



We Change Possibilities

Addressing the needs of women caught in the “gap” for healthcare services – the working poor who lack insurance and do not qualify for Medicaid or Medicare – by funding a medical charity clinic for women; initially services were offered one night a week, and now, the clinic sees women patients four days a week, providing a medical home and treatment to meet their total health needs.

We Change Policy

Supporting a successful statewide effort to pass legislation that changes the treatment of children who are being prostituted, to recognize them as victims not criminals; the legislation adopted by the Texas Legislature dramatically improves the treatment of these children and keeps them out of the criminal justice system.

We Change Priorities

Funding a grant to the only local women’s loan fund to help women establish businesses and achieve economic stability and independence; one loan recipient started an embroidery and silk-screening business in a low-income neighborhood that now, one year later, has five employees and is still growing.

The Dallas Women’s Foundation strengthens the entire community by increasing the investment in women and girls and empowering women’s philanthropy.

Dallas Women’s Foundation was founded by a diverse group of 19 women in 1985 to invest in women’s programs that would drive in systemic change.

The Foundation has since become largest regional women’s fund in the world:

- \$28 million in assets
- Since 1985, \$16.5 million invested in programs benefiting women and girls and the greater community
- Annual grants average \$2 million a year

Research shows that an investment in women – more than any other — is fastest and surest way to impact the entire community.

When you educate a girl, you educate a woman, educate a woman and you educate a family, by doing this you lift up a community and ultimately change society.

Through our grant-making, philanthropy education and research, we are driving a positive ripple effect throughout North Texas.

If you are interested in learning more about the Foundation and ways to get involved, please contact Stephanie Norsworthy at 214.525.5315 or snorsworthy@dallaswomensfoundation.org.



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Women's Philanthropy

Dallas Women's Foundation educates and encourages philanthropists who understand that women and girls are the essential building blocks of stronger communities.

The Foundation offers high-quality programming and access to experts in philanthropy, social issues/social change and successful initiatives.

Grant Making

Dallas Women's Foundation researches, evaluates and awards grants to organizations and programs that can make the most significant impact on the needs of women and girls in our area. Grant awards address a range of issues in the areas of:

- Education
- Family Violence
- Prevention
- Health
- Economic Security

The Foundation utilizes a Social Change Model to determine and illustrate impact of each grant made during the Spring and Fall Grant Cycles.

Research

Dallas Women's Foundation researches the needs of the regions' women and girls to inform grant making and provide philanthropists with tools they need to impact social change.

The Foundation provides annual indicators on the wellbeing of women and girls in the areas of Health & Safety, Economic Security and Education & Leadership. We also conduct special studies such as the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Girls and GENDER MATTERS: An Analysis of the Texas State Budget.