

Dear Friends of the Women's Fund:

The Women's Fund is proud of its accomplishments this past year. By awarding grants to organizations using innovative approaches to improve the lives of women and girls in the Fox Valley, we not only improve the lives of women, but their families and our entire community as well.

We also completed a thoughtful process of streamlining our governance process. These changes have transformed how the board guides the organization, allowing us to continually focus on our mission and offer the greatest potential for lasting impact. The increased organizational efficiency sets the stage for even more exciting projects to make a difference for all people in the Fox Valley by investing in women and girls.

We look forward to leveraging our resources and organizational strength through partnerships with our supporters and grantees in the years ahead. Together we truly can make a difference.

Thank you for your support and belief in the potential of all women and girls.



Beth Flaherty  
President, Board of Directors

## Grantee Partners

In 2008 the Women's Fund awarded \$33,636 to the following agencies and programs through our competitive grants process.

**Best Friends of Neenah-Menasha, *Helping Hand Program*** - \$2,633: Provides children's scholarships for enrichment activities such as sports or music lessons.

**Boys' & Girls' Brigade Association, Inc., *Sixth Grade Girls' Program*** - \$500: Offers the first step in a seven-year character building and leadership training program for girls.

**CAP Services, Inc., *Skills Enhancement Program, Fox Cities*** - \$1,500: Helps participants achieve true, permanent self-sufficiency through employment, and long-term education and skills training.

**CHAPS Academy, *HOPE Lives! Adolescent Suicide Prevention and Intervention*** - \$2,500: Provides developmentally appropriate, equine-assisted suicide prevention and intervention for adolescents.

**Christine Ann Domestic Abuse Services, Inc., *Project POWER*** - \$1,500: Enables women who are victims of domestic violence to overcome barriers and obtain or maintain employment that will help them become self-sufficient.

**Fox Cities Community Health Center, *No Woman Left Behind*** - \$1,000: Insures all women seeking care at Fox Cities Community Health Center access to recommended female preventive health services.

**Fox Valley Symphony Orchestra Association, Inc., *Partners in Education*** - \$500: Expands an existing program to engage students in classical music and art at an early age by adding a dance component.

**Fox Valley Technical College Foundation, *Wo/Men's Educational Bureau*** - \$1,500: Helps Fox Valley women gain access to education and develop important job skills.

**Girl Scouts of the Fox River Area, Inc., *Girl Programming (Non-School Days)*** - \$1,000: Invites girls in grades K-6 to spend a non-school day doing art, science, and nature projects; learning money management skills; and making informed decisions about their health.

**Harbor House Domestic Abuse Programs, *Elementary School Prevention Education Performance & Girls Circle Pilot Project*** - \$7,000: Educates local elementary students about bullying and positive relationships and provides small group support for girls age 9-14.

**LEAVEN, *Home Sweet Home*** - \$3,000: Assists women in transition from local domestic abuse or homeless shelters to independent housing.

**Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin, *Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Project for Latina Women*** - \$3,000: Provides low-income Latina women with preventive health care services.

**Sexual Assault Crisis Center, *Empowering Women through Knowledge*** - \$1,378: Provides for printing of educational materials to be distributed to local health care professionals.

**The Arc Fox Cities, *Healthy Lifestyles Education Program*** - \$2,125: Educates participants with developmental disabilities about healthy relationships to prevent them from becoming victims of sexual assault.

**Valley Academy for the Arts, Inc., *Scholarship Fund for Underprivileged Children*** - \$500: Provides girls from low-income families with scholarships in dance and the arts.

**Wisconsin Interfaith Needs Response, *WINR Assistance Fund*** - \$4,000: Provides low-income women with a safe, dependable vehicle to get to work or school.

We gratefully acknowledge  
Great Northern Corporation and  
Kimberly-Clark Corporation for adding  
collaborating funds to our granting pool.

## Highlights of our past year:

- Celebrated the power of women at our 7th Annual Event Luncheon: *Heading for the Future*
- Awarded over \$33,000 in grants through our competitive grants process bringing our total grants to \$242,100 since 1997.
- Held a community-wide education and awareness event: *Let's Dish - Women Connect* to inform local women about issues facing women and girls in the Fox Valley and beyond.
- Announced our first social change initiatives: Financial Fluency and Violence Prevention Education
- Unveiled our updated website - [www.womensfundfvr.org](http://www.womensfundfvr.org)

### Board of Directors 2007-2008

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### Women's Fund Statement of Financial Position June 30, 2008

<b>ASSETS</b>	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 133,141
Contributions receivable	56,998
Investments	1,116,388
Property and Equipment, net	4,825
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$1,311,352</b>

<b>LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS</b>	
Other liabilities	\$33,743
Total liabilities	33,743
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	
Unrestricted	\$1,220,611
Temporarily restricted	56,998
Total net assets	\$1,277,609

**Total Liabilities and Net Assets \$1,311,352**

### Women's Fund Statement of Activities For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

<b>SUPPORT AND REVENUE</b>	
Contributions	\$264,009
Gain (loss) on investments	(77,300)
Investment income	38,946
<b>Total Support and Revenue</b>	<b>\$225,655</b>

<b>GRANTS AND EXPENSES</b>	
Grants and transfers	\$40,970
Program related expenses	45,656
Management and General:	
Investment manager fees	6,231
Administrative expenses	91,061
Fundraising expenses	62,120

**Total Grants and Expenses \$246,038**

Change in net assets \$(20,383)

**NET ASSETS**  
Beginning of year \$1,297,992

**End of Year \$1,277,609**

This is a summarized financial statement presentation. The Women's Fund for the Fox Valley Regions, Inc. is a Supporting Organization of the Community Foundation for the Fox Valley Region, Inc. A complete audited financial statement of the Community Foundation and Supporting Organizations is available upon request.

Auditors: Schenck Business Solutions

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for the fox valley region, inc.

## Annual Report 2007 - 2008

**"No matter where you are or how you feel, people love and care about you."**

- A participant in CHAPS Academy's Teen Awareness Girls' Group

**"Thanks to the POWER Program for changing my life for the best. It gave me a strong foundation for happiness and independence."**

- Project POWER program participant

The Women's Fund for the Fox Valley Region invests in women and girls through:

- Grants
- Advocacy
- Education

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