

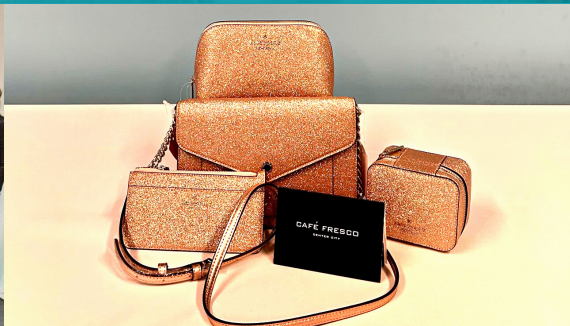


FUND FOR WOMEN & GIRLS

Quarterly Newsletter
September 2023



Get your tickets for our biggest fundraiser of the year - POP!



INSPIRE LEVEL MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

At this year's Power of the Purse, we will be inducting 15 members to the Dream Team with two members, Debra Ryan and Jenny Black, reaching the highest level - Inspire. Learn more about one of these members, Debra Ryan, and why she chose to be a Dream Team member!

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POWER OF THE PURSE

The Fund for Women & Girls Power of the Purse will take place on Friday, October 20 at the West Shore Country Club! Support FWG and shop 'til you drop at our silent auction! Grab your tickets by Monday, October 9 at www.tfec.org/pop.

COCOA, COCKTAILS, & CONVERSATIONS

Save the Date! We want to thank YOU. Join us for cocoa, cocktails, & conversations with Dream Team members, pledges, and Fund grantees on Thursday, December 7 at The Hershey Story. This event is invite only.

Fund for Women & Girls Events



SAVE THE DATE

ANNUAL GRANTEE RECOGNITION BREAKFAST

TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024
WEST SHORE COUNTRY CLUB

04
MONTH

30
DAY

24
YEAR

INSPIRE LEVEL MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: DEBRA RYAN



HELP US SUPPORT LOCAL WOMEN & GIRLS

While the Fund for Women & Girls was established in 2000, The Dream Team was established in 2011 with a goal and purpose of encouraging individuals to make a gift of at least \$1,000 to create a permanent \$1 million endowment. From the endowment, annual grants are made available to local nonprofit organizations that provide services to women and girls in the South Central PA counties of Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lebanon, Perry, and the Dillsburg Area

FWG grants more than \$50,000 each year in grants to help women and girls meet their needs so they can ultimately live their personal and professional dreams. It's in making these dreams a reality through sustained or incremental giving that you become a member of the Dream Team, which connects you to an influential network of fellow donors and community advocates united in the vision of a community where women and girls thrive.

Below are the levels of membership. Learn more at www.tfec.org/fwg.

\$1,000 Dream

\$2,500 Create

\$5,000 Sustain

\$10,000 Inspire

Legacy Society - Name the Fund for Women and Girls in your will or estate plans to leave a lasting legacy for the next generation.

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Inspire Pendant



Debra Ryan, a member of the Dream Team since 2015, joined the Dream Team driven by her deep desire to make a meaningful impact in her local community. Her motivation was strongly influenced by the principles instilled in her by her mother. This year, at the upcoming Power of the Purse event, Debra will be honored as an Inspire Member, the highest recognition a donor can reach within the Dream Team.

Born and raised in Harrisburg, Debra discovered The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC) and learned about TFEC's initiative, The Fund for Women & Girls. It was an immediate connection for Debra, resonating with the values of gender equality her mother had imparted to her.

"One of the reasons I became involved was my mother's influence," Debra said.

Debra shared an incident from her mother's high school days when she scored the highest on a scholarship qualifying test. Despite her achievement, her scholarship was awarded to the highest-scoring male, with the reasoning that he would pursue education while she was expected to marry and settle down. This inequality fueled Debra's commitment to supporting women and girls.

While reaching the Inspire Level was not the goal Debra set out to achieve, she is humbled by the recognition. "I appreciate the recognition, but there are so many women doing the hands-on, good work," said Debra. "An objective of life is for things to grow, and I think that way about giving. If you want something to grow, you must give your attention and intention."

Debra eagerly anticipates reuniting with Dream Team members at Power of the Purse. Each event leaves her in awe of the diverse array of organizations represented and the camaraderie among the remarkable individuals in attendance.

"The more you go to the events and read about The Fund for Women & Girls, you see all the good that is being accomplished," said Debra. "TFEC and the Fund vet the grantees so you know exactly where your donation is going. Jimmy Carter said, 'I am convinced that discrimination against women and girls is one of the world's most serious, all-pervasive and largely ignored violations of basic human rights.'"

COCOA, COCKTAILS, & CONVERSATIONS

Attention Dream Team members and pledges! Join us for an exclusive, invite-only event on Thursday, December 7 from 6-8 pm at The Hershey Story for cocoa, cocktails, & conversations. We want to thank YOU for contributing to meaningful grants that have a greater impact on nonprofits tackling the issues affecting women and girls. Not a Dream Team member? Become one today for your opportunity to attend! Visit www.tfec.org/dreamteam to start your pledge.

Formal invitations will be sent out the end of October.

