

The National Council of Catholic Women acts through its members to support, empower and educate all Catholic women in spirituality, leadership and service. NCCW programs respond with gospel values to the needs of the Church and society in the modern world.

The East DuPage Deanery speaks for local Catholic women today, inspires its affiliates through prayer and action; follows Gospel values in stimulating social action and services, encourages Catholic women to become local leaders in the Church and community, offers a forum for Catholic women to speak and act on matters of mutual interest, provides information and education on Catholic concerns through its bi-monthly newsletter the *Significa*, and organizes two gatherings a year in which all women in Parish CCWs can meet together to expand their understand of Church and Council issues, and discuss common concerns, and service and program ideas.