

## How does the grant process work?

We award yearly Impact Grants to local nonprofits and other organizations for the benefit and well-being of underserved populations.

Our Teams begin by researching community needs in collaboration with colleagues throughout the county.

Once we have determined that a project meets our criteria, we invite the organization to make a formal application.

We encourage the development and implementation of innovative, significant projects and initiatives (see next panel).

The amounts awarded average \$2,250 with an upper limit of \$5,000 per grant.

**For information on all grants awarded to date,** please see our website.



## Sample Impact Grants awarded

**Chehalem Senior Center**  
Instructor training for planned Better Bones and Balance classes

**Yamhill County Health and Human Services**  
Pen Pal Program for approximately 250 Seniors and 250 2nd Graders

**Henderson House**  
ER kits for survivors of violence and comfort kits for children

**Art Conspiracy (West Valley)**  
Support of 24th annual two-week summer arts program for area youth

**Performing Arts of Dayton**  
Portable sound system for use at a variety of performing arts events

**Head Start of Yamhill County**  
Series of Zoom classes for families  
Cooking for All /Cocinando para Todos

**Soroptimist International**  
Clothing vouchers for job-ready women to be used at New to You consignment shop

**A Family Place**  
Purchase of Spanish language parenting materials and curriculum

## How can I join or lend support?

*New members are always welcome!*

### How do I begin?

An easy first step is to visit our website at [99galfriends.org](http://99galfriends.org) to find a list of current GAL Friends, details on membership fees, and further information. You can join immediately by credit card on our website, or you may send a check to the address on the front panel of this brochure.

### May I correspond or speak with someone personally?

Yes, please send an email or call us at 503-857-2964 and leave a message. We'll get back to you promptly, and we look forward to connecting with you.

### New Option:

We are inviting women-owned businesses, women's professional associations, and women-focused nonprofits to become members. Please contact us.

Note: We are also very grateful for donations from non-members.



*It takes a circle!*

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## OUR MISSION

As a growing community of women philanthropists, **we pool our funds and resources** to award yearly Impact Grants to local organizations for projects and initiatives that will address needs in underserved populations.

To further our own education, we are committed to providing opportunities for members to share expertise, build skills, and learn about community, philanthropy, and nonprofit organizations.

### Our current areas of focus are:

- Arts and Culture
- Children, Education, & Schools
- Senior Citizen Welfare
- Women's Health

*It is more rewarding to watch money change the world than watch it accumulate.*

~Gloria Steinem

## What are women's giving circles all about?

Women's giving circles are being formed and gaining influence nationally and worldwide. In the U.S., there are more than 2,000.

The **circle** reflects that the group jointly has the ability to bring about positive **change** and find new solutions in our community.

Women are taking **control** of their finances.

The key word is **collective**. Members learn, work, and make decisions together.

We gain **confidence** in our abilities as financial/community leaders and donors.

We **celebrate** our accomplishments and enjoy **connecting** with each other.

We are women who come together because we care about our community, enjoy collaborating, and can make an impact across Yamhill County. We invite you to join us.

## Testimonials

*This investment in a 12-session curriculum now allows us to offer vital parenting education to Spanish-speaking families in our community—ensuring more parents feel supported, empowered, and connected.*

~A Family Place

*Our summer courses, taught by working artists and educators, include Ceramics, Drama, Sculpture, Smartphone Photography, Creative Sewing, and more. For many young participants, this is the first exposure to hands-on art that has been known to deeply affect their lives.*

~Art Conspiracy (West Valley)

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*I'm delighted to have the chance to meet and interact with such interesting, idealistic local women.*

*Being a 99 GAL Friend allows me to feel positive and energized. It's empowering to be able to make valuable contributions to our community.*

*Where else can I be part of an amazing process to award significant amounts of money each year to worthwhile local causes?!*

## What is the connection between 99 GAL Friends and Give a Little?

99 GAL Friends is a branch of the Give a Little Foundation, which serves as the umbrella or sponsoring agency.

Being under the umbrella brings a number of advantages to 99 GAL Friends, including:

- 501(c)(3) status—see box below
- an established network of contacts with local individuals and organizations
- vital administrative, technical, and other support



Donations are tax-deductible as described in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Our Tax-ID number is 26-0733729.