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Women's Giving Alliance

Our members pool their gifts and have made more than \$7 million in grants to benefit women and girls since our inception in 2001.

Our Mission

Inspiring women to be strategic philanthropists and investing in the lives of women and girls in Northeast Florida.

WGA's Grantmaking

Women's Giving Alliance awards grants to organizations that serve women and girls in Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau, Putnam and St. Johns Counties. WGA makes strategic, research-based grants that facilitate systemic change to improve how women and girls are served in Northeast Florida. We apply creative solutions to critical needs, focus on equitable grantmaking, and produce measurable impact on the lives of women and girls. Our current focus is Breaking the Cycle of Female Poverty: Intervention and Prevention.

The Annual Membership Contribution

Is a tax-deductible contribution of \$1,500. Of that amount, \$1,000 goes directly to grants, \$200 helps defray overhead and expenses, and \$300 is added to endowment. Women also have the option of making a one-time Legacy gift of \$25,000 or more (payable over five years) to endow a WGA membership in perpetuity.

An Initiative of The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida

WGA benefits from The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida's more than 50 years of experience and financial stewardship.

For more information, visit the website www.wganefl.org, call (904) 356-4483, or visit us on Facebook at [facebook.com/womensgivingalliance](https://www.facebook.com/womensgivingalliance)

How It Works

Collective Giving

Individual women pool their gifts



Member-driven grants decision process



Grants awarded to agencies benefiting women & girls in Northeast Florida

2020-2022 Grants

Barnabas Center, Inc.: Hope Builders for Women 2.0

\$60,000 (Nassau County)

Barnabas Center provides comprehensive services to address the complex needs of women living in poverty. Expanding upon a previous WGA grant, Hope Builders for Women 2.0 will offer individualized life skills training such as career and education planning, health and wellness coaching, and financial literacy. The program will also provide direct financial assistance for housing, transportation and childcare, as well as a savings match program of up to \$1,000 for each woman in the program.

BEAM (Beaches Emergency Assistance Ministry): Single Parent Program

\$80,000 (Duval and St. Johns County)

BEAM's Single Parent Program began in 2014 with a previous grant from WGA. This 3-year program helps women find a path to economic stability and includes intensive case management, financial literacy training, career support, and access to mental health services. Women in the program achieve a variety of career and financial goals including completing higher education degrees, increasing net income and savings, reducing debt and becoming first time homeowners. This grant from WGA will support 60 new women on their path to economic stability.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Nassau County: SMART Girls Initiative

\$46,000 (Nassau County)

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Nassau County is an outcome-driven youth development organization, providing exceptional afterschool programs and services. This grant from WGA will fund the implementation of their SMART Girls curriculum which provides age and gender

specific programming for girls aged 11-18. This comprehensive curriculum focuses on academic achievement, healthy choices, and career readiness and incorporates both adult mentorship and peer support to create a safe supportive environment for learning.

Delta Research and Educational Foundation: Dr. Betty Shabazz Academy/Growing and Empowering Myself Successfully (BSA/GEMS)

\$10,000 (Duval County)

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is an international organization comprised of college-educated women who provide scholarship and service to underserved and underprivileged individuals in our communities. This grant will fund programs that will engage 200 African American girls, aged 11-18, in activities that promote their interest and motivation to complete college or obtain a vocation and become more fiscally responsible. In addition to monthly trainings in financial wellness, the program will include career evaluations and field trips to a local college, a CPA, and the Federal Reserve.

Girl Scouts of Gateway Council: Community Development Troops

\$100,000 (Duval, St. Johns, & Clay Counties)

Community Development Troops bring traditional Girl Scouting to low-income, high crime communities that desperately need safe, positive youth development programs. The curriculum focuses on life skills including financial literacy and includes a variety of field trips, community service projects, camping experiences, and leadership opportunities. This grant from WGA will help provide programming for approximately 1200 at-risk girls in our community.

MaliVai Washington Kids Foundation, Inc.: Girl Power!

\$100,000 (Duval County)

The MaliVai Washington Youth Foundation provides afterschool and summer development programs for youth in our community. This grant from WGA will fund the implementation of the Overcoming Obstacles Curriculum. This curriculum will provide classes for middle and high school girls focused on subjects such as goal setting, problem solving, conflict resolution, and financial literacy. Additional services will include academic support, mentoring, and access to mental health services.

Rethreaded Inc.: Survivor Development Program

\$110,000 (All Northeast Florida Counties)

Rethreaded works directly with survivors of human trafficking to provide mental health services, long-term career training, and employment. Employees work at Rethreaded an average of two to five years while they rebuild their lives, gain marketable job skills, and build their resumes. The Survivor Development Program provides each woman with access to trauma-specific counseling, weekly life skills classes, and other career development opportunities. This grant from WGA will allow Rethreaded to expand their programming to include the use of a peer support model and individualized case management.

Year Up Jacksonville: Workforce Development Program

\$80,000 (Duval County)

Year Up Jacksonville, in partnership with FSCJ, provides women with professional training for livable wage jobs in high growth sectors. The Workforce Development Program includes six-months of classroom-based and professional training in Information Technology and Sales/Customer Support. Following this training, women then earn a six-month internship with

one of the agencies corporate partners. This experience allows women to immediately apply and enhance their skills, preparing them for professional careers. The program also provides wraparound support, including weekly stipends, access to professional clothing, mentorships and assistance with childcare, housing, healthcare, and other challenges. This grant from WGA will provide training and support for approximately 160 women.

In addition to the grants above, the Women's Giving Alliance was able to make a \$9,000 grant to **Feeding Northeast Florida** in direct response to the COVID-19 pandemic. WGA's grant was directed to help provide food to senior homebound women in need.

To learn more about our grantmaking,

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Our Grantmaking Process

Grantee Success Stories

Grants History

Grantmaking Principles

In its grantmaking, WGA:

- Uses community research to develop initiatives
- Focuses on prevention and effective intervention
- Supports new ideas and untested efforts, as well as programs that have demonstrated results and impact
- Establishes expectations for sustainability, significant lasting value and impact
- Applies an equity lens

Recent Grants

WGA has awarded over \$7 million in grants since 2002. Below is a summary of two-year grants made over the prior two grant cycles.

2019-2021 Focus: Breaking the Cycle of Female Poverty

Catholic Charities St. Augustine Regional Office: Project Forward Families

\$120,000 (St. Johns County)

Center for Children's Rights: Hope Pipeline Project \$50,000 (Duval County)

First Coast No More Homeless Pets: Veterinary Technician Education and Employment Program \$78,614 (Duval County)

Gateway Community Services, Inc.: Women in Transition \$100,000 (Duval County)

Helping WIN, Inc.: Grants with Dignity \$45,243 (All Northeast Florida Counties)

St. Gerard Campus: Homeless Maternity Students Residential/Dormitory Program \$40,000 (Duval, St. Johns, & Clay Counties)

Volunteers in Medicine: Women's Health and Wellness Program \$72,092 (Duval County)



2018-2020 Focus: Breaking the Cycle of Female Poverty

Delores Barr Weaver Policy Center: Breaking the Cycle (BTC) \$68,696 (All Counties)

Family Promise of Jacksonville: Back to Work, Back to Home \$50,000 (Duval County)

Girls Inc.: Breaking Cycles of Female Poverty and Welfare Through Mentoring Programs for 4-8th Grade Girls \$100,000 (Duval County)

Her Song: Economic Empowerment Program/EMPath (Economic Mobility Pathways) \$38,210 (primarily Duval)

I. M. Sulzbacher Center for the Homeless and Hubbard House: Step Up To Success \$150,000 (All NEFL Counties)

Jacksonville University: POWER Camp \$16,094 (Duval County)

Jewish Family and Community Services: 360 Wraparound Program \$120,000 (Duval, Nassau, St. Johns Counties)

Looking to Connect with WGA?

Join us at a WGA event! We meet regularly to learn and grow together. All of our events are open to everyone, so feel free to bring a friend.

WGA hosts a number of events throughout the year, including:

- Large semi-annual luncheons in the spring and fall (Member Forum and Annual Meeting)
- Smaller educational events, lectures and panel discussions
- Connector Groups – Informal social events in your neighborhood

Register for all WGA events online at:
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