Paulette Knazek, Mentorship & Encouragement Chair 228 Adams Street Zanesville, OH 43701	At the BPW/Ohio Leadership Training on April 16, 2026.

Application and essay must be received by: April 15, 2026, to be considered. If mailing your application, please mail it early to ensure it arrives on or before April 15, 2026.

The Mentorship & Encouragement Committee members will evaluate and choose the winner of the award to be announced and presented at the BPW/OH State Conference in May.

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Name of the **\*candidate you are nominating:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Region \_\_\_\_\_ Local \_\_\_\_\_ or \*MAL

\*Local President \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the **\*person nominating the candidate:** \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Region \_\_\_\_\_ Local \_\_\_\_\_ or MAL

\*Local President \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please include the 250–500-word typewritten essay with this application. Please include the candidate's last name in the header portion of the essay. Submissions will not be returned.

**\*If the person nominating or the nominated candidate is a Member at Large (MAL) list the BPW/Ohio President in that section.**