



Women's Fund

Community Foundation
of TOMPKINS COUNTY

Welcome!

**20th Annual Luncheon
& Celebration**

October 15, 2024

WOMEN'S FUND

LUNCHEON & ANNUAL CELEBRATION

To Create Takes Courage:
Honoring Women in the Workforce

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SARAH GOTOWKA
Artist



YEN OSPINA
Artist



MEGAN OMOHUNDRO
Community School of Music & Arts



MEGAN BARBER
Community Arts Partnership

2024 Women's Fund Advisory Committee

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Laura Holmberg Awardee



CONGRATULATIONS

**Mary Pat
Dolan!**

Past Laura Holmberg Award Recipients

2023 Susie Hatch

2022 Lynnette Scofield

2021 Sandy True

2020 Ana Ortiz

2019 Heidi Goldstein

2018 Diane Shafer

2017 Joan Abrams

2016 Phoebe Brown

2015 Joan Barber

2014 Schelley M-Nunn

2013 Beverly Baker

2012 Carol Kammen

2011 Mimi Melegrito

2010 Jennie Graham

2009 Rebecca Elgie

2008 Betsy Darlington

2007 Sara Pines

Thank You

Beverly Baker Society Members!



- John and Elaine Alexander (2017)
- Anonymous Gift (2021)
- Judith Ashton (2023)
- Beverly Baker (2013, 2014, 2016-2018, 2020-2023)
- Mary Berens (2013, 2019)
- Rose S. Bethe (2013)
- Pamela Bleiwas and Jeffrey Silber (2019, 2021, 2023)
- Bousquet Holstein PLLC (2019, 2021, 2022)
- Suzanne Brache (2021, 2022)
- Christine Brouwer (2013)
- CFCU Community Credit Union (2013, 2014)
- Millie Clarke-Maynard (2016, 2017, 2018)



- Elissa Cogan and Barry Chester (2013-2015, 2017-2023)
- Diane Conneman (2020)
- La Jerne Cornish, Ithaca College (2023, 2024)
- Coughlin & Gerhart (2023)
- Priscilla Crispell (2022)

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- Megan Adams
- Eric Alani and Esther Racoosin
- Stephanie Andres
- Mark and Judith Ashton
- Beverly Baker
- Harriet Becker
- Pamela Bleiwas
- Bousquet Holstein PLLC
- Suzanne Brache
- Gladys Brangman
- Peter and Beth Brennan
- Robert Brown
- Cynthia Chase and Jonathan Culler
- Sherman Cochran



- Elissa Cogan and Barry Chester
- Diane Cohen
- Gloria Coicou
- Community Foundation of Tompkins County
- Karen Comstock and Vicki Gayle
- Diane Conneman
- La Jerne Cornish, Ithaca College
- Coughlin & Gerhart
- Caroline Cox
- Dermatology Associates of Ithaca
- Barbara DeWall
- David Dier
- Jerry Dietz
- Mary Pat Dolan
- Robin and Edward Dubovi
- Betsy East

Fall 2023 Grantee



College Initiative Upstate

\$8,000

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**Tompkins Today & Tomorrow
Fund**

David A. Hammer Fund

Savin-Williams & Cohen Fund

"Our grant funds were instrumental in the establishment of the WebWise Student Success program at CIU, enabling the creation and implementation of a comprehensive plan to support online learners—whether by choice or necessity. Through the WebWise initiative, we provided targeted assistance and specialized instruction to help students master online learning technologies."

**Jodi Anderson, From
Prison to Stanford
University**





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- Jerry Dietz (2013, 2016-2022)
- Robin and Edward Dubovi (2021, 2023)
- David and Peggy Dunlop (2013)
- Maria Eisner (2013, 2014, 2015, 2016)
- Jennifer Engel and Larry Young (2013)
- Estate of Ann Mathews (2021)
- Estate of Ann Shumate (2023)
- Flair Strategic Communications (2022)
- Flamingo Fund (2019)
- Joanne Florino (2013)
- Vicki Gayle and Karen Comstock (2013-2017, 2023)
- Julie Gorman (2017-2019)
- Carl and Jean Gortzig (2013)
- Jennie Graham (2013)



- Hinchcliff Family Fund; John and Robin Moss Hinchcliff (2015)
- Michael and Linda Hoffmann (2019)
- Hope Thorn Horst (2014)
- Barbara Hulbert (2013, 2016)
- Elsa Hyde (2015, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022)









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- Estate of Ann Shumate
- George Ferrari and Daniel Hirtler
- Foodnet Meals on Wheels
- Ritza Francois
- Martha Frommelt and David Feldshuh
- Melissa Gallison
- William Ghiorse
- Julia C. Gorman
- Mary and Bradley Grainger
- Sally and David Grubb
- Carl and Sue Haynes
- Ann Helpern
- Linda Hoffmann
- Rachel Hogancamp
- Anna Holmberg
- Illume Projects, LLC
- Carla Ingrando
- Ithaca Marriott Downtown on the Commons
- Patti Jacobson
- Sarah Johnson
- Debbie Kamarck
- Carol Kammen
- Peter and Mary Katzenstein
- Kendal at Ithaca
- Nicole D Kerness
- Amy Kohut
- Amy Kremenek
- Hilary Lambert
- Nancy Lee Leeming
- Amy LeViere



Fall 2023 Grantee



doula
access
initiative

**Doula Access
Initiative
\$7,500
Women's Fund
Anonymous Fund**



“Being able to apply for free doula care through the Ithaca Doula Access Initiative gave me the exact birth that I wanted. Even with being in labor for almost 4 days and 2 hours of pushing I was able to go completely unmediated. Thanks to [doula]! Without her encouraging words throughout the entire labor and delivery process I would not have been able to stick to my birth plan. Birth is extremely vulnerable and to have that informational and emotional support was the best thing I could’ve done for my pregnancy.”
~ Birthgiver





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- Ithaca Marriott Downtown on The Commons (2022, 2024)
- Carol Kammen (2014-2016, 2019, 2021, 2022-2024)
- Mary and Peter Katzenstein (2023)
- Michelle Kortenaar (2018)
- Sheila Danko and David Kuckuk (2016-2024)
- Perri LoPinto (2013, 2014)
- Maralyn W. Fleming Fund (2024)
- Ann Mathews (2013, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2019, 2021)
- Mary MacAusland (2020)
- Dr. Josie McAllister (2023, 2024)
- Sally McConnell-Ginet (2022)
- Nina Miller (2013)
- Barbara Mingle (2013)



- Risa Mish (2013-2020, 2023, 2024)
- Alice Moore and Robert Smith (2013-2015, 2017, 2019, 2020-2024)
- Susanne Morgan (2013)
- Susan Murphy (2013)
- Elisabeth Peck (2023)
- Sara Pines (2014, 2015, 2016)







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are here!**









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- Mary-Carol Lindbloom
- Emily Maller
- Maralyn W. Fleming Fund
- Saoirse McClory
- Carolyn McPherson
- Risa Mish
- Alice Moore and Robert Smith
- Murphy Grant Consulting
- Susan H. Murphy
- Elizabeth Peck
- Sue Perlgut
- Nancy Potter and George Gull
- Esther Racoosin
- Rasa Spa
- Carrie Regenstein



- Julia Ressler
- Robert and Laura Andolina
- Susan Robinson and Martha Fisher
- Monika Roth
- Judith Rothenberg
- Emily Russell, Jill Burlington Team, Warren Real Estate
- Laurent Saloff-Coste
- SASquier Consulting LLC
- Helen Saunders
- Karen Schachere and Philip McMichael
- Betsy Schermerhorn
- Lynnette Scofield
- Diane and Dick Shafer
- Jeffrey Silber and Pamela Bleiwas
- Joan Spielholz

Fall 2023 Grantee



Second Wind Cottages
\$10,000

**Women's Fund, Anonymous Fund,
McPheron Family Fund**



“Second Wind is very grateful for the continued support of the Community Foundation, the Women’s Fund, and the important role it has in helping those in need throughout our community. Many thanks to George and the entire Community Foundation staff and community of donors. The funds from this grant allow Casandra Borland (a formerly homeless woman who lived in Ithaca’s jungle and escaped homelessness with the assistance of Second Wind’s homeless crisis alleviation team) to serve as the Dryden House Community Manager and give back to women who are in the situation she escaped from”

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La Jeanne Cornish

Michelle Williams

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- Nancy Potter and George Gull (2013, 2021-2023)
- Rasa Spa (2024)
- Carrie Regenstein (2014-2018)
- Ridenour-Shady Family Fund (2019)
- Susan Robinson (2014, 2016, 2024)
- Mickie Sanders-Jauquet and Mark (2016-2022)
- Helen Saunders (2013)
- Karen Schachere (2023)
- Elizabeth Schermerhorn-Apgar (2013, 2017, 2018, 2020)
- Nancy Schuler (2013)
- Sciarabba Walker & Company, LLP (2022)



- Lynnette Scofield (2023)
- Shelley Semmler (2013)
- Diane and Dick Shafer (2021-2023)
- Ann Shumate (2013)
- Rachel J. Siegel (2013, 2014)
- Rachel J. Siegel Fund (2016)





Spring 2024 Grantee



**Open Doors English
\$8,000
Women's Fund,
Anonymous Fund,
McPheron Family Fund**



“ODE is so thankful to Community Foundation, the fund advisors, and funders for supporting our program every year for the last five years! Your support is an anchor for us and our students. Thank you for seeing and valuing the work we do and the role we play in the lives of so many in our community. The video attached is from one of our ESL classes. Each student is saying thank you in their native language. Thank you, thank you! The impact of your support is literally felt around the world!”

ENGLISH CLASSES FOR ALL
Register today!
email: hboyer.ode@gmail.com
Classes for all
English levels
Monday-
Thursday

A flyer for English classes. It features a red circular logo with a stylized tree/plant in the background. Below the text is a photograph of four diverse people smiling.





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Ithaca Community Radio
\$10,000

Women's Fund, Tompkins Today &
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WRFI provides a platform for local and underrepresented people to have their voices heard over the airwaves. The voices of our hosts, guests, and more casual participants are direct reflections of broad community interests, issues, and perspectives. Our programming supports the public good and compassionate, civic engagement here in Tompkins County and beyond.

2023 Fall Grant Cycle Review Team



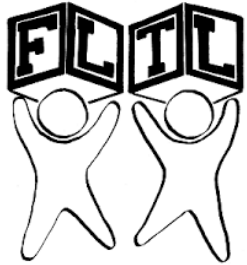
- ❖ Courtney Owens
- ❖ Kary Young
- ❖ Chenga Drury
- ❖ Elena Flash
- ❖ Laura Andolina
- ❖ Jennifer Gabriel

2024 Spring Grant Cycle Review Team



- ❖ Susie Gutenberger
- ❖ Carol Mallison
- ❖ Elena Flash
- ❖ Kary Young
- ❖ Beth Harrington

Spring 2024 Grantee



**Finger Lakes Toy
Library
\$6,000
Women's Fund,
Tompkins Today &
Tomorrow Fund**



"We, the Finger Lakes Toy Library (FLTL), believe that every child's experience should be valued, seen, and supported. As the only toy library in the Finger Lakes region, we prioritize equal access to a collection of over 1700 high-quality toys through a "pay what you can afford" membership that is decided by each member, with many members paying nothing at all. Member families and member organizations can borrow toys for up to four weeks at a time and tailor their toy choices to their specific needs and interests. While access to toys may seem less important on Maslow's hierarchy of needs, we know that for children, play is how they make sense of the world, gain confidence, and build attachment to others"





Thank You for your generous gift to the Women's Fund!



- Sheila Squier
- Sheila Stone & Charlie Strohman
- Sandra Stuckman
- Angela Sullivan
- Robert & Pamela Swieringa
- Jennifer Tavares
- Teacher-On-The Go Consulting Group LLC
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- Gloria Weiss
- Amy & Stephen Yale-Loehr
- YMCA of Ithaca and Tompkins County

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- Sheila Squier (2022-2024)
- Sheila Stone and Charlie Strohman (2022, 2023)
- Sandra C. Stuckman (2022)
- Pamela and Bob Swieringa (2013-2019, 2021-2023)
- Marney and Joe Thomas (2018, 2021-2024)
- Tompkins Community Bank (2018, 2022, 2023)
- Carol and Mack Travis (2013-2016, 2018)
- Travis Hyde Properties (2020-2022)
- The True Family (2013)
- Triad Foundation (2014)
- Yohko Kirsch Tsuji (2021)
- VISIONS Community Credit Union (2018)



- VNS of Ithaca & Tompkins County (2017)
- Julie Waters (2013)
- Well Said Media (2021)
- Thomas Weiler (2013)
- Amy & Stephen Yale-Loehr (2014-2024)
- Jeanne Yarussi (2013)
- Mary Ziegler (2013)

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Amplify Equity
\$10,000
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“Tijuanna Chrispin, the owner of Mis Wu Waxing Salon, is approaching the two-year anniversary of the loan she took out from AE to grow her fledging business. “The reason why I wanted to start a business is basically for women like me, and also men kinda like me as well,” Tijuanna says. “I’m a mom and a woman of color, and sometimes our opportunity’s a little limited. So, I just want to have a safe space for everyone here to be able to thrive and grow along with me.”

Tijuanna came to AE in a pinch: she had just launched her business in Ithaca Collegetown and was behind on rent. Being the mother of a toddler and living an hour away presented substantial challenges...The loan committee approved a \$20,000 loan with a requirement that she come to business counseling twice a month for six months. Since that time, Tijuanna has gradually grown her business from being solely dedicated to waxing services to including several hair stylists, enabling her to diversify her revenue streams and achieve more growth.







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**Women's
Opportunity
Center**

\$10,000

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"Two years ago, my world fell apart. After being a stay-at-home mom for 29 years, I left a financially abusive marriage. I had no work experience, no credit score, and no idea how to even begin rebuilding my life. Walking into the Women's Opportunity Center was terrifying. I didn't know who I was or what I wanted. My coach became more than just someone helping me find a job. She was a patient listener, a cheerleader, and a coach who pushed me to see my own value. At first, I took a cleaning job – it was all I knew. But I was challenged by my coach to think bigger. She encouraged me to take computer classes, enroll in training at SUNY EOC, and practice interview skills. I landed a job with a local school district! Through it all, my coach was there. The WOC gave me the confidence and tools to become independent and build a life I can be proud of. Today, I'm not just a survivor, I'm a thriver. Thank you, WOC!"





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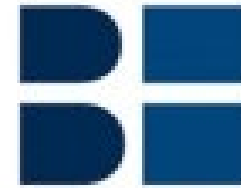


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