

**Yes!
I want to join
the LCCF
Women's
Fund!!!**



- I wish to join as a FRIEND for a pledge of \$500
- I wish to **continue** as a Women's Fund member with a pledge of \$500

- Level of Giving:
- Friend
 - Silver Friend (or Founder)
 - Gold Friend (or Founder)
 - Diamond Friend (or Founder)

- I wish to make this contribution as follows:
\$ _____ pledge to be given over 5 years
\$ _____ pledge to be given in full

- I wish to make a one-time contribution to the Women's Fund.
- I'm interested in learning more about the Women's Fund.
Please contact me.

This pledge is in (please circle) **Memory** or **Honor** of: _____

- I would like to pay by check made out to LCCF Women's Fund
- I will pay online at: www.lapeercountycf.org
- I would like to make a payment of \$ _____ through my credit card: ___ MasterCard ___ Visa ___ American Express

#: _____

Exp. Date _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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Please fill out this form and mail to the LCCF Women's Fund at the above address



Join as a Friend

Become a **Friend of the Women's Fund** with a lump sum or 5-year pledge of \$500. As a Friend, your gift will be held in the endowment, building the permanent legacy of the Women's Fund that will be passed on to future generations of Lapeer County women.

Become a Silver Friend

As a **Silver Friend**, your renewed pledge of \$500, at once or over 5 years, (upon completion of your Friend pledge), will continue to build the endowment and enable the Women's Fund to make a greater impact on our community.

Continue to Gold Friend

The next step upon completion of your Silver Pledge is **Gold Friend**. A renewed pledge of \$500, given at once or over 5 years, will further add to the legacy of the Women's Fund, enabling it to extend it's outreach to women in need throughout Lapeer County.

Complete as Diamond Friend

The final step of giving upon completion of your Gold Pledge is the **Diamond Friend**. This pledge of \$500, given at once or over 5 years, will leave a lasting legacy and establish you within a dedicated and unique class of donors who support the goals and ideals of the Lapeer County Women's Fund.

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“Every woman must have a purse of her own.”

– SUSAN B. ANTHONY

When Susan B. Anthony made this statement, she may not have considered how her words would continue to resonate through the coming years. She lived in a world in which women could not inherit property from their parents or husband, could not vote, and were not encouraged to have careers outside the home.

Today we take for granted these rights and our ability to make decisions for ourselves – personally and professionally. Women have historically contributed to their families and communities through volunteerism. The Lapeer County Community Foundation’s Women’s Fund can provide a unique opportunity for women to find their “philanthropic voice.”



The Women’s Fund is a charitable fund held and administered by the Lapeer County Community Foundation

THE WOMEN’S FUND



2017 Women’s Fund scholarship recipients Mariah Rose Wheaton and daughter Addilyne Rose Wheaton.

The Women’s Fund, which was established in 2005 through the vision of 100 Founders as a unique legacy of women helping women in Lapeer County, has blossomed. From Founders, to Friends, and multiple levels of giving, the seed has sprouted and grown into a permanent endowment fund set up by, and for, the women of Lapeer County. The impact of the Women’s Fund grantmaking activities is being felt. Through its membership, the Women’s Fund has the opportunity to

make a lasting impact. By connecting women from all backgrounds and stages of life, they bring unlimited potential to network, share ideas, and plan events and projects that support and impact Lapeer County’s women, their children, and families.

In 2017, the Women’s Fund awarded one of these grants to Mariah Wheaton. Photographed here with her daughter Addilyne Rose Wheaton, her thank you card put into words the impact the Women’s Fund grants have on those who receive them. From the letter:

“As a first generation college student, single-working mom that relies on her amazing group of friends for moral support and guidance, your philanthropic foundation gave me the initiative to keep pushing this semester ... It is because of you that we had a home during February and March. It is because of you that I am currently excelling in all of my classes. And, it is because of you that I didn’t have to give up!”

WAYS TO GIVE

- Join the Women’s Fund as a “Friend”
- Make a general donation of any size to the Women’s Fund.
- Leave a legacy gift through your will or trust.
- Donate with a Purpose – Donate your gently used clothing, collectibles, and housewares to the New to You Consignment store in Lapeer and designate the “Women’s Fund” as your preferred community organization. The Women’s Fund will earn a percentage of the sale of each item sold.
- Volunteer! Join other like-minded women in helping improve the quality of life for women and their children in Lapeer County. It’s a minimal time commitment that can have a big impact.

MAKING AN IMPACT

• EDUCATION GRANTS

The Women’s Fund works in partnership with the Foundation for Mott Community College to offer education grants to non-traditional female Lapeer County women juggling multiple demands of life as they pursue furthering their education. Funds can be used for non-tuition related expenses including books, fees, childcare, transportation, and program costs. Students may receive up to \$1,000 per academic year. By helping to remove financial barriers, these grants allow women to reach their full academic and professional potential.

• MINI-GRANTS

The Women’s Fund Mini Grants assist Lapeer County Women and their children in areas of “crisis concern” with awards of \$1,000 or less. Applicants must be referred by one of our Agency Partners. Grants are for last resort funding for emergency needs that cannot be met by partner organizations.

• ARRETTA JICKLING HILL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship, established by Peggy Patten in memory of her mother Arretta Jickling Hill, honors Arretta’s passion for the undeterred pursuit of educational goals later in life. Born in 1939, and completing her second Master’s Degree at the age of 47, Arretta believed that ‘there is always something to learn in every situation; it is your responsibility to find it’. The Women’s Fund honors Arretta’s legacy by awarding the yearly tuition scholarships of \$1,000 to Lapeer County women seeking education in their adulthood.

• PROJECT GRANTS

Periodically the Women’s Fund sends out Requests for Proposals to nonprofit organizations throughout Lapeer County who are looking for funding to support projects affecting women and their children. Past recipients have included:

Lapeer County Intermediate School District
Lapeer Area Citizens Against Domestic Assault (LACADA)

The Family Literacy Center
Stone Soup Food Bank
Human Development Commission