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NEWSLETTER ~ MARCH 2021

WE MADE IT!



On MARCH 9, 2021 at the **BIG REVEAL** event at Nathan Benderson Park, we were blessed to announce the total grant gifting amount in our community for 2021.

In the beautiful light of an amazing Florida sunset, surrounded by many Impact100 SRQ members and supporters, Impact100 SRQ President, Jane Watt, spoke to our mission of transforming our communities and how we persevered through a challenging year. In addition, our 5 grant recipients for the 2019 and 2020 giving years spoke about how our collective grants helped shape their programs and make an impact in the community. These speeches led up to the most anticipated announcement of the night...our 2021 membership total and available grant dollars at \$404,000!

If you missed the event you can watch the "live" feed and see photos here:

[LIVE FEED](#) [PICTURES](#)



A WARM WELCOME

Dear Impact100 SRQ members and friends,

Welcome to our first 2021 quarterly Impact100 SRQ Newsletter, a bulletin to members and friends containing must-know news, information, and events pertaining to

We want to express our thanks to our valued Impact100 SRQ members, whose passion enables our mission to support local nonprofits to really make a difference.

We are having a very strong start to the 2021 giving year with a unified power of 404 women!

We can't thank our members and donors enough for their support and confidence in our mission, and we welcome our whooping 404 members.

Grant applications are now being accepted from our local nonprofits. Please encourage **Nonprofit organizations** in Sarasota and Manatee Counties to apply for grant funding by April 28, 2021.

We will soon begin the process of choosing the grant recipients for 2021 and you can be part of it: All members are invited to join one of our **Focus Area Committees** (FACs) which review and evaluate grant applications. Below you will find detailed information about the different committees, including times. Join a committee today and enrich your experience with Impact100 SRQ.

If you are looking for other **volunteer opportunities**, just let us know about your knowledge or expertise in any specific area as we often call upon our members for their professional advice. Learn about our different workgroups below and meet our new Volunteer Coordinator, Jamie Bode.

Impact100 SRQ is planning to host a number of **events**, including Membership Monday and Wake-up Wednesday. You can view some of our upcoming events below and in our online calendar at www.impact100srq.org.

We are really looking forward to seeing you at our next meeting or event!

To ensure you stay current on everything, please be sure your **member information** is up-to-date in our system. ([Click here](#))

Take care and be safe,



FOCUS AREA COMMITTEES (FAC)

YOU

are invited to join one of our Focus Area Committees and participate in our grant application review process.

Participating on a Focus Area Committee is the heart of our mission and what sets Impact100 SRQ apart from other philanthropic organizations. It is one of the most meaningful ways to participate in IMPACT100 SRQ. As a FAC participant you will learn about the needs in our community and about our grants process.

All members shall refrain from attempting to gain an unfair advantage for any particular grant applicant, including providing any grant application guidance other than what is available on our website. All Focus Area Committee members agree to our Conflict of Interest Policy and complete a disclosure form. If a member serves on the Board, is an employee, or has a significant relationship with a nonprofit whose grant is being reviewed by one of our focus committees, we will ask the member to serve on a different committee.

Every year we create one committee for each of our five focus areas:



Arts & Culture

The Arts & Culture Focus Area Committee will be meeting on



Education

The Education Focus Area Committee will be meeting on

Tuesdays, 8:00 - 9:30 am



Environment & Recreation

The Environment & Recreation Focus Area Committee will be meeting on

Wednesdays, 6:00 - 7:30 pm



Family

The Family Focus Area Committee will be meeting on

Thursdays, 6:45 - 8:15 pm



Health & Wellness

The Health & Wellness Focus Area Committee will be meeting on

Fridays, 9:00 - 10:30 am

These committees perform in depth reviews of grant applications, conduct site visits, and select finalists to be voted on by our entire membership in November.

You may choose a FAC to serve on based on the area that resonates most with you or by the convenience of the FAC meeting time.

FocusArea@impact100srq.org

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Throughout 2021, our quarterly newsletters will introduce you to some of the members of Impact100 SRQ that have volunteered their time to help out on various Workgroups and Committees.

Since Impact100 SRQ is a 100% volunteer-run organization, we encourage our members to volunteer in some capacity. Being involved connects you to others and brings happiness, fun and fulfillment to your life.

We would like to send a special thanks out to all of our members that volunteer their time to help Impact100 SRQ and our community, and we hope you are inspired by their messages.

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I joined Impact100 in January 2020 and signed up to be part of Focus Area Committee for the Environment. It was a great learning experience and I really enjoyed the site visits in particular. This year I also decided to join FACES where I get to talk to new members and tell them what a fun experience FAC was.

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Eva Treffert





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This is my second year as an Impact100 SRQ member. I found the experience of being on an FAC last year so very rewarding that I wanted to get even more involved this year. Learning about the good works being done by non-profits in our community, and the visions they have for impactful initiatives, was both interesting and inspiring. And getting to know more of the incredible women in our community is wonderful too!

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Kathy Paulsen





Currently I am working with the Ambassador group, FACES team and was FAC chair of the Health and Wellness committee for the 2020 giving year. I have dearly enjoyed meeting all of these great women and feel so inspired by each and everyone of them. And words can not adequately express how rewarding it is to get the opportunity to learn and visit our area non-profits! Can't wait to start our new FAC group process again!



Kay Stomp



my attorney suggested Impact100SRQ to meet new friends while helping the community. After joining the Family FAC last year, I learned in depth how the selection process works and how much need exists in Manatee and Sarasota counties. That inspired me to assist additional organizations personally and use my financial background to help develop training and become a FAC CIRC leader this year.



Judy Love



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I joined Impact100 SRQ in 2020. Last year I served on the CIRC Committee and the Environmental FAC. I have enjoyed meeting other members and seeing what a difference a dedicated group of women can make in our community. I am looking forward to meeting more people though Impact 100 SRQ in 2021.



Laura Paolercio



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I joined Impact100 SRQ in February 2020. I have enjoyed participating on the CIRC workgroup. It has been rewarding to work to improve the grant applicant experience, and to enable Impact100 to better and more consistently assess our applicants' financials. My fellow team members have been terrific, as has been Kim Fierst, our team leader.



Maria Mandler



If you would like to get involved and gain some great experience, find out about your opportunities by clicking here.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

And please reach out to our Volunteer Coordinator, Jamie Bode

moved to Sarasota and became a member in 2020.

She got immediately involved and met a lot of new people. She participated in CIRC and the Education Focus Area Committee, where she enjoyed getting the big picture of our grant process.

Please reach out to Jamie, if you would like to get involved:

Volunteer@impact100srq.org



EVENT CALENDAR

Thank you all for your support and patience as we continue to navigate challenges in this new normal. We will continue to have both, **in-person** and **virtual** activities.

Mark your calendars for the following events and please

STAY TUNED!

[March 27, 2021](#)

Shop with Impact

J. McLaughlin

SIP, SHOP & CELEBRATE SPRING

In celebration of Women's History Month and spotlighting our local community members, join us in support of Impact100 SRQ

SATURDAY, MARCH 27
11AM - 4PM

J. McLAUGHLIN
515 Bay Isles Pkwy | Longboat Key, FL

HOW TO SHOP:
Visit us in store with social distancing, or shop virtually. Enjoy curbside pickup, local delivery, and complimentary shipping. Call or email our Store Manager, Melanie, to order: 941.960.20712, stflongboatkey@jmclaughlin.com

15% OF SALES will benefit
Impact100 SRQ



[Every 2nd Saturday of the month](#)

Walk with Jane & Andrea on Siesta Key, 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Meet at the green Lifeguard house

[April 28, 2021](#)

Grant Application closes

[May 15, 2021](#)

FAC Member training

[May 17-21, 2021](#)

FAC Training Meetings

[May 24th - September 17th, 2021](#)

Grant Review Process

[June 26, 2021](#)

[September 22, 2021](#)

Meet the Finalist

[November 7, 2021](#)

Annual Celebration

NEWS

We are in the [NEWS!](#)



The Big Reveal

[Herald Tribune](#)

[Suncoast Post](#)



The Winner will be announced in our April Newsflash!



Our grant recipients

Find out more by clicking below and please subscribe to the **Impact100 SRQ YOUTUBE CHANNEL** in order to stay in the loop...



2019 Grant Recipients



2020 Grant Recipients



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we are not alone!

20 years ago, Impact100 was founded by Wendy Steele in response to feeling as though women's roles in philanthropy needed a new way to be expanded and encouraged. Wendy launched the organization with the goal of empowering women to see themselves as activists through utilizing the collective giving model and making an impact within their communities.

With over **60 chapters** across the United States and beyond, our chapters are living, breathing examples of the Impact100 model successfully at work.



[find out more](#)



"LINGO"

SRQ

Sarasota ;-)

Ambassador

A "buddy" to welcome & onboard new members into our Impact100 SRQ family

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Big Reveal - Annual announcement & celebration of our total membership and available grant dollar to be given to nonprofits in our community

Focus Area Committee: Arts & Culture, Education, Environment & Recreation,
Family, Health & Wellness

FACES

Focus Area Committee Engagement Squad

CIRC

Community Investment Review Committee

Member Monday

Virtual Member Gatherings (Zoom call)
that take place the 3rd Monday of every month

Each One * Reach One

Every current member is encouraged to recruit a new member (imagine our
growth potential!)

Fun +1

An event where every current member is encouraged to bring a non-member
guest

K.I.S.S.

Keep Impact Self Sustaining

Impact Cares

Member focused resource and communication network

MTF

Meet the Finalists - 5 finalists – 1 from each of our 5 Focus Area Committees

AC

Annual Celebration - every member has one vote on what grants will be funded

Impact100 SRQ is:

egalitarian

Each member has an equal vote in the final selection of grantees

rigorous

Robust evaluation process conducted by a team of our members

transparent

100% of membership dollars goes to fund grants to our community nonprofits

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