

# WOMEN'S fund

for the fox valley region, inc.

## CHARITABLE FUNDS

When you establish a charitable fund within the Women's Fund, your gift can address everchanging community needs. The Women's Fund program experts will help you determine which type of fund best matches your charitable intentions to respond to the community's most pressing needs, today and tomorrow. You may start any fund with an initial contribution of \$1,000 and plans to grow the fund to at least \$10,000 (\$25,000 for scholarship funds). Once the fund reaches that level, grants can be made to support organizations and projects that serve women and girls.

**DONOR ADVISED FUNDS** – You can have on-going involvement in the use of your gift. You work with our professional program staff, identifying ways to use dollars from the fund you establish to address the women's issues you care about most. Your recommendations are submitted to our local board for approval; we then distribute the grant dollars.

**DESIGNATED FUNDS** – You can direct your gift to a specific nonprofit organization or purpose. Help provide ongoing funding for any organization that supports women and girls, including the Women's Fund.

**SCHOLARSHIPS** – You can invest your gift in our community's future and show female students you care, all with the guidance and professional services of the Women's Fund. You determine the criteria students must meet to receive the scholarship you establish.

**FIELD OF INTEREST FUNDS** – You can support a specific issue important to women and girls and even encourage others to join you. Grant recommendations are submitted to our local board for approval; we then distribute the grant dollars.

**UNRESTRICTED FUNDS** – You can allow our staff, grants committee volunteers and board of directors to respond to compelling needs for women and girls now and in the future.

**YOUNG PHILANTHROPIST FUNDS** – You can start a fund to teach a young person about philanthropy in a hands-on way. When the fund reaches \$10,000, the young honoree, with an adult's assistance, makes recommendations for awarding grants. Half of the available grant money is applied to the Women's Fund grantmaking; the other half can be used for any charitable purpose the young person chooses.

## ESTABLISH A FUND IN YOUR NAME

Any of these funds can be established in your name, or the name of your family, your organization or anyone you wish to honor. All grants distributed from the fund you establish – today and in the future – are then awarded to charities in the name of that fund. It's a great way to always be involved with, and remembered for, your community investment in women and girls.

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