



**By Women, For Women  
October, 2020**

**Mission:** Project W is committed to enhancing and improving the quality of life for women in Delaware County, through collective giving, by women.

**Who we are:** Project W is a women's Giving Circle that harnesses the power of collective giving to address the needs of women, right here in Delaware County. If you join, YOUR impact will be immediate! YOU will help to award one high impact grant and two smaller grants to charitable organizations in 2021.

**Focus Areas:** One grant will be awarded in each of the following focus areas: (1) Health (2) Education (3) Family.

**Why join?** Through collective giving, women can have a significant impact in Delaware County by pooling our resources and recognizing organizations that make a difference for women in our community. In the process, YOU will be in the fellowship of other community-minded women and learn more about the many organizations that enrich and improve our daily lives. YOU may further personalize your involvement by joining a grant committee or other group effort. The level of participation is up to you. THIS IS YOUR GIVING CIRCLE!

**Annual Membership:** Each member has the opportunity to participate in grant review committees, and has one vote in the final determination of grant recipient(s) in 2021. Choose from three membership options:

1. Single membership: One woman, one membership
2. Gift membership: Gifts a membership to another woman
3. Group membership: Group of women sharing one membership. (Each woman may participate individually in a grant review committee, but the group shares a single vote at the annual meeting.)

The cost of membership is \$550 per year, with \$500 being distributed to grantees and \$50 dedicated to administrative costs. All contributions are tax deductible and will be restricted to the Project W fund. In our first two years, Project W awarded \$83,500 to six organizations. The amount of grant awards in 2021 will be determined by the number of memberships. The deadline for joining as a member of the 2021 grant-making cycle is January 15, 2021.

**Management:** The Project W Fund is fiscally sponsored by The Community's Foundation (TCF), a 501(c)(3) organization based in Delaware County, and overseen by the Project W Board of Advisors. Please visit [www.TCFhelps.org](http://www.TCFhelps.org) for more information.

**Grant Selection:** Grant committees review applications and select one finalist from each Focus Area. Voting takes place at the Annual Meeting. Each finalist organization will make a brief presentation of their grant proposal. All members are encouraged to attend – if unable to attend, each member can submit her ballot in advance to TCF. Each member, or the representative of a group membership, will submit one ballot that will order her preferences. Determined by rank voting, the organization with the majority support will be the winner of the high impact grant. The two remaining organizations will receive grants of smaller value.

**Have more questions?** Visit [www.ProjW.org](http://www.ProjW.org), contact us at [ProjectW@TCFhelps.org](mailto:ProjectW@TCFhelps.org), or call TCF at 610-461-6571.

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