

The  
Women's Giving Circle  
of Frederick County

# 2022

Year in Review



## Our Mission

The Women's Giving Circle of Frederick County provides opportunities for donors to promote and support programs that enable and empower women in challenging situations to improve the quality of their lives and the lives of those for whom they are responsible.

## Letter from the Chair

**2022** was a year of change and growth for the Giving Circle. Change of officers, change in our ability to fully meet in-person, and growth in both our membership and our grant allocation funds. We have emerged from the pandemic years stronger than ever.



The Giving Circle officers operate on a two-year term and on July 1, I was very pleased to begin my term as Chair after the membership voted on the slate at the annual meeting in June. Along with Vice-Chair, Betsy Pakenas, returning Financial Chair, Elizabeth DeRose, and a top-notch set of committee chairs, I am excited to continue our work. One thing that has not changed, is our mission of helping women to achieve financial stability, independence, and quality of life by addressing the obstacles that keep them from reaching their fullest potential. We remain true and fully committed to the principles upon which we were founded in 2006.

With our growing community of engaged, generous members, and a strong finish to our year-end appeal, we are starting 2023 fully prepared to allocate the largest grant fund in our history. The impact we can have through the power of collective giving is truly gratifying.

Please take a moment to read more about our progress in 2022. We are thankful to have you join us on this journey.

## Leadership Circle

- Bonnie Swanson**, Chair
- Betsy Pakenas**, Vice-Chair
- Elizabeth DeRose**, Finance Chair
- Linda Roth**, Past Chair
- Karlys Kline**, Chair Emerita
- Angela Chase**, Membership Chair
- Mimi McLaughlin**, Grants Chair
- Brenda Main**, Program Chair
- Harriet Langlois**, Communications Chair
- Carole Heine**, Outreach Chair
- Jan Welty**, Development Chair



# 2022 Grant Program

In the winter of 2022, the grants committee, led by Mimi McLaughlin, was informed that the **2022 grant award pool had been set at \$260,000** by the WGC Leadership Circle in consultation with the Community Foundation of Frederick County. Due to the generosity of our members, this was the **largest grant award fund in the organization's history**.

The careful process of due diligence was carried out by the grants committee, including site visits and meetings with applicant organizations.

The committee received **45 grant proposals totaling \$550,261 in grant requests**. Grant applications were reviewed carefully against the mission of the Giving Circle, ensuring that member contributions are applied to programs that encourage growth and stability of women within our community. It is clear from the amount requested that the needs of women are significant in Frederick County.

At the completion of the review process, the Grants Committee recommended approval of grants to **20 organizations for 28 different programs, totaling \$260,000 in individual grants**. The membership approved these selections in May and celebrated with our grant recipients at the Annual Grant Awards event in June.

## ***Funding priorities included:***

### **Furthering workforce and educational opportunity**

- Workforce development programs
- Direct support (scholarships)
- Transportation and childcare for education and workforce development

### **Furthering economic capacity**

- Homelessness prevention, emergency and transitional housing
- Financial assistance for stable housing next steps
- Transportation
- System navigation for access to income supports
- Financial literacy training

# 2022 Grantees

- **AAVANE** \$8,000 awarded  
Workforce training and placement for women (\$8,000)
- **ADVOCATES FOR HOMELESS FAMILIES** \$8,000 awarded  
Emergency Financial Assistance for Homeless and Low-Income Women and Children (\$4000)  
Transportation and Child Care for Homeless Women (\$4000)
- **CENTRO HISPANO DE FREDRICK** \$15,000 awarded  
“Entre Mujeres” Self-Sufficiency Program for Limited English Proficiency for young mothers (\$15,000)
- **CHILDREN OF INCARCERATED PARENTS PARTNERSHIP** \$14,800 awarded  
Financial literacy education to COIPP women caregivers (\$5,000)  
Scholarships for COIPP female caregivers (\$9,800)
- **EMPOWERED TO LIVE** \$10,000 awarded  
Project GUIDE, 14-wk pre-apprenticeship program (\$10,000)
- **FREDERICK COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION** \$18,000 awarded  
Allied Health Academy at Frederick Community College (\$4,000)  
Project Forward Step (PFS) at Frederick Community College (\$8,000)

Parents Lead Program at Frederick Community College (\$6,000)

- **FREDERICK RESCUE MISSION, INC.** \$15,000 awarded  
Faith House Program Specialist (\$15,000)

- **GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF MONOCACY VALLEY** \$10,000 awarded  
Moving Up employment and workforce development program (\$10,000)

- **HEARTLY HOUSE** \$15,000 awarded  
Survivor homelessness prevention (\$15,000)

- **HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF FREDERICK** \$16,000 awarded  
Women Rising: Addressing Childcare Obstacles (\$8,000)  
Women Rising: Addressing Transportation Obstacles (\$8,000)

- **HOUSING FREDERICK** \$5,000 awarded  
Building economic empowerment (\$5,000)

- **LITERACY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY, INC.** \$16,000 awarded  
Workplace literacy for women in low-wage jobs (\$6,000)

Literacy and life skills programs for women (\$10,000)

- **MISSION OF MERCY, INC.** \$15,550 awarded  
Medical and dental care for women in need (\$15,550)

- **PARTNERS IN CARE MARYLAND, INC.** \$15,800 awarded  
Ride Partners program for vulnerable senior women (\$15,800)

- **SECOND CHANCES GARAGE, INC.** \$17,050 awarded

Empowering women through care ownership (\$8,525)

Empowering women through reduced-cost auto repairs (\$8,525)

- **THE BETTIE JANE CANCER FOUNDATION** \$10,000 awarded  
BJCF Cancer Help (\$10,000)

- **THE RELIGIOUS COALITION** \$18,000 awarded  
Homelessness prevention for women-headed households (\$10,000)  
Emergency shelter and support for homeless women (\$8,000)

- **THE SALVATION ARMY** \$10,000 awarded  
Pathway of Hope (\$10,000) *priorities included*

- **WHOLE HEART GRIEF AND LIFE RESOURCES CENTER** \$10,800 awarded  
Be the Good Community Catalyst Program (\$10,800)

- **WOMAN TO WOMAN MENTORING, INC.** \$12,000 awarded  
ALICE, single mom, and first generation mentee sponsorship (\$12,000)

Since 2007, the Women's Giving Circle has **awarded \$2,404,607** to organizations serving women and their dependents in the Frederick community. Through the generosity of our members and supporters, our annual grant allocations demonstrate continued growth.

# 2022 Financials\*

Despite the downturn in the market in 2022 and the resultant drop in the value of our endowment fund, the Giving Circle has a healthy financial position that will permit continued growth in our grant-making ability in 2023.

## Revenue

Contributions, including sponsorships and events	\$287,620
Reinvestments and Earnings	\$60,729
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$348,349</b>

## Expenses

Operational Expenses	\$16,151
Management Fees	\$19,034
Credit Card Fees	\$3,570
Grant Disbursements	\$260,000
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$298,755</b>

## Net Assets as of 1/1/2022

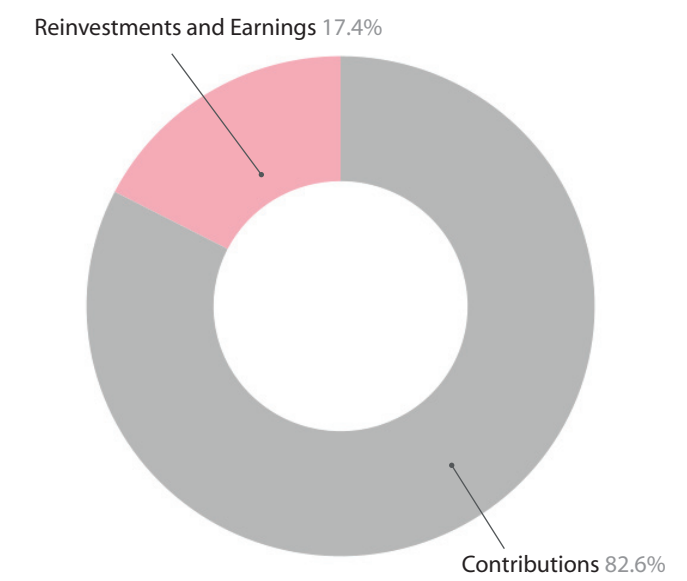
PassThrough	\$232,027
Endowment	\$1,243,585

## Net Assets as of 12/31/2022

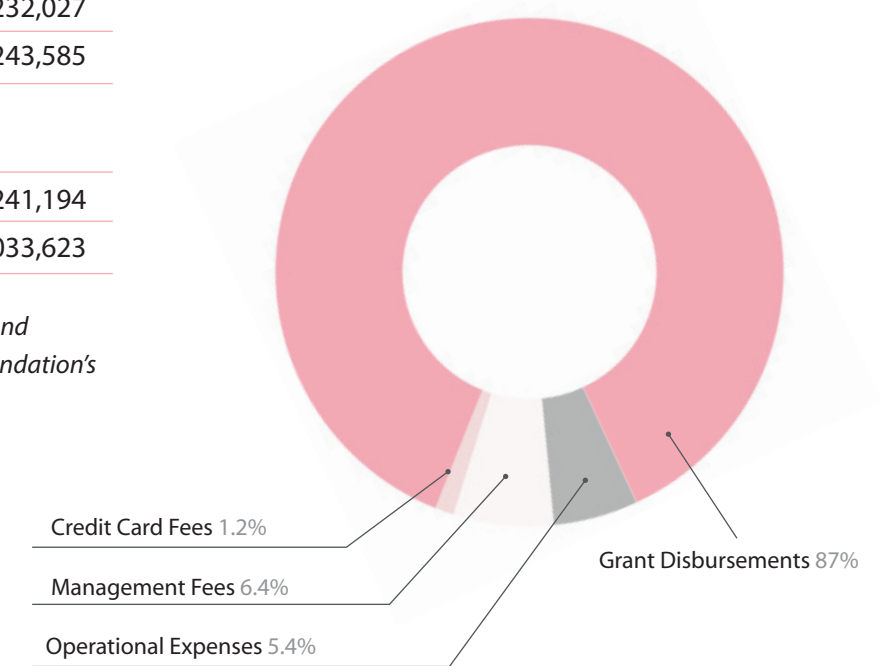
PassThrough	\$241,194
Endowment	\$1,033,623

\* Financials are based on the 2022 calendar year and not the audited financials of the Community Foundation's 7/1 – 6/30 fiscal year

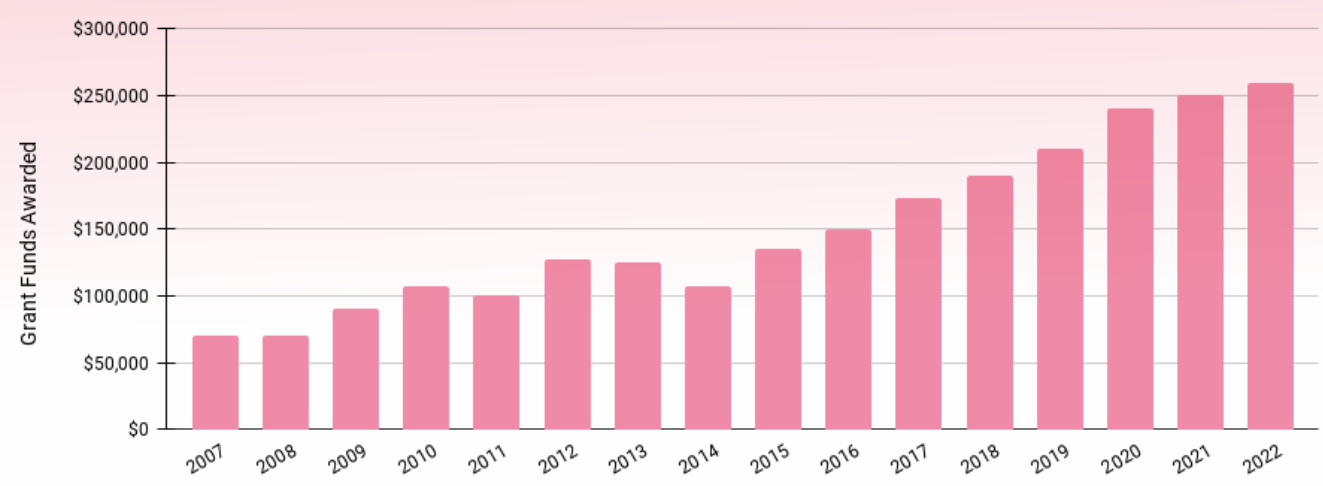
## 2022 WGC Revenue - \$348,349



## 2022 WGC Expenses - \$298,755



## Women's Giving Circle Grant History



## 2022 Programs

The Giving Circle members value our programs as a way to connect with one another and learn more about the challenges faced by women in our community. Our program schedule in 2022 was full of events that brought our members together in both large and small settings.

- March 1, 2022**  
Quarterly Luncheon Meeting
- May 12, 2022**  
Sip and Share Get-together
- June 16, 2022**  
Annual Grant Awards Celebration
- July 13, 2022**  
Sip and Share Get-together

- September 20, 2022**  
Quarterly Luncheon Meeting
- October 12, 2022**  
Sip and Share Get-together
- December 6, 2022**  
Annual Member Holiday Reception

We look forward to another active in-person event schedule in 2023 with both large and small-format events with a diverse schedule that allows for attendance by as many members as possible.



# Fundraising

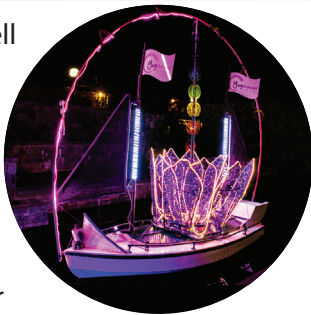
The key to the continued success of the Giving Circle's mission is our ability to raise the funds necessary to support and grow our grants program. With the adoption of new sophisticated tools for donor management, we have had great success in reaching our members and donors through direct mail and electronic appeals in 2022.

We have been fortunate to be supported in our fundraising efforts by other organizations in the community in 2022. The Frederick Steeplechasers Running Club again donated the net proceeds of the Frederick Women's Distance Festival to the Giving Circle. The proceeds in the amount of \$26,585 included donations made by many of the

registered participants as well as a large number of race sponsors in 2022.

A new and exciting fundraiser hit in late 2022 with the launch of Yogamour boat "Seva" as part of the Sailing Through The Winter Solstice event in downtown Frederick. The "Vote for our Boat" campaign was quite successful and we are honored that Yogamour chose the Giving Circle as the charitable beneficiary of their boat.

We are very grateful for every contribution, large or small, from our members, supporters, and organizations in the Frederick community.



# Giving

While the initial pledges associated with membership growth are a strong contributor to continued funding of the WGC grant program, the donations of members who have fulfilled their initial pledges were our biggest source of funding again in 2022. We are very grateful for the generosity of our members.

New Member Pledges	\$80,900
Renewed Pledges	\$3,000
Continued Giving	\$191,041
Memorial Donation	\$10,000
Non-member Donations	\$3,735
Sponsorships	\$14,000

# Membership

as of December 31, 2022

New member recruitment picked up in 2022 as the world came out of the pandemic years and we were able to re-engage with the community. Our membership grew by 23 to 437 members by the end of December, and in 2023 we look forward to accelerated growth to fulfill the mission of the Women's Giving Circle of Frederick County.



## RED DIAMOND \$20,000+

- Ann Adams
- Julane Anderson
- Lisa Ausherman
- Sue Ganley
- Jean Joyce
- Vicki Lee
- Wendy Miller
- Ellen Perkins \*
- Helen Reinsch\*
- Yvonne Reinsch
- Lisa Remsberg
- Shirley Richardson
- Sheila Schaden
- Willia Shriver
- Marlene Young

## PINK DIAMOND \$10,000 - \$19,999

- Cleopatra Anderson\*
- Sue Basford
- Suzanne Beal
- Alexa Bedwell
- Barbara Brookmyer
- Kimberly Chaney
- Angela Chase
- Amy Clapp
- Teresa Cooley
- Gail Davis\*
- Krista Davisson
- Bettie Delaplaine\*
- Janice Deluliis
- Cindi Diamondstone
- Dee Dolan
- Barb Domer
- Nancy Eller
- Helen Esworthy
- Char Frith
- Mimi M. Galanis
- Carolyn Greiner
- Diana A. Grimm
- Joanie Hendrickson
- Carmen Hernandez
- Lois Jarman
- Carolyn Kimberlin
- Karlys Kline

\*Deceased



Susan Korycan  
 Lauren Kremers  
 Sharon Kuebbing  
 Judy Lancaster  
 Harriet Langlois  
 Greg Light  
 Becky Linton  
 Natalie Loudon  
 Brenda Main  
 Rachel Mandel  
 Tracey McPherson  
 Nikki Moberly  
 Shabri Moore  
 Mary Ratchford  
 Anne Reaver  
 Jim Reinsch  
 Sharon Riser  
 Susan Riuli  
 Kristen Rowe  
 Karen Ruehl  
 Robin Sagoskin  
 Jane Saylor  
 Laura Shaff  
 Paulette Shockey  
 Marisa Shockley  
 Mary Steggert  
 Cynthia Terl  
 Maribeth Visco  
 Melanie Williamson  
 Becky Windsor  
 Renae Winnan  
 Adriane Wodey  
 Behnaz Yalda

**DIAMOND** \$5,000 - \$9,999

Debra Acerenza  
 Leigh Adams  
 Cathryn Alschuler  
 Renee Ausherman  
 Victoria Barron  
 Marj Berkheimer  
 Ginny Brace  
 Pat Brand  
 Debbie Brown  
 Pat Brunner  
 Jo Elizabeth Butler  
 Faye Cannon  
 Katie Cantrel  
 Lin Caywood  
 Betsy Cowperthwaite  
 Catherine Cox  
 Margie Craig  
 Elizabeth Cromwell  
 Gabriella Damiano

Betsy Day  
 Peggy Dufour  
 Sooz Edmiston  
 Jeanette Eleff  
 Diane Ferren  
 Donna Gaver  
 Phyllis Goldstein  
 Denise Gouin  
 Helen Gregory  
 Erin Guyton  
 Marcia Hall  
 Patti Hart  
 Carole Heine  
 Kerri Hesley  
 Billie Anne Homberg  
 Patty Hurwitz  
 Paula Jagemann  
 Stephanie Jordan  
 Alyssa Kaszmetskie  
 Gabrielle Keller  
 Karen Keller  
 Alexandra Kelly  
 Monica Kolbay  
 Mary Pat Kulina  
 Kate Kuranda  
 Anne-Marie Laboe  
 Joan Lapera  
 Diane Laughlin  
 Janis Light  
 Julie Littrell  
 Ann Burnside Love  
 Alyce Luck  
 Tom Lynch  
 Lois MacGillivray  
 Nancy Mackintosh  
 Michelle Mahan  
 Nan Mann  
 Diane M. Marsden  
 Angela Mayer  
 Lisa McDonald  
 Margaret McEvoy  
 Karen L. McNitt  
 Mary Fran McShea  
 Miriam Meglan  
 Charlotte Meierhoefer  
 Meg Menke  
 June Mitchell\*  
 Jana Moberly  
 Catherine Mock  
 Kathryn Nicodemus  
 Jeanne O'Connell  
 Jan S. O'Leary  
 Peggy O'Neill  
 Lisa Orr

Nicole Orr  
 Betsy Pakenas  
 Jean Peterson  
 Shawn Pitts  
 Deb Powell  
 Nancy Randall  
 Colleen Rice  
 Jody Rice  
 Nancy Roblin  
 Lonnie Ropp  
 Leesa Ruderman  
 Linda Ryan  
 Shari Scher  
 Kathy Schultze  
 Bev Shelton  
 Cindy Shubin  
 Mary Ann Simmons  
 Jeanne Singer  
 Carole Southam  
 Bonnie Swanson  
 Jane Talarico  
 Stacy Toy  
 Mary Frances Trunk  
 Maria Vershel  
 Madonna Vitarello  
 Deb Voso  
 Juanita Warfield  
 Jan Welty  
 Jan West  
 Olivia White  
 Ann Weigand  
 Karen Lewis Young  
 Celia Zahler

**EMERALD** \$3,001-\$4,999

Terri Almacy  
 Helen Amabile  
 Mary Jo Anderson  
 Marcy Arndt  
 Laila Awar  
 Deborah Bedwell  
 Amy Benton  
 Linda Berkheimer\*  
 Jo Bowersox  
 Cindy Cantrel  
 ML Carroll  
 Gigi Castleman  
 Carol Caywood  
 Arleen Chafitz  
 Charlotte Chaney  
 Susan Chapman  
 Jennifer Charlton  
 Barbara Clary  
 Nancy Cline

Sue Collins  
 Teresa Conto  
 Kate Costlow  
 Kelly Crawmer  
 Whitney Cummins  
 Sandy Dalton  
 Breann Day  
 Kateri Delaplaine  
 Carol DeLaskie  
 Carrie Delente  
 Elizabeth DeRose  
 Kay Diggins  
 Julie Donat  
 Carol Eaton  
 Michelle Emley  
 Catharine Fairley  
 Brigitte Farrell  
 Christine Ferguson  
 Theresa Gardiner  
 Nancy Garrett  
 Karen Grenfell  
 Deb Grove  
 Laura Hall  
 Holly Harrison  
 Tonya Hatosy-Stier  
 Sue Hecht  
 Tracy Hicks  
 Maria Higgins  
 Jan Hill  
 Peggy Hoff  
 Lucy Hogan

Sue Holton  
 Heidi Horine  
 Debra Horton  
 Sue Hough  
 Alice Hoxie  
 Georgeann Jackson  
 Karen Justice  
 Marie Keegin  
 Wilma Kumar-Rubock  
 Truby LaGarde  
 Melissa LeClair  
 Carol Lee  
 Rita Lenda  
 Kim Lenta  
 Michelle Leveque  
 Allison Levitt  
 Connie Martin  
 Dianne Martz  
 Amy-Catherine McEwan  
 Joan McGrath  
 Virginia McLaughlin\*  
 Mary Ellen Mitchell  
 Kathleen Moe  
 Sharen Neale  
 Lucinda Noland  
 Bunny O'Dell  
 Lauren Olson  
 Sandy Olson  
 Terri Perry  
 Kirsten Peterson  
 Carol Phillips

Cary Plamondon  
 Barbara Puig-Carmichael  
 Stacy Reno  
 Peggy Richman  
 Sarah Hurwitz Robey  
 Barbara Roman  
 Lib Rood  
 Robin Rose  
 Linda Roth  
 Judy Russell  
 Theresa Shykind  
 Carolyn Smith  
 Karen Smith  
 Becky Smock  
 Jasmine Sneed  
 Sue Stanczyk  
 Courtney Stauffer  
 Daria Steinhardt  
 Lee Stern  
 Millie Steir  
 Robin Thompson  
 Beth Trout  
 Jessica Underwood  
 Andrea Vaughn  
 Jayne Vona  
 Katharine Warehime  
 Cindy Warfield  
 Cindy Warner  
 Patricia Westgate  
 Nancy Wilson  
 Linda Wingerd

Willie Winkler  
 Tammy Workman

**SAPPHIRE** \$1,000-\$3,000

Marilyn Bagel  
 Fran Baker\*  
 Francina Baldi  
 Pamela Beale  
 Dianna Berkey  
 Barbara Boden\*  
 Sharon Boettinger  
 Valerie Boltz  
 Kathryn Bragg-Stella  
 Damian Branson\*  
 Annette Breiling  
 Barbara Brittain  
 Ena Bromley  
 Donna Brown  
 Lindsay Burdette  
 Linda Burgee  
 Kate Burke  
 Libby Burmaster  
 Kathleen Clem  
 Joanna Coffey  
 Linda Crough  
 Kate Cusato  
 Alma Dade  
 Patsy Davies  
 Kathy Davis  
 Laura Day  
 April Dixon





Dottie Etzler  
 Laurie Fisher  
 Maude Franceschina  
 Julie Gaver  
 Karen Geoffrey  
 Jen Gerlock  
 Natalie Gipson  
 Lettie Golden  
 Ashley Goldsborough  
 Virginia Grams\*  
 Candy Greenway  
 Diana Halleman  
 Susan Harding  
 Marilyn Harrington\*  
 Kari Hassler  
 Stephen Heine  
 Joyce Heptner  
 Kinga Huzella  
 Debi Jamison  
 Jeannine Jennings  
 Ruthie Johnson  
 Sherri Johnson  
 Carolyn Judd  
 Susan Kelley  
 Kathy Kinsey  
 Deidre Krumpotich  
 Rose Labriola  
 Nancy Lake  
 Vivian Laxton  
 Jill Lee  
 Melissa Lentz  
 Sharon Lillard  
 Alissa Locke  
 Marita Loose

Mimi Mack  
 Patti Maluchnik  
 Janney Marshall  
 Joanne McCoy  
 Peg McGreevy  
 Natalie McSherry  
 Stacy Michaels  
 Melina Miller  
 Dorothy Moler  
 Stacey Moler  
 Jane Moore  
 Linda Moran  
 Veralynn Morris  
 Patricia Motter  
 Meta Nash  
 Marylee Newman  
 Nancy Newmister  
 Margaret Nusbaum  
 Erin O'Connor  
 Melissa Oldham  
 Brianna Paugh  
 Caroline Pugh  
 Sara Randall  
 Michelle Rankin  
 Joanie Raymond  
 Mary Louise Riser  
 Pam Robey  
 Lori Rogers  
 Anne Rollins  
 Leslie Ruby  
 Ellie Runion  
 Shirley Sandage\*  
 Kimberly Selby  
 Karen Smith

Sally Smith  
 Susan Hoadley Smith  
 Katie Stauffer  
 Mary Jane Tabler  
 Lori Tauraso\*  
 Nanette Tummers  
 Kirsten Tydings  
 Doris Vona  
 Barbara Windsor  
 Jennifer Winkler  
 Kristine Yaroschuk  
 Karen Yoho  
 Carol Zehnacker\*  
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 Gwen Zimmerman

**JUNIOR \$500**  
 Taylor McFadden  
 Zoe Shykind

### ORGANIZATIONS/COMPANIES

#### Above \$100,000

Frederick Steeplechasers Running Club

#### \$50,000 - \$99,999

William Cross Foundation

#### \$15,000 - \$49,999

David & June Trone Family Foundation

Evening on the Riviera

Frederick Dermatology Associates

Sylvana Institute for Medical Aesthetics

#### \$3,000 - \$14,999

3 Roads Communications

ACNB Bank

Advanced Implants and Periodontics

ALL-SHRED, Inc

CARE: Veterinary Center

Catoctin Charities

Churchill Auto Care  
 Elements Facial Acupuncture  
 First United Bank & Trust  
 Frederick Chiropractic Wellness Center  
 Frederick County Commission for Women  
 Frederick County Public Libraries  
 Frederick Mutual Insurance Company  
 Fundamental Fitness-Wild Woman 8k Run  
 Goodwill Industries of Monocacy Valley  
 InBloom Jewelry  
 Maryland Ensemble Theatre Inc.  
 May's Seafood Restaurant  
 SimpLively: Pamela Plante  
 Sky's the Limit  
 Someone With  
 Thomas Scott Salon & Spa  
 Woman's Business Network of Frederick  
 Woodsboro Bank





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