

The Women's Fund of Hancock County highlights the 2019 Grantee:

Women's Resource Center

Following a season of transition, the Women's Resource Center of Hancock County (WRC) is moving forward with re-energized vision and leadership. The mission remains the same - to provide guidance, mentoring and connection to programs and services that help women and their families achieve economic self-sufficiency - but efforts to build stronger community connections and focus on sustainability are taking the organization's work to the next level.

Since 2014, women could call the WRC for guidance and assistance with needs like employment, insurance forms, financial assistance, and other basic needs including housing, furniture, food, clothing, and transportation. The staff and board are dedicated to helping each woman who comes to them, whether that involves multiple meetings and several referrals or simply answering one question.

"When a woman is referred to us, we sit down and ask her how we can help her," explains Beth Ingle, interim director. "Once we determine what she needs, we can give her individual guidance and support in developing and working through a personal development plan."



A personal development plan is designed to connect a woman to the resources in the community that address her specific need. The WRC seeks to empower her through education, accountability, and personal growth, and will continue to work with her until she no longer needs its assistance.

The WRC is updating its strategic plan, with the help of Mary Gibble from the Hancock County Community Foundation. The board of directors has finalized strategies for the organization, and each strategy has corresponding goals.

- Strategy 1 - Identify Opportunities to Ensure WRC's Financial Self-Sufficiency & Sustainability
- Strategy 2 - Grow Organizational Capacity of the WRC
- Strategy 3 - Provide Clients with Exceptional, Measurable Service

Currently, Beth has been connecting with local nonprofit agencies and expanding the WRC network to include the Indiana Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Hancock County Probation Department, and Sheriff's Department. In 2019, the WRC is focusing on Empowerment Women Events open to the public that will provide education on barriers women face in Hancock County and what can be done to eliminate them. The WRC will work with other non-profits to share how their programs can help lead women toward self-sufficiency.

Save the Date: Mark your calendars for WRC's 2nd Annual Dancing with the Stars event on May 11 at St. Michael's Catholic School. Doors and dinner open at 6 PM, and the event begins at 6:30 PM.



**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR WRC EVENTS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.
CONSIDER JOINING THE WRC BOARD OF DIRECTORS IF YOU HAVE A PASSION FOR HELPING OTHERS.
CONTACT BETH INGLE AT DIRECTOR@HCWRC.ORG FOR MORE INFO.**

Introducing... The Power of the Philanthropic Purse

The power of the philanthropic purse (POPP) will provide a wonderful time for networking, grantmaking, grant impact, and philanthropic education. For the first time, it will be held on a Saturday morning and will be called **Rise, POPP, and Shine**. A low-cost ticket, only \$20, will help offset the cost of brunch. In keeping with our purse theme, you will have a chance to win a designer purse as a door prize, but rather than donate a purse or purchase a purse, we ask that you make a monetary donation in any amount that is meaningful to you. As in the past, those who give gifts of \$1,000 or more will be recognized at the Diamond Society Level. With a gift from your philanthropic purse, the Women's Fund Giving Circle will grow and the economic self-sufficiency of women and families will be greatly improved.

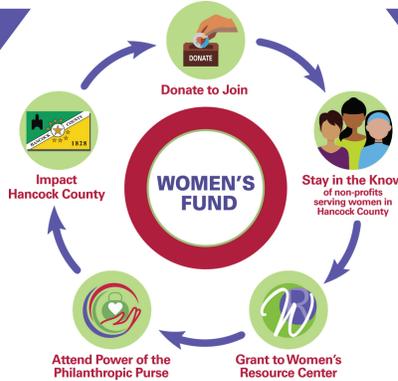


Rise, POPP, and Shine!



A wonderful time for

- Networking
- Grantmaking
- Philanthropy
- Learning



At Rise, POPP, & Shine, we will be granting \$20,278 to the Women's Resource Center of Hancock County.



Save the Date!

Date: August 3, 2019

Time: 9 AM

Location: Bradley Hall
2 W. Main St.
Greenfield, IN 46140

Become a donor of the Women's Fund

Women and girls make an annual financial commitment to the fund in any amount meaningful to them. Each tax-deductible gift is divided equally between the Irene Walrod Curry Endowment to ensure sustainability of our good work and a grantmaking fund for annual distribution. The impact of your contribution is immediate. If, for example, the Women's Fund receives \$1,000 in combined donations, \$500 is available for grantmaking and \$500 will be placed in the endowment fund, allowing you to help create a legacy of solutions!



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