



Empowering Women.  
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2020

# ANNUAL REPORT

Fund updates, grants, message  
from the President & more.

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**Karen Monfre**  
President,  
Women's Fund  
Greater Green  
Bay



Karen Monfre

## **PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

Dear Women's Fund Community,

As many recall the challenges 2020 created, I hope this year will be equally remembered for the intuitive response of our frontline workers and the renewed sense of gratitude for our local nonprofits as the community united to help those in need. As the newly appointed President, I am grateful for outgoing President Kate Hogan's leadership during this time.

July 1, 2019, the beginning of our fiscal year, started much like the years before. The 15th annual Power of the Purse was a success and we had just

granted a little over \$51,000 in the bi-annual summer grant cycle followed by more than \$61,000 in our winter grant cycle for a total of \$112,165! During this time, our endowment fund grew to more than \$3 million.

When the COVID-19 pandemic reached Northeastern Wisconsin, we saw our community needs grow tremendously. The Women's Fund Emeritus responded by raising a matching grant challenge to the Women's Fund community. Through this initiative we raised more than \$85,000 in emergency relief funds, which were distributed



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by the Greater Green Bay Community Foundation to local nonprofits. I could not be prouder and more humbled by the support of our donors to women and families in need. For the fiscal year, the Women's Fund of Greater Green Bay provided approximately \$200,000 in support to the community, a figure we can all be proud of!

A complete list of grantees is included in this program and includes critical support funding for child care for low income mothers attending Northeast Wisconsin Technical College; sex trafficking training for CASA youth and advocates; group support for women experiencing homelessness and trauma; on-site parenting education and training, mother/daughter enrichment courses; to name just a few. The initiative I'm perhaps most excited for, is an award to Golden House for Coaching Boys into Men and Athletes as Leaders. This evidence-based programming strives to help young student athletes prevent victimization and encourage healthy relationships. This is our first grant to an organization supporting boys, and follows on the heels of a policy change last year to expand recipient criteria to include grants to boys that benefits women and girls.

None of this would be possible without your support. Thank you for sharing our passion of Empowering Women and Inspiring Girls. You are, we are, the Women's Fund!

*Kare*



## Women's Fund

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & ADVISORY BOARD

The following individuals  
generously volunteered hundreds  
of hours in fiscal year 2020.  
(July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020)

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## Women's Fund

# GRANT MAKING

The Women's Fund endowment provides grants to nonprofit organizations offering programs and services to improve the lives of local women and girls.

Great strides have been made since the Fund's inception in 1995.



**TOTAL  
ENDOWMENT:**

**\$2.9  
million\***



**FISCAL YEAR  
2020:**

**18 Programs  
+  
\$133,358  
Granted**



**GRANTED  
SINCE 1995:**

**\$1,151,548**

*\*Fund balance as of June 30, 2020 including investment performance.*

# 2020 GRANT RECIPIENTS

The following grants were awarded between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.

Women's Fund grants are awarded twice each year to nonprofit organizations through an application process. A volunteer grants team, which includes Women's Fund advisory board members and community representatives, reviews the applications and makes recommendations for awards to the Women's Fund advisory board and the Greater Green Bay Community Foundation board of directors. Grant guidelines and deadlines can be found on the Women's Fund website: [womensfundgb.org](http://womensfundgb.org). To discuss your grant idea, please call the Greater Green Bay Community Foundation at 920-432-0800.

## GRANT RECIPIENTS: SUMMER, 2019

### **Boys & Girls Club of Greater Green Bay, Girls on the Run**

Over a 10-week session, girls ages 9-13 join positive adult female mentors in biweekly after-school group run/walks infused with lessons from the international Girls on the Run curriculum. Over the course of the program, girls increase their physical endurance as they develop self-confidence and important life skills, leading up to participation in an organized 5K run.

### **CASA of Brown County, Sex Trafficking Training for CASA Youth & Advocates**

CASA of Brown County hosts an evening of discussion and training on human trafficking for participants and advocates in the Fostering Futures program, a program that provides youth ages 12 to 18 with the tools to assist them in transitioning to independence and realizing their full potential.



### **Foundations Health & Wholeness, Group Support for Women Experiencing Homelessness & Trauma**

Foundations partners with homeless shelters to provide mental health counseling to address mental illness as a root cause of homelessness. The group addresses mental wellness, trauma, and alcohol and other drug addiction.

### **Golden House, Prevention Education**

To help young adults prevent victimization in their intimate partner relationships, Golden House provides evidence-based and innovative relationship-building programming. The Prevention Coordinator helps youth and community partners understand the dynamics of abusive relationships and gain skills that encourage healthy relationships.

### **Greater Green Bay YMCA, Girls in Non-Traditional Careers**

The Green Bay YMCA has after-school programs at seven sites in partnership with Green Bay Area Public Schools. Funds provide programming for fourth- and fifth-grade girls, offering them exposure to nontraditional careers with an emphasis on careers in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) fields.

### **Green Bay Area Public Schools, Personal Care Worker Certification Course**

Funding offers 25 women who have not obtained a high school diploma or GED with the opportunity to participate in a Personal Care Worker Certification course through Northeast Wisconsin Technical College.

### **House of Hope Green Bay, Transportation Barrier Removal for Pregnant and Parenting Homeless Youth**

House of Hope works with clients to overcome transportation barriers by providing: bus passes, assistance obtaining identification documentation and driver licenses, and access to safe car seats for transporting children. Funding also provides House of Hope a van to transport clients to appointments.

### **Northeast Wisconsin Technical College Educational Foundation, Destination Graduation**

Destination Graduation is a pilot program focused on inspiring low-income women to uncover their career passion and achieve a college degree to obtain a family-sustaining career that leads to economic stability. This project targets low-income (unemployed/ underemployed) women who have some college experience but no degree.

### **Reset Life, RESET.LIFE 2019**

Funding supports life coaching and career coaching workshops, providing comprehensive support to women facing a life or career transition. Reset Life offers women a safe place to discuss the problems that are unique to women among others who can relate, empathize, and provide valuable help.

### **GRANT RECIPIENTS: WINTER, 2020**

#### **Brown County Health & Human Services, Parent Pals**

Grant funds support learning opportunities that will help individuals gain life skills and feel empowered, increase recruitment efforts for volunteers in an effort to grow the program and offer relevant training opportunities to volunteers and staff to increase their knowledge and confidence in working with families in the program.

#### **Evergreen Productions, Inc., Girls in Technical Theater**

Grant dollars support a new program that introduces girls (ages 12 to 17) to careers in technical theatre.

### **Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin, Women's Recovery Journey**

The Women's Recovery Journey empowers women recovering from alcohol and other drug addictions to better care for themselves and their families. Taking part in this intensive recovery program requires regular attendance, including group meetings three times a week and individual therapy once a week, as well as reliable transportation, which is difficult for many women in recovery to find. This program eliminates barriers by providing participants with bus passes, taxi vouchers, and gas-only gift cards.

### **Girls on the Run Northeast Wisconsin, Spring Pilot Program**

The mission of this program is to inspire girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum that creatively integrates running. Funding supports the first spring program, in partnership with the Salvation Army Kroc Center in Green Bay, piloting Girls on the Run with grades 3-5 in Brown County.

*(Winter grant recipients continued on next page.)*



**To learn more, visit [What We Fund](http://WhatWeFund.org)  
at [womensfundgb.org](http://womensfundgb.org).**

### **Golden House, Prevention Education: Coaching Boys Into Men & Athletes As Leaders**

Expanding evidence-based prevention programming to help young student athletes prevent victimization in their intimate partner relationships is the goal of this grant. Golden House's Prevention Coordinator and Youth Advocate staff help male youth and community partners understand the dynamics of abusive relationships and gain skills that encourage healthy relationships.

### **GreatHER Together**

2020 marks our **sixth** year of granting to the GreatHER Together program, a collaboration of the Boys and Girls Club of Green Bay, the Girls Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes, and the Green Bay Area Public Schools. This pilot program is infusing girls' lives with an immediate impact on their future in groundbreaking ways.

### **Green Bay Area Public Schools, Mother-Daughter Enrichment Classes**

The grant supports mother-daughter enrichment courses at five schools with "community spaces," Eisenhower, Danz, Nicolet, Baird, and East High. These locations allow expansion of community enrichment courses to include families who cannot travel to other schools and cannot afford the \$20 fee per course. Each site will host two enrichment courses for mother-daughter duos.

### **House of Hope, Expanded Parenting Education Programming**

Early brain development in children and success later in life can be heavily influenced by positive parenting skills, caregivers, high-quality childcare, and the safety and stability of a child's environment. Funding provides clients access to expanded on-site parenting education, staff training, and assistance with obtaining and maintaining high-quality, affordable childcare.

### **St. John the Evangelist Homeless Shelter, Wellspring**

Wellspring is a daytime resource center for women. Grant dollars support increased programming and guest-led initiatives such as Project LEAD, which includes development of a guest intern program, guest advisory team and guest-led workshops to empower and promote leadership development for women.

### **Wise Women Gathering Place, Inc., Healthy Relationships, Healthy Decision Making**

Grant dollars provide two healthy relationship classes for youth. Participants learn about self-discovery and relationships in any part of life by learning how to set and achieve personal goals, make healthy decisions, sort our life's chaos, good communication skills, and more. It's estimated that 32 youth will be served by this program.

## DONATIONS

The Women's Fund of Greater Green Bay, a fund of the Greater Green Bay Community Foundation, has grown to more than **\$3 million** because of generous donors at all giving levels. A donation to the fund has impressive outcomes for future generations of local women and girls.

### WAYS YOU CAN SUPPORT THE WOMEN'S FUND:

#### Give a Gift Now

The Greater Green Bay Community Foundation accepts cash, checks, and credit cards on behalf of the Women's Fund of Greater Green Bay. Online donations are accepted at [womensfundgb.org](http://womensfundgb.org).

#### Create a Legacy: Named Funds

You can establish a legacy named fund with a contribution or pledge of at least \$10,000 to the endowment. Consider a gift of stocks, bonds, insurance policies, or real estate to establish a named fund. Legacy gifts also include funds created posthumously as part of your estate plan. Family members or friends can always make contributions directly to any named fund.

*For more information on our gift acceptance policy, please contact the Greater Green Bay Community Foundation at 920-432-0800.*



### Legacy Named Funds of the Women's Fund of Greater Green Bay

Associated Bank Women of Legacy Fund

Balison Family Fund for Women & Girls

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## FISCAL YEAR 2020 CONTRIBUTIONS:

Thank you to the more than 350 individuals, families, businesses, and organizations who contributed to the Women's Fund. Those listed provided a donation to the Women's Fund between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.

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156 donors gave up to \$99.

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## EMERGENCY RESPONSE FUND

Thank you to the generous donors who supported the Women's Fund efforts to the Emergency Response Fund of the Greater Green Bay Community Foundation. Together, we raised over \$85,000 for this important cause. Your gifts made an immediate impact by supporting food security, safe shelter, transportation, access to care, and other basic needs through the work of local nonprofits.

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# I AM ... YOU ARE ... WE ARE THE WOMEN'S FUND



## Thank you

The Women's Fund is made possible by Greater Green Bay community members who believe in empowering women and inspiring girls. By contributing to the Women's Fund, you make our community a better place. We thank you for joining us as we financially support local programs.

## Our Purpose

The purpose of the Women's Fund of Greater Green Bay is to lead community philanthropic impact to support issues important to women and girls by sharing knowledge, aligning resources and building strategic partnerships

## How Can You Help?

There is great power in working together. By attending our events, you are raising dollars for leadership and self-esteem programs for local women and girls. By making a direct donation to the Women's Fund of Greater Green Bay, you will enable more women and girls to reach their fullest potential. However you contribute, you are the Women's Fund.



Empowering Women. Inspiring Girls.