2005 REPORT to the
Women’s Fund Community
DEAR FRIENDS AND SUPPORTERS,

2005 was a milestone year for the Women’s Fund. The board completed a strategic plan to position the Women’s Fund for future growth and self-sufficiency and achieved status as an independent public foundation. With a year-end endowment balance of $4.374 million and pledges of more than $800,000, we successfully completed the Power of 1,000 Women campaign, which will increase the endowment to over $5 million. We expressed our value of inclusion by welcoming the Lesbian Fund, which joins the African American Women’s Fund Project and Latinas en Acción as constituency funds within our organization.

We also completed our final year of participation in the Ms. Collaborative for Youth-Led Social Change. The Fund made its first national grant to this three-year, $1.4 million project with help from the Bob and Linda Davis Family Fund. Our investment generated significant opportunities for young women in Milwaukee, and learning that will enhance girls’ programming in our community and nationwide for years to come.

We are all – board and staff – committed to fulfilling the vision of the strategic plan over the next three years including piloting a new grantmaking program designed to accelerate change and create closer partnerships with grantees, and new donor programs to recognize women’s philanthropy as our most powerful tool. At the same time, we want to express our gratitude to those who share our vision and who are providing unprecedented support during this time of transition – the Greater Milwaukee Foundation for a pledge of $150,000 over three years toward transition costs and invaluable technical assistance, the Brico Fund for a gift of $50,000 for start-up costs, Jacqueline Boynton and the Martin Family Foundation for $10,000 each for start-up costs, and more than $20,000 of pro bono legal services from Quarles & Brady.

With the support of all of our generous donors and volunteers, we begin 2006 in the best financial position ever with all of our start-up funds raised and more than $100,000 in operating reserve. We invite you to help us keep the momentum going and increase our grantmaking ability and impact. We are counting on you, our donors, friends and supporters, for the financial resources, forward thinking and spirit we need to make the most of the coming opportunities.

Together, we can be a catalyst for positive social change.

Heidi Retzlaff
2006 Board Chair

Elaine Maly
Executive Director
WE ADVANCE ACCESS, EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE.

**2005: A TURNING POINT FOR THE WOMEN’S FUND**

Motivated by the needs of women and girls in our community, and inspired by the potential of women’s philanthropy to make a difference in the world, the Women’s Fund became an independent public foundation in 2005.

The transition was the culmination of self-evaluation, envisioning and strategic planning by Women’s Fund board members, volunteers and staff. The Fund has set itself on a course to use the power of women’s philanthropy to make a higher level of impact influencing broader social change. In short, the Women’s Fund has better positioned itself as a social change catalyst.

For 2006 through 2008, the Women’s Fund will work toward four goals:

**#1:** The Women’s Fund will increase resources for women and girls by positioning itself for growth.

The first step, to secure independent public foundation status for increased visibility and autonomy, has already been achieved. Ongoing strategies include recruiting board members and volunteers with the talents necessary for future growth and assuming investment management responsibility for the endowment in 2007. Achievement of this goal will help grow Women’s Fund grantmaking to $200,000 annually in 2008.

**#2:** Grantmaking priorities provide a unique funding niche for the Women’s Fund and partner relationships with grantees.

Granting priorities will advance the Women’s Fund’s mission of greater access, equity and social justice. A new, more proactive and focused grantmaking program will make the Women’s Fund more effective as a social change funder and a stronger partner to its grantees.

**#3:** The Women’s Fund will advance philanthropy for women.

The Women’s Fund recognizes and values every gift and works to engage women and girls in the thoughtful practice of philanthropy. The partnership with the African American Women’s Fund Project and the development of new funds such as Latinas en Acción and the Lesbian Fund help groups of women come together to use their collective giving to create change in their specific community. New donor programs with a variety of engagement levels for women and for girls are in development.

**#4:** As an advocate for women and girls, the Women’s Fund helps to spread the knowledge about the issues and solutions for women and girls of the greater Milwaukee area.

The Women’s Fund’s goal is to make the connection between the well being of women and girls and the prosperity of the community. Strategies to reach this goal include partnering on research projects, collaborating with other funders to increase grantmaking, providing donor and community education, and participating in community-wide programs that address barriers to equity.

**The Results**

As the Women’s Fund achieves these goals, the community will see women and girls as a good investment for positive change that benefits all. Donors of all sizes will choose the Women’s Fund as the best place to express their philanthropic vision for women and girls. Grantees will benefit by the strength of their partnership with the Women’s Fund.

The Women’s Fund 2006-2008 Strategic Plan is available in its entirety at [www.womensfund.com](http://www.womensfund.com).
WE ADVOCATE FOR EMPOWERMENT OF ALL WOMEN.

2005-2006 WOMEN’S FUND BOARD

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- Gwat-Yong Lie

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- Marilyn Spear
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- Julie Penman, 2005-06 co-chair
- Diana Redlich, 2006 co-chair
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- Mary Dowell
- Barb Notestein
- Joan Prince
- Renee Scherck-Meyer
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- June Perry
- Thelma Sias
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- Barbara Media
- Maria Rodriguez
- Elisa Romero
- Lenore Rosas
- Pat Villareal

Lesbian Fund Taskforce
- Tanya Atkinson
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- Fai De Mark
- Angie Guerra
- Christine Harris
- Kathleen Herbst
- Ruth Irving
- June Kriviskey
- India Mccanse
- Barbara Morgan
WE BELIEVE OUR WORLD NEEDS WOMEN MAKING DECISIONS AND TAKING ON CRITICAL ISSUES.

INCREASING ACCESS THROUGH EDUCATION

Education impacts economic self-sufficiency.
Consider: Women who graduate from college earn on average 76% more than women with only a high school diploma.

To advance women’s educational attainment, the Women’s Fund’s Her Scholarship Fund focuses on women over 35, the demographic facing the greatest challenges in completing a four-year degree. In 2005, Her Scholarships helped three Milwaukee-area women continue their higher education:

2005 HER SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Lucille Duncan
Nursing major at Mount Mary College

Kathryn Parry Immler
Respiratory Care Practitioner Program
at Milwaukee Area Technical College

Sarah Ritson
Nursing major at University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee

WOMEN & PUBLIC POLICY LUNCHEON

The Women’s Fund’s Women & Public Policy Luncheon has become well-recognized in the greater Milwaukee area as an event that raises awareness of the importance of women’s political leadership. Well-attended by community, business and government leaders, the luncheon has featured speakers such as Governor Jim Doyle (2003), Wisconsin Congresswoman Gwen Moore (2005), U.S. Representative Tammy Baldwin (1999), and former Ms. Foundation President and White House Project President Marie Wilson (2000).

A significant source of operating funds for the Women’s Fund, the Women & Public Policy Luncheon is regularly supported by sponsors such as the Forest County Potawatomi Community Foundation, The Business Journal, Covenant Women’s Well-Being, Time Warner Cable, Johnson Controls, M&I Bank, Northwestern Mutual Foundation, Assurant Health, Briggs & Stratton, GE Healthcare, Harley Davidson Foundation, Robert W. Baird, Legacy Bank, Quarles & Brady, Foley & Lardner, We Energies, and Roundy’s.

MILESTONES

1986 – First donation made to the Women’s Fund
1989 – First grants made
1995 – Endowment reaches $1 million
2002 – Co-publishes first Status of Women in Wisconsin Report
2005 – Women’s Fund earns independent 501(c)3 status, endowment surpasses $4 million

WOMEN’S FUND FOUNDING MOTHERS

Judith Bluestone
Julie Carpenter
Doris Chortek
Alberta Darling
Austin Doherty
Susan Dragisic
Judith Drinka
Barbara Elsner
Susan Engeleiter
Leila Fraser
Patrice Heinz
Doris Heiser
Gretchen Henry
Gwen Jackson
Sister M. Camille Klebhan
Melita Lane
Elizabeth Levins
Betty Lieberman
Jean Lindemann
Sister Ellen Lorenz
Marianne Lubar
Mary Messinger
Jane Moore
Judith Murphy
Betty Jo Nelson
Betty Ewens Quadrauci
Sister Joel Read
Esther Leah Ritz
Lyn Skee
Annette Stoddard-Freeman
Kim Trostel
Jean Tyler
Barbara Ulichny
Joan Urdan
2005-06 WOMEN’S FUND GRANTEES

American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin’s Other America Tour ($10,000) – changing attitudes about gender and race among high school students throughout Wisconsin.

CORE/El Centro’s Community Health Fitness Program ($10,000) – providing access to real health gains by changing attitudes amongLatinas and building collaboration between alternative and traditional medicine.

Family Service of Waukesha ($10,000) – for the Waukesha County Child Advocacy Center, changing systems for girls who have experienced violence for efficient access to public services.

Fondy Food Center, Inc.’s FoodRight ($7,000) – creating a curriculum that teaches young women living in the central city to improve justice in the food system and to improve personal food habits for better health.

Girl Scouts of Milwaukee Area’s BOLD Leadership Development ($6,000) – expanding youth leadership within the Girl Scouts organization.

Girls in Charge’s Gender Competency Action Learning Initiative ($5,000) – training youth workers to create high quality gender-responsive programs in six Milwaukee agencies.

Habitat for Humanity-Milwaukee’s Women’s Build ($10,000) – supporting an all-women building crew changing ideas about women and the trades.

Nine to Five Working Women Education Foundation’s Removing Barriers to Economic Self Sufficiency ($10,000) – engaging low income women as leaders in critical public policy arenas to improve the lives of low wage workers.

Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin, Inc.’s Real Life Real Talk ($10,000) – engaging teens and adults in behavior and definition-changing dialogue about sexuality in order to reduce teen pregnancy.

Walker’s Point Youth and Family Center’s PROJECT TAKE CHARGE ($10,000) – providing leadership training for young women to transform negative behaviors into positive community action.

Wisconsin Women = Prosperity’s Regional Solutions Network ($10,000) – increasing the status of women in Wisconsin through collective action in public policy.

YWCA of Greater Milwaukee’s Leadership in Action: Stand Up! ($10,000) – teaching young women to get involved in political action and to inspire ambition for elected office.

WOMEN’S FUND LEVERAGES SPECIAL GRANT FOR SOJOURNER TRUTH HOUSE

The Women’s Fund collaborated with long-time grantee Sojourner Truth House to win a $20,000 Annie E. Casey Foundation grant for Sojourner Truth House’s Partners in Parenting: Rethinking Domestic Violence & Co-parenting, a pilot project that looks at domestic violence as an issue in a family, where each parent has a responsibility to create a healthy environment for children.
WE AFFIRM THAT WOMEN AND MEN ARE EQUAL IN THEIR RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

WOMEN’S FUND GRANTEES 1989 - 2006

Abundant Life Ministry
Adult Learning Center
Advocates of Ozaukee, Inc.
After Breast Cancer Diagnosis
Alverno College
American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin
ARC Milwaukee
Aurora Weir Educational Center
Benedict Center
Bottomless Closet
Casa Maria
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Inc.
Center for Teaching Entrepreneurship
Children’s Outing Association
COA Youth & Family Centers
Columbia College of Nursing
CORE/EL Centro
4C-Community Coordinated Child Care
Community Health Concepts
Counseling Center of Milwaukee, Inc.
Danceworks, Inc.
Daystar
Dominican Center for Women, Inc.
ESHAC
Esperanza Unida
Family House
Family Service of Waukesha
Fondy Food Center, Inc.
Friends of Abused Families, Inc.

Girl Scouts of Milwaukee Area
Girls in Charge Coalition
Grand Avenue Club, Inc.
Gray’s Child Development Center
Guest House of Milwaukee, Inc.
Habitat for Humanity – Milwaukee
Hansberry-Sands Theatre Company
The Healing Center
Hispanic Women and Family Committee
Hmong American Women’s Association, Inc.
Holton Youth Center (YMCA)
House of Peace
Institute for Women’s Policy Research
Interfaith Caregiving Network, Inc.
Journey House
La Casa de Esperanza
La Causa Family Resource Center
Lake Country 9to5
Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee
Meta House, Inc.
Milwaukee Achiever Literacy Services
Milwaukee Area American Indian Manpower Council
Milwaukee Breast Cancer Awareness Project
Milwaukee Careers Cooperative
Milwaukee Community Service Corps.

Milwaukee Independent Film Society/New Moon Productions
Milwaukee Indian Health Board
Milwaukee LGBT Community Center
Milwaukee National Organization for Women Education Fund
Milwaukee 9to5
Milwaukee Public Theater
Milwaukee Women’s Center
Mount Mary College
Ms. Collaborative for Youth-Led Social Change
My Home, Your Home, Inc.
Neighborhood House
Neighborhood Store
New Concept Self-Development Center
Nine to Five (9to5) Working Women Education Fund
Northcott Neighborhood House
Notre Dame Middle School, Inc.
Parent Education Project of Wisconsin, Inc.
The Parenting Network
Parents Anonymous of Greater Milwaukee
PEARLS for Teen Girls, Inc.
Penfield Children’s Center
Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin, Inc.
Poverty Network Initiative
Project RETURN
Rosalie Manor
S.E.T. Ministry, Inc.
St. Joan Antida High School

St. Rose Youth & Family Center, Inc.
Sexual Assault Treatment Center
Shade Tree Family Resource Center, Inc.
Silver Spring Neighborhood Center
Sixteenth Street Community Health Center
Sojourner Truth House
Strive Media Institute, Inc.
Task Force on Family Violence
Transcenter for Youth
United Cerebral Palsy of Southeastern Wisconsin
United Community Center
UMOS Latina Resource Center
United Way
UP Connection
WWBIC
Walker’s Point Youth & Family Center
Waukesha County Technical College
Waukesha Memorial Hospital
Wisconsin Early Childhood Association-Milwaukee
Wisconsin Women Equals Prosperity Initiative (WW=)
Women & Poverty Public Education Initiative
Women’s Center (Waukesha)
Women’s Resource Day
YWCA of Greater Milwaukee
YWCA of Waukesha


YOUR DONATION IS THE MOST POWERFUL TOOL WE HAVE.

GIFTS TO THE WOMEN’S FUND CAN BE DIRECTED TO SEVERAL AREAS:

The Women’s Fund: build the operating capacity, endowment, and grantmaking funds of the Women’s Fund.

Direct your gift to a specific existing fund:

The African American Women’s Fund Project: dedicated to funding programs that support health, well being, and advancement of African American women and girls. This fund honors Betty Thompson with an annual grant.

Latinas en Acción: a permanent resource for positive change for Latinas and the Hispanic community.

Lesbian Fund: encouraging philanthropy that will increase the visibility of lesbians as strong community leaders, inform and advocate for lesbian concerns, and provide financial support to initiatives benefiting lesbians at all stages of life.

The Her Scholarship Fund: dedicated to providing college scholarships for low-income women age 35 and over.

Create your own fund: Donors can create special funds on their own or with family and friends for recognition, to honor a loved one, and/or determine the direction of the fund’s proceeds. The minimum needed to establish a new fund is $25,000, which can be built over time. Donors should contact the Women’s Fund to discuss their vision.

Ways to Give:

- Make a cash contribution of any size.
- Renew or begin a multi-year pledge to be paid in monthly, quarterly or annual installments for up to 10 years.
- Give a gift of appreciated securities.
- Make a gift in honor or memory of someone special.
- Sponsor an event.
- Host an awareness event to introduce your friends to the Women’s Fund.
- Establish a lasting legacy – designate the Women’s Fund as the beneficiary of part or all of an estate, life insurance policy or retirement plan.

Gwen Jackson
LYNDE B. UIHLEIN AWARD RECIPIENT

What do women making a difference in Milwaukee have in common? Many count Gwen Jackson as one of their role models. Gwen is a founding mother of both the Women’s Fund and the African American Women’s Fund Project and served on the board of the Women’s Funding Network. She has made the world a better place for women and girls through a lifetime of volunteer and leadership positions. In 2005, the Women’s Fund honored Gwen with the Lynde B. Uihlein award.

Gwen is looking forward to the Women’s Fund’s increasing role as an advocate for social justice, and hopes the Milwaukee community will join her in supporting the Women’s Fund in this time of unprecedented potential. “I feel the opportunity is ripe and the Women’s Fund’s future should be secure. This is the time for all women – and good men – to provide the capital, both financial and human, so there can be an effective voice for human rights and public policy from a woman’s perspective.”
The Board of the Women’s Fund is working to build a sustainable business structure that honors our supporters by spending and investing donations wisely. We are grateful for the generous support received in 2005 signaling confidence in our strategic plan to create an independent Women’s Fund. We are especially grateful for the financial and technical support of the Greater Milwaukee Foundation, and as you can see from this report, for their good stewardship of our endowment funds.

The Women’s Fund payment to the Greater Milwaukee Foundation for endowment fund administration is listed as Endowment Administrative Fee in the expenses. For clarification, the Grants and Programming expense line includes grants and scholarships as well as Women’s Fund operating resources directed to the granting process and advocacy work such as the Status of Women in Wisconsin Report. Miscellaneous distributions refers to legal fees and bank fees. The year-end operating balance includes $60,000 earmarked for transition costs. The remaining operating year-end balance will be the beginning of an operating reserve which we plan to build to $300,000, roughly the equivalent of one year of operating funds.

**2005 FINANCIAL PICTURE**

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*paid to the Greater Milwaukee Foundation
2005 WOMEN’S FUND DONORS

WomenWill
Donors who have generously included the Women’s Fund in their will.
Diane Buck
Sarah Dean
Jean DiMotto
Anne Kufus Elvgren
Joan Hubbard
Catherine Kliman
Sally Lewis
Mary McKey
Sylvia Murn
Susan Nelson
Beth Partleton
Joan Prince
Mary Roggeman
Gladys Spear
Joan Underberg

Named Funds
Permanent funds in the Women’s Fund named for donors who have given (cumulatively) $10,000 or more to the Women’s Fund or their honorees.

$100,000 +
Elizabeth Elser Doolittle Fund
Elizabeth Leis Erasmus Charitable Endowment Fund
Sylvia and Gilbert Goldman Memorial Fund
Louise Pabst Hook Fund
Phyllis Huffman Fund

Anne G. Johnson Fund
Ann and Richard Teerlink Fund

$25,000-$49,999
Mary Weber Behrendt Fund
Sally W. Grootemaat Fund
Mary T. Kubale Fund
Martin Family Foundation Fund
The Mitsi Fund
Louise Neitge Mather Scholarship Fund
Professional Dimensions Fund
Miriam S. Reading Fund
Esther Leah Ritz Fund
Elizabeth Stafford Fund
Polly H. VanDyke Fund

$10,000-$24,999
Janet C. Balding Fund
Joan H. Boerner Fund
Wendy Reed Bosworth Fund
Constance Bowman Fund
Diane M. Buck Fund
Doris H. Chortek Fund
Beverly Colton Fund
Linda Davis Fund
Dr. Susan E. Day Fund
Marianne Epstein Fund
Joan H. Hardy Fund
Sandra U. Hoeh Fund

The Goldman Family
LEAVING A LEGACY

The Sylvia and Gilbert Goldman Fund, the largest gift ever to the Women’s Fund, stands as a lasting tribute to parents who helped shape two very independent daughters, Sue Gold Womom and Jo Goldman. Sylvia and Gilbert shared a deep commitment to Milwaukee but had a great sense of the world, traveling and learning about other places and cultures. Sylvia, especially, was a role model to her daughters. “Mom was not someone who had a lot of schooling after high school but she was always interested in education and politics,” says Sue.

As the wife of a successful salesman who traveled frequently, Sylvia had to take care of all kinds of nontraditional tasks. “Mom had to fix faucets and put electric outlets in the wall – she had confidence and the willingness to try new things,” says Sue, “and when she became a widow at age 50, we found inspiration in the new life she made for herself.”

Sylvia journeyed to China in 1981, a time period when travel to China was not easy. “My mother was independent-minded, intelligent and creative and the kind of person that would love to be on the ground floor of an organization that’s helping women have fuller lives,” says Jo. The Goldman Fund grew out of an intergenerational estate planning discussion. Sylvia Goldman was willing to incorporate the charitable goals of her daughters into her plan in a way that saved significant estate taxes.
2005 WOMEN’S FUND DONORS

Sally Merrell Fund
SBC Fund
Marsha Sehler Fund
Natalie Soref Fund
Harriet G. Surinak Fund
Joan S. Underberg Fund
Pat Wilmeth Her Scholarship Fund

Fund Builders
Donors who have made a pledge of $10,000 to the Women’s Fund.
Deborah Blanks
Mary Cannon
Mike Dawson
Aileen Conway Dineen Family
Sandra Walther Duffy
Mary Franke
Doris Heiser
Margaret Henningsen
Gwen Jackson
Debra Janssen
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Heidi and Robert Retzlaff
Maria Rodriguez
Mary Roggeman
Rebecca Ryan
Mary Ellen and Scott Stanek
Jennifer and Brian Studebaker
Julia Taylor
Catherine Tenke Teichert

Little Women’s and Men’s Funds
Funds named in honor of a child and positioned for long term growth.
Antonia Madelaine Arney Fund
Grace Blankenburg Fund
Juliette Ileana Bostrom Fund
Madeline Marie Bowman Fund
Sarah Joan Bowman Fund
Kelly Gildea Cannon Fund
Anna Catherine Cottrill Fund
Murphy Coughlin Mellowes Fund
Kana Rose Dawson Fund
Julia Mary Ela Fund
Alessandra Ferriso Fund
Siena Ferriso Fund
Emma Lucille Flegel Fund
Maisy Nedda Flegel Fund
Chloe and Nina Frankovic
Natalie Jayne Geisler Fund
Dawson Keith Gulley Fund
Sarah Janty Hallett Fund
Emmanuelle India Haye Fund
Reilly Morgan Johnson Fund
Felicia Leilani Keller Fund
Jocelyn Marie Keller Fund
Lilyana Markoff Fund
Aspen Haile Martin Fund
Kiana Xiayang Martin Fund
Oakley Rhea Martin Fund
Scanlon Mary Mellowes Fund
Kenza Meyer Fund
Emily Camille Myers Fund
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Elizabeth Reed Plummer Fund
Hillary Beatrice Rolfs Fund
Claire, Allison, and Caroline Sheehan Fund
Amanda Ann Sherman Fund
Mary-Lucile Leach Smith Fund
Bryn Katherine Summers Fund
Charles F. Wayson Fund
Eamonn W.C. Wayson Fund
Kaitlin T. Wayson Fund
McKenzie Ann Wilkins Fund
Sam Brody Wilson Fund

2005 Donors
$50,000+
Brico Fund, LLC
Estate of Anne G. Johnson
Goldman Family Limited Partnership
Greater Milwaukee Foundation

$25,000-$49,000
Marshall & Ilsley Foundation, Inc.
Women’s Funding Network

$10,000-$24,999
Bert L. and Patricia S. Steigleder Charitable Trust
Jacqueline Boynton
The Business Journal
Covenant Healthcare System, Inc.
Forest County Potawatomi Community
Journal Sentinel Inc.
Barbara Manger
Sally Merrell
Miller Brewing Company
Quarles & Brady
Teerlink Family Foundation
Time Warner Cable
United Way of Greater Milwaukee
Pat Wilmeth
Carmen Witt

$5,000-$9,999
Janine Arseneau
Four-Four Foundation, Inc.
GE Healthcare
Johnson Controls
Northwestern Mutual Foundation
Diane Pellegrin
We Energies
$1,000-$4,999
Alverno College
American Family Mutual Insurance Company
American Transmission Company
Susan Apple
Assurant Health Foundation
Aurora Health Care
Briggs & Stratton Corporation
Diane Buck
Burke Properties
Cardinal Stritch University
Charter Manufacturing Company Foundation, Inc.
Marcia and Elliot Coles
Cook & Franke SC
Cross Management Services, Inc.
David and Julia Uhlein Charitable Foundation Inc.
Dorothy Dean
Desktop Solutions, Inc.
Diane Pellegrin Fund of the Greater Milwaukee Foundation
Sandra Walther Duffy
Earth Tech
Five Twelve Group
Friebert, Finerty, & St. John, S.C.
Froedtert Hospital
Gilbane
Godfrey & Kahn SC
Goodwill Industries of Southeastern Wisconsin & Metro Chicago
Graef, Anhalt, Schloemer & Associates, Inc.
 Guaranty Bank, SSB
Eve Hall
Harley-Davidson Foundation
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When Mary Roberts and Carrie Leum co-founded Leum Roberts, Inc., a core belief of their business philosophy was to always give back to the community. That’s why the two women support the Women’s Fund of Greater Milwaukee by providing pro bono services. As their public relations agency grew, so did their commitment to the Women’s Fund. Now, the two have started building a fund to focus on giving women of all ages and abilities the chance to get a leg up in the business world.

Says Mary, “Carrie and I both know that we had some advantages in life that helped us, and our company, prosper. Now, we want to help other women flourish both personally and professionally.”

Carrie Leum
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Neil Albrecht
LESBIAN FUND DONOR

For LGBT activist Neil Albrecht, giving to the Lesbian Fund is about giving back to the community. Neil and his partner Paul Williams became donors just a few months after the Fund was founded.

“The lesbian community in Milwaukee has always been generous in its support of services and programs that benefit the entire city,” says Neil. “When I heard about the Lesbian Fund, I realized it is a constructive way to return support.”

The assistant director of the City of Milwaukee Election Commission, Neil shares his time and financial resources with causes close to his heart. He is the founding and former executive director of the Milwaukee LGBT Community Center. Neil is also a Big Brother in Big Brother Big Sisters of Milwaukee, and an organizer of the Challenge Party, a local event that raises funds annually to support local LGBT programs and services.

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