

## **Women and Girls Fund of Waukesha County awards \$128,650 in grants**

WAUKESHA (April 29, 2020) – The Women and Girls Fund of Waukesha County has awarded \$128,650 to 10 area non-profit organizations to support programs that promote the health, well-being, education and empowerment of women and girls of all ages.

Grants for 2020 were awarded to:

- Alverno College: \$1,000 to send 20 high school girls and four adult chaperones from Waukesha County to the 2021 daylong Wisconsin Girls Summit.
- Association for the Rights of Citizens with handicaps: \$15,000 to support I Can Do It (You Can Do It), which helps disabled women and girls increase physical activity and healthy eating behaviors through an eight-week course with community volunteers as mentors.
- Concordia University Wisconsin: \$7,500 for the African American Female Initiative, which teaches at-risk high school girls leadership skills and ways to increase self-confidence.
- Family Service of Waukesha County: \$15,000 to support the CARE Center, which helps reduce the trauma of child abuse and neglect by providing a timely, comprehensive and multidisciplinary response to allegations of child abuse.
- Froedtert Menomonee Falls Hospital Foundation: \$7,000 for the New Moms Recovery Program, an outpatient program for mothers whose babies were exposed to addictive opiate drugs before birth.
- La Casa de Esperanza: \$7,150 to send 11 teachers to the Mathematics Institute of Wisconsin to learn more effective ways to teach math. The MIW will help meet the needs of students who are simultaneously learning mathematics and English.
- Lotus Legal Clinic: \$15,000 to help provide free legal services to those who are victims of sexual assault, abuse or labor or sex trafficking.
- Parents Place: \$15,000 to support a collaborative program with Waukesha County Technical College to teach parenting skills to incarcerated mothers.

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- The Women's Center: \$6,000 to support a new program designed to provide a safe space, opportunities for connection, and wellness and healing activities to empower teen girls who are survivors of sexual or dating violence.

- Waukesha County Community Dental Clinic: \$15,000 to improve the oral health of low-income women and girls in Waukesha County who would not otherwise have access to dental care.

The Women and Girls Fund, established in 2004, seeks to aid and enrich the lives of women and girls in our community by providing financial grants that enable opportunities otherwise unavailable to them.