

WINGS (Women in Northfield Giving Support) educates and expands the number of women in philanthropy, builds and strengthens community through pooled investments, and improves the lives of women and youth in the Northfield area through focused giving.

Please mail your check (P.O. Box 845, Northfield MN 55057) or donate online (wings-mn.org/donate) by Nov. 30. Send your tax-deductible gift soon. Thank you!

Stay informed about WINGS!

E-news is sent to WINGS members and friends monthly. If you are not receiving e-news, please check your email spam folder. If you have questions, contact communications@wings-mn.org.

WINGS Forever
Leave a lasting legacy for future generations.

Thank you for considering making your legacy gift to WINGS. For more information, contact Margit Johnson; president@wings-mn.org

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2019 WINGS Grant Recipients - Total Grants Awarded: \$81,877.00

- Camp FRIENDS: Summer Programming for Students with Disabilities
- Community Action Center Food Stability: Increasing Food Access for Families with Children
- Community Action Center Housing Assistance: Taking Action for Housing
- Community Action Center Northfield Works: Empowering Women through Education
- Community Action Center Transportation: Community Engaged Transportation
- Community Action Center Youth Summer Camp: Scholarships
- Greenvale Park Community School: Bridge Funding
- Hand in Hand Preschool: English Learner Section
- HCI Growing Up Healthy: Evenings in the Park
- HCI NHS Reading Mentors: Mentor Training
- HealthFinders Clinic: Building Comprehensive Care
- HOPE Center: Lifeline
- Infants Remembered in Silence: Bereavement Support Packets
- NHS Multi-Tiered Systems of Support: Emotional, Academic and Physical Well-Being
- Northfield ALC: Backpack Food Program
- Northfield Area Family YMCA: Transportation Co-op
- Northfield Arts Guild: Read Together Create Together
- Northfield Union of Youth: Gaining Opportunity, Access, and Local Stability (GOALS) Education
- Northfield Youth Sports Collaborative: Scholarships
- Northfield YouthBank: Team Training
- Project Friendship: Northfield Community Mentor Training
- Ruth's House of Hope: Transitional Shelter Program
- TORCH Northfield High School: PSEO and College Planning
- TORCH Northfield High School: Revolving Loan Fund
- TORCH Northfield Middle School: Service Learning and Leadership



2019 WINGS Grantees: Grant celebration at St. Olaf

A Letter From Your President



Seeds have figured prominently in WINGS this year. Rob Hardy's poem *Milkweed**, written expressly for our 2019 annual meeting, describes seeds standing "for generosity, for faith, for possibility." WINGS members have been described as "master gardeners," planting seeds with our grants that have grown into Northfield Promise, the Youth Sports Collaborative, the Greenvale Park Community School, and many other

programs for women and youth.

As a gardener since I was five years old, I understand gardens. As a member of WINGS for 20 years I appreciate our organization's ability to nurture programs that support women and youth in the Northfield area.

This year WINGS celebrated grants totaling more than one million dollars during our first 19 years, and we will celebrate

our 20th anniversary in 2020. That's a lot of seeds planted by many dedicated gardeners!

One of WINGS' founders, a mentor to many of us, and another knowledgeable gardener, Molly Woehrlin left a legacy gift** to WINGS. She valued WINGS' mission – educating women to be effective philanthropists through pooled investments supporting grants focused on women and youth. Molly's legacy donation, like the perennial plants that she so generously shared with me and others, will continue to grow for years to come.

My sincerest thanks to WINGS members and friends who have cultivated our strong and vibrant organization. I look forward to the next 20 years of planting seeds!

Margit Johnson — President of WINGS

* <https://wings-mn.org/milkweed/>
** <https://wings-mn.org/legacy-giving/>

Thank you for your generosity!

Minnesotans are known for their generosity and Give to the Max Day is a great day to celebrate that fact. By donating

to WINGS during the Give to the Max giving period, November 1-14, you help WINGS qualify for additional prizes and drawings from \$500-\$10,000. You also ensure that your donation is available for our 2020 grant cycle.

You may donate to WINGS at any time via our website at www.wings-mn.org/donate, or by sending a check to WINGS, P.O. Box 845, Northfield, MN 55057.

WINGS Membership <i>the sky's the limit!</i>				
\$1 - \$119	\$120 - \$299	\$300 - \$599	\$600 - \$1,199	\$1,200 +
\$10 + month	\$25 + month	\$50 + month	\$100 + month	
Friend/Student	Bronze Wings	Silver Wings	Gold Wings	Blue Wings

give TO THE MAX
NOV. 14, 2019

Sustaining Membership

You can be sure you never forget to renew your membership by becoming a Sustaining Member. This option is available to all WINGS members, no matter the giving level. Please consider becoming a sustaining member when you make your online donation at www.wings-mn.org/donate. After clicking the "DONATE NOW" button, you will have the option to make your donation occur monthly.

WINGS Grantee: CAC Northfield WORKS



CAC Northfield WORKS is a program of the Community Action Center designed to aid women experiencing low income who are striving for economic independence.

The \$5,000 grant from WINGS will provide educational opportunities in three areas that are vital for improving their progress toward this goal.

- Transportation: Adult Driver’s Training Course which includes class and behind the wheel instruction in collaboration with Community Services, transportation to test site and language help for passing the written exam.
- Home-based food product safety training and licensure, in collaboration with the University of Minnesota Extension. This includes a \$50 per participant grant for in-home business expenses.
- Career Development: Career and job training scholarships.

Imagine what it means to a woman to be able to drive to and from a job!

WINGS Friends and Members - January 1, 2018 – September 30, 2019

* Founding Member

Karen Achberger
Connie Albers
Amy Allin
Barb Altstaetter*
Cindy Anderson
Anonymous
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Every effort has been made to print an accurate list of members. Our sincere apologies if we have made an error. To correct our records, please contact Mary Lynn Oglesbee at treasurer@wings-mn.org.

WINGS Grantee: Northfield Youth Sports Collaborative



The motto of the Northfield Youth Sports Collaborative (YSC) is, “There is a way for every child to play.” Comprised of 14 local youth sports associations and other youth-supporting entities, the YSC works to increase the involvement of Northfield youth in local sports and to overcome barriers that prevent young people from participating. The YSC’s largest activity is maintaining a shared scholarship pool, which funds low-income children taking part in local sports. The Community Action Center donates its staff time to screen families for financial eligibility and to assist with scholarship applications, thereby keeping the associations from having to delve into families’ finances.

The scholarship fund supports approximately one-third of the cost, with the families and the associations each splitting the remaining two-thirds.

The demand for scholarships has increased consistently in recent years. As a result, last year -- for the first time in the YSC’s history -- children had to be turned away because the demand for scholarships exceeded the financial resources available. The 2019 grant from WINGS helped to address this and make it possible for over 225 young people to take part in local sports.

“There is a way for every child to play.”

What’s Your Legacy?

The Rise of Female Philanthropists – And Three Big Bets They Make

...from an article by Bonnie Chui, for ForbesWomen 7/25/2018

“Most of the private wealth that will change hands in the coming decades is likely to go to women. When women control more wealth, the face of philanthropy will also change. Forbes statistics show that women give almost twice as much of their wealth away as men. With the rise of female philanthropists, not only will there be more philanthropic dollars to spend, trends thus far show that they will be making three big bets.

First, that philanthropy ought to move from an ego-system to an ecosystem. Collaborative giving does not only mean giving together with other like-minded philanthropists – more importantly, it means co-creating solutions with the users and beneficiaries.

Second, that investing in women and girls yields one of the best social returns.

Third, that philanthropy is not separate from investments, and impact investing can enable philanthropists to amplify their impact. In a recent survey by Morgan Stanley, 84% of women said they were interested in “sustainable” investing, defined here as targeting not just financial returns but social or environmental goals.

Let’s use this time to come together, to galvanize the power of women and philanthropy to create the greatest impact for girls and women around the world. The next decade will be a defining one for female philanthropists, and they will challenge the conventions.”

Intrigued? Find the complete article at forbes.com

