Annual Report
2018/2019
our mission and values

Impact Grants Chicago connects, engages and inspires women to improve our community by collectively funding $100,000 grants to Chicago nonprofits dedicated to addressing the challenges facing our city.

we value...

• connecting women for collective impact.
• offering our members an efficient and trusted philanthropic process.
• every woman having an equal voice in choosing our grantees.
• the integrity, commitment and collective knowledge of our members.
• providing our members the opportunity to gain firsthand knowledge of Chicago nonprofits.
• our role in raising the profiles of Chicago nonprofits.
Our second year of Impact Grants Chicago was a big success! We completed our 2018/19 grant cycle in May 2019 with 505 members and awarded $530,000 to eight impressive nonprofits in the city of Chicago. And in just two years, we have awarded $1,000,000 in grants to communities in Chicago.

Congratulations to our five 2019 $100,000 Impact Grant recipients: Center for Conflict Resolution, Facing Forward to End Homelessness, Garfield Park Conservatory Alliance, Growing Home, Inc., and Kaleidoscope and our three $10,000 Merit Grant recipients: Primo Center for Women and Children, Renaissance Social Services, and Umoja Student Development Corporation.

These inspiring organizations are working on compelling and effective solutions to address the impact of trauma, poverty, violence and homelessness on children and families in Chicago, and we are proud to support their work.

As members of Impact Grants Chicago, we are part of a philanthropic and powerful community of women. The number of our 2017/18 Founding Members who rejoined in 2018/19 demonstrates our members’ continued support of and belief in our mission. And with over 100 new members joining this year, it is clear our community is growing. Thanks to this support and to those members who chose to join at our Membership Plus level and above to provide additional funding for our operations, and our non-member donors and sponsors who also contributed to our operations, we remain in a strong fiscal position.

Impact Grants Chicago is an all-volunteer organization, and we depend on the commitment and hard work of our member volunteers to execute our programming. I would like to thank our Board of Directors for their unwavering commitment and generosity, and our Grant Review and Financial Review Committee Chairs for their dedicated leadership. During this 2018/19 grant cycle, over 250 members also served on committees and participated in our grant review and financial review process. And each member, no matter their level of involvement, had the opportunity to vote to select the grant recipients at our Grant Awards Celebration.

Sadly, we also lost an important member of our Impact Grants Chicago community, one of our Founding Members, who passed away in May 2019. Linda Havlin was a Grant Review Committee Co-Chair and a valued member of Impact Grants Chicago. To honor her memory, we have established the Linda J. Havlin Leadership Legacy Sponsorship Fund, which establishes member sponsorships for young women with leadership potential who would not otherwise have the financial ability to join Impact Grants Chicago.
Our Five $100,000 Impact Grant Recipients

The Center for Conflict Resolution’s mission is to work with individuals, communities, courts and other institutions to manage and resolve conflict.

The Impact Grant funded a portion of the new Juvenile Re-Entry Mediation Program, the first program to offer eligible Cook County Juvenile Temporary Detention Center (JTDC) residents free conflict training and an opportunity to participate in mediation with key individuals from their lives (parents, siblings, school officials, etc.) as they prepare to leave the JTDC.

Garfield Park Conservatory Alliance’s mission is to inspire, educate and provoke exploration through innovative programs and experiences in one of the nation’s largest and finest historic conservatories.

The Impact Grant funded a portion of the construction of a 16,500 sq. ft. organic urban farm in the Englewood neighborhood transforming a vacant, concrete lot into a productive, safe green space; yielding an additional 8,000 pounds of produce per year to be distributed within the Englewood community and providing more farm work to support the farm-based job training program.

The Impact Grant funded a portion of the Urban Roots Teen Docent Program, a year-round program located at the Garfield Park Conservatory, serving 10th-12th grade students from Al Raby High School. The program provides teens with comprehensive technical training for and employment as docents, taking a holistic approach to all aspects of the teen’s life including school performance, financial planning, college goals and life skills.
Kaleidoscope’s mission is “to empower children, youth, and families impacted by abuse and neglect to build resourcefulness, resiliency, and supportive relationships through innovative, individualized case management and clinical services. Their vision is that all children and youth have the opportunity to enjoy safe and healthy lives nurtured by responsive adults.

The Impact Grant funded a portion of the new Finding Families for Foster Children program, which will recruit, specially train using a unique, trauma-informed approach, and license 45 new therapeutic foster parents to provide high-quality case management, and clinical and foster care services, to at least 45 new young people with the most challenging issues.

Our Three $10,000 Merit Grant Recipients

Facing Forward to end homelessness

Facing Forward's mission is to end homelessness for individuals and families by offering hope, help and housing.

The Impact Grant funded a portion of the expansion of Facing Forward's education support programming by hiring a new full-time Education Advocate to include targeted education support for school-age children and their parents, creating opportunities for and addressing needs of both children and the adults in their lives, in order to promote academic success for school-age children who have been impacted by homelessness.
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We also want to extend our heartfelt thanks to all of our generous members who made gifts this year over and above their $1,000 membership donation. A majority of our members (321) joined at the Membership Plus level, which provides $100 to cover operating expenses, while 31 members joined at even higher levels to provide additional funding for operations. In addition, members sponsored the memberships of more than 40 women this year and provided generous in-kind donations of time, food and meeting spaces. Your support truly has allowed us to achieve our annual goals – we could not do it without you!
### IMPACT GRANTS CHICAGO

**Statements of Financial Position**

**August 31, 2019 and 2018**

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Based on Audited Financial Statements
## 2018-19 SUPPORT & REVENUE

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## 2018-19 EXPENSES

| Description                                                      | Percentage | Amount  |
|                                                                |            |         |
| Grants Awarded                                                  | 86%        | $530,000|
| Member Events and Other Program Expenses                       | 9%         | $58,446 |
| Processing and Professional Fees                               | 2%         | $15,464 |
| Administrative Support                                         | 1%         | $6,873  |
| Hospitality                                                    | 1%         | $1,796  |
| Marketing and Recruiting                                       | 1%         | $3,275  |
| **TOTAL EXPENSES**                                             |            | $615,854|

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