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Imagine Our Impact

Newsletter ~ August 2019



Focus Area Committees Begin Their Work After the Finance Committee Completes Their Initial Review.

Time to Sharpen Our Pencils!

Applicants for the grants have done their work; now it's time for us to do ours. Qualified non-profits submitted over 80 applications by the June 18 deadline went through an initial broad brush review by the Grants Committee, led by Michelle Fisher, to ensure that all major requirements were met and properly submitted. Next the applications were under review by the Finance Committee, led by its chair Toni Schemmel. Toni and her team of women with backgrounds in finance and/or non-profits have reviewed the grant applications with a specific emphasis on the financial documents relating to the organization and project, including income and loss statements, balance sheets and applicable tax returns.

"We are looking at several areas," explained Toni, "but we are primarily establishing whether the organization has provided enough evidence of sustainability and that it falls within our grant eligibility guidelines."

After the Finance Committee review, the applications are released to our Focus Area Committees (FAC's led by Amy Tupper) for overall project review and selection. This process takes place in August and September. In our first year of fundraising \$228,000 was raised and two significant grants of \$114,000 each will be awarded in November. On October 15th, the five non-profit grant finalists representing each focus area – Arts & Culture, Education, Environment & Recreation, and Wellness - will be announced! On November 3 at our annual celebration our members will vote for the two non-profits to receive the grants.

We pride ourselves by modeling Impact 100 SRQ after the very best. So, we fashioned our grant vetting process after Impact 100 Pensacola Bay, which is currently operating for 15 years now and has funded 98 grants totaling \$10,498,000 since 2004! Yep, we are big dreamers!

Contributed by: Karen Irvine, Founding Member

UPCOMING EVENTS

Member Social ~ Thursday, September 12th

Grant Finalists Announcement - Tuesday, October 15th
Annual Celebration and Grant Awards - Sunday, November 3rd



Having Fun (on the roof) at the June "Member Social" at Art Ovation Hotel in Downtown SRQ!

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More Fun at our July Member Social at Grand Cru Wine Bar!

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A Message from Impact 100 SRQ President, Jane Watt:

Many emotions come to mind every time I think about Impact 100 SRQ! Your dedication to making our community better is truly inspiring & I am grateful! We actively review grants or simply vote at the annual meeting, wanted to meet like-minded, strong women or be a part of transformational change by pooling resource making a difference.

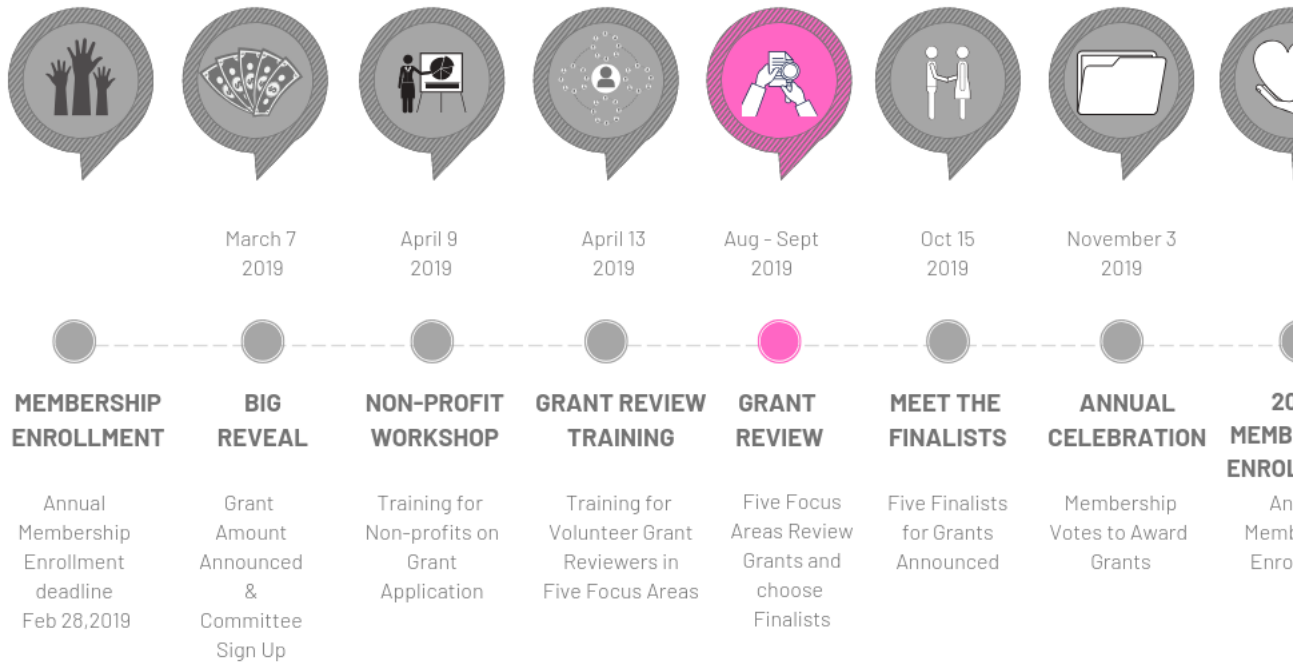
Our Grant Review Process is underway after receiving 84 applications by the June 15th deadline! The vetting process is a time to learn of the amazing non-profit. We have streamlined the review process to encourage member participation in any capacity! Thank you to everyone that signed up to review grant applications. This process is the heart of our organization and what sets us apart from other philanthropic organizations.

There are many more members working tirelessly behind the scenes to send emails and social media posts, arrange meet & greets, coordinate finances, data entry, sponsorship funds from Friends of Impact who believe in our mission, and plan the Annual Celebration where we will gather together to celebrate, vote, and award grants. Thank you to all our Members working behind the scenes for making this possible!

Remember, we are only as strong as our Members and as transformational as the non-profits that apply. Together we are changing how women approach Sarasota/Manatee counties in a positive way!

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2019 Timeline for Impact 100 SRQ



Introducing New Member Rose Dalsandro and IMPACT CARES



Rose Dalsandro, 2020 Impact 100 SRQ Member and our launch of "Impact Cares"

IMPACT CARES is the vision of our engaged and engaging president, Jane Watt. As an arm of Membership Engagement we hope to provide a totally Member focused resource and ideally we would like to reach Members who may need an extra measure of support during difficult times. These universal life experiences - loss, illness, surgery – may often be ameliorated. This is especially true in our community where so many Members are far away from family and old friends. It's important to know that people here *do* care and may be able to help. Adhere to celebrate you and your successes! Are you getting married? Are you planning your daughter's wedding (you'll definitely need at least an "attagirl" if not a cocktail)? Did you get a business experiencing great success? I'm not sure we know what the limits of this initiative will be or where it will take us – but I'm very excited to be a part of it. As a retired State Farm helping my clients. There is no better feeling! IMPACT CARES came along at just the right time.

So please let us hear from you! Our email connect should be up and running soon – check in with us at ImpactCares@impact100SRQ.org

Rose Dalsandro



There is still time for all Members to register for the Impact 100 Global Conference in Pensacola, FL. For more information, go to:
<http://www.impact100global.org/the-2019-conference/>

"The conference is an opportunity to meet and interact with women in IMPACT 100 organizations from country and abroad – those that are well-established and those that are just getting started. We will explore of this unique philanthropy model." Wendy Steele, Founder

Once you have registered for the event, email Secretary@Impact100SRQ.org. You will be placed on a list of attendees from our chapter, so we can arrange time together at the conference.

BECOME A CORPORATE SUPPORTER OR "FRIEND OF IMPACT"

Your HELP is needed...With 100% of our Member's contributed funds going towards our grants, we are seeking engagement from our community to help contribute to our costs. Costs to be covered include insurance, website design, printing, our annual meeting, and special events. If you are a business owner or know any business owners that we please send me the info and I will reach out to them! There are so many ways to support...underwriting a specific event or advertising opportunity, sharing your meeting space, you feel would help us in our mission!

Please feel free to call Jamie directly at [941-961-3470](tel:941-961-3470). She can also be reached by email at CommunityEngagement@impact100SRQ.org.

Jamie Black

Community Engagement Director

Donations can be made online at www.impact100SRQ.org, or you can mail a check to Impact 100 SRQ, P.O. Box 49887, Sarasota, FL 34230.




The mission of Impact 100 Council is to encourage collaboration and sharing of best practices among Impact 100 chapters for continued growth and sustainability of Impact 100 around the world. We will create world-class, strategic philanthropy to transform communities with significant grants while we equip individuals to become effective philanthropists and amplify their success for positive change.


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Have questions in any of these areas?

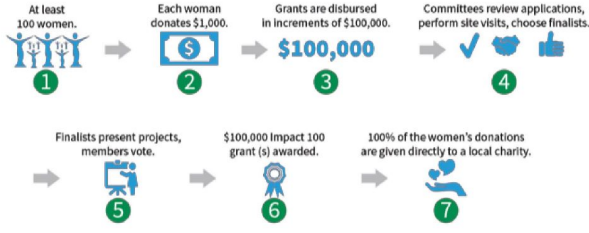
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Our Mission

To empower women to collectively give transformational grants to non-profits in Sarasota & Manatee Counties.



Impact 100 SRQ has no paid employees or staff, so 100% of each member's annual contribution of \$1,000 is awarded to non-profit organizations in grants of \$100,000 or more. Operational costs are kept to a minimum and funded voluntarily by members and corporate supporters. Please consider giving at the 110% level.

Become a member of Impact 100 SRQ! Join Now for 2020!

Let's not lose any momentum, budget now for 2020 membership!

Now is the time to start planning for next year's 2019/2020 membership. We have a payment plan option available, split your membership fees into monthly installments. To set up your payment plan for 2019/2020 Impact 100 SRQ membership, contact Andrea McHenry by email at Treasurer@impact100SRQ.org or by phone (941) 400-115

Stay connected and engaged!

Remember, word-of-mouth is the best way to inform our community about Impact 100 SRQ.

If you have a friend or colleague who is interested in joining us, please contact Brigitte Suttmitter by email at MembershipRecruiting@impact100SRQ.org or by phone (941) 400-115

Are you on Facebook? Are you a Founding Member of Impact 100 SRQ? If you answered YES to both of these questions, please email: Marketing@Impact100SRQ.org your Facebook URL or name and request to be added to our Impact 100 SRQ Members Only Page!
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