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## NEWSLETTER ~ OCTOBER 2020

### COUNTDOWN TO ANNOUNCING OUR 3 GRANT RECIPIENTS

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**SAVE THE DATES**

**MEET THE FINALISTS**

**10:00 a.m.**

All site visits have been completed by our Focus Area Committees, in person as well as virtual, and our site visit teams have presented their reports to their committees.

Each  
Focus Area Committee

**ARTS & CULTURE - EDUCATION - ENVIRONMENT & RECREATION - FAMILY - HEALTH & WELLNESS**



has selected a finalist to be announced to the public on October 14th via press release and across all of our media platforms.

Our members will have the opportunity to view the nonprofit finalist presentations and cast their electronic ballot between October 26 – October 30.

The nonprofit presentations will be broadcast on Nov. 1 at 5 pm and the three grant recipients will be announced immediately following

## **2020 ANNUAL MEETING AND GRANT AWARDS CELEBRATION**

**November 1st, 2020**

**5:00 p.m.**

### **2020 MEMBERS:**

This year voting for Impact100 SRQ 2020 Grant Recipients will be completed via an electronic ballot.

The electronic ballot will be sent to you [at 6AM on Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>](#).  
You will have [until 11PM on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>](#) to return your ballot. (114 hours).

It is not necessary to complete your vote in one sitting. You will have access via the link in your personal email until the vote closes [on October 30<sup>th</sup> at 11pm](#).

As you are voting, should you need more information or assistance with the voting process, you will be able to call the Impact100 SRQ information line at [941-312-1589](tel:941-312-1589) and leave a message.

A volunteer will return your call promptly.

**Make your vote count!**

**Keep an eye on your email inbox for your electronic ballot early [on October 26<sup>th</sup>](#).**



## MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT



2020 has touched each of us in ways we never expected.

A global pandemic turned our lives and our world upside down.

Through it all, I'm proud to say, Impact women continued to move forward, with courage and compassion, to continue our mission and embrace our challenges head on.

We have learned new ways to make valuable personal connections and empowered each other with our common goals and desire to make a difference. And empowered you were. You showed up to get the job done. On screens, on phones, and though rarely, even masked in-person. So far in this 2020 giving year, we have had more than 263 member volunteers helping to carry out our mission. That is

obstacles with grace and determination and in the process, we have grown as individuals, leaders and as a Chapter.

At our Annual Celebration in less than 30 days, we will be awarding \$342,000 to our community when it is needed more than ever.

Three local nonprofits will receive a \$114,000 grant because of each of you. They have been asked to “dream big” and YOU will be making their dream a reality.

Thank you for making this possible, for your commitment to our mission and for showing the world the transformational impact women can accomplish when they come together and give as one.

Yours,  
Jane Gill Watt

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## WOMEN OF INFLUENCE

It is with great honor that we have been asked to join the series of

### **Meet 2020's Women of Influence**

**Authenticity. Leadership. Empathy. Success.**

**They know who they are and are passionate about what they do.**

published by the Sarasota Magazine.



# NOVELTIES

We all love fun novelty items and we all love Impact100 SRQ!  
 So what better way to show our spirit by advertising in our day to day lives?

We offer now a comfortable mask and  
 a variety of handmade bracelets with the lucky seastar



Our Novelties store is now online on our website and items can be purchased at



4037 Clark Rd.

Sarasota, FL 34233

941-876-5059

info@sotesarasota.com

At Salt of the Earth, please pay by cash or check, or use Zelle to Treasurer@impact100srq.org

[shop](#)

# MEMBERSHIP ENGAGEMENT SOCIAL CALENDAR



We are so delighted to receive such a great response to our virtual events and outdoor activities. Thank you All for your ongoing trust and support. Please mark your calendar for the following events:

**October 5th**

(First Monday) **Bayfront Walk** with Rose **7:30-8:30 a.m.**  
Meet at Ringling & Bayfront Park

**October 7th**

(First Wednesday) **Lawn Chair Coffee Hour** with Michelle **8:00-9:00 a.m.**  
Meet at Westfield Sarasota Square (Sear's Parking Lot)

**October 10th**

(Second Saturday) **Siesta Beach Walk** with Jane & Andrea **8:00-9:00 a.m.**  
Meet by Blue Life Guard Chair

**October 16th**

(Third Friday) **Celery Field Walk** with Janey **4:00-5:00 p.m.**  
Meet at Visitors Center

**October 19th**

**MEMBERSHIP MONDAY**

**6:00 p.m.**

Be on the lookout for your email invitation.

**October 25th**

(Last Sunday) **Celery Field Walk** with Kay **8:30-9:30 a.m.**  
Meet at Visitors Center

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## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

One of the best aspects of our collective giving model is the opportunity to get more involved.



## **BECOME A MEMBER**

Donate and become a member and meet other giving women.

Join Impact100 SRQ today!

[sign up](#)



## **VOLUNTEER**

Thank you so much for joining Impact100 SRQ. If you would like to get further information on our volunteer opportunities, please check out the link below. It is totally up to you, how much time you would like to offer, just pick one of the options and contact us. We would love to get to know you better and guide you through these options. Volunteering can be one off, regular, or recurring, and it is a great way to get close to the action as well as being helpful and making purposeful use of free time.

Our workgroups, i.e. offer a lot of different ways to share your expertise.

[Click here to learn about volunteer opportunities!](#)

[opportunities](#)



## **DONATIONS**

Your donation makes in impact!

Support Impact100 SRQ with a donation today!

[IMPACT100 SRQ Wishlist](#)



## SUPPORT

Do you shop on AmazonSmile?

You shop....they give!

Amazon donates 0.5 % of the price of eligible purchases to IMPACT100 SRQ, if you select our organization.

Next time you shop at AMAZON, kindly consider selecting "Impact 100 SRQ" as your charity of choice.

Or simply click on the button below and enter

**IMPACT 100 SRQ Inc.**

**Go to [amazon.smile](https://www.amazon.com/smile)**

THANK YOU for joining or supporting the



FAMILY

## **A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!**

### **FAC Director**

Kim Fierst

### **FAC Chair**

Nancy Bobbitt, Susan Henderson, Karen Orr, Kay Stump

### **FAC Coordinator**

Marie Baumann

### **Virtual FAC Workgroup**

Marie Baumann, Julie Brum, Rosmary McDermott, Katie Schwabach, Amy Weinberger

### **FAC Site Visit Leader**

Lisa Beckstein, Patti Bosco, Julie Brum

Jackie Buckler, Tami Byler, Tina Darling, Tiffany Dodd, Amy Drake, Darlene Gamble, Ali Hoddinott,

Kelly Howard, Terry Lewandowski, Gail Lisi, Jill Lyons, Teresa Martin,

Rosemary McDermott, Andrea McHenry, Jill McMullen, Patty Meringer

Ausma Mursch, Sharon O'Leary-Johnson, Laura Paolercio, Diane Ragsdale,

**Zoom Site Visit Technical Support**  
Julie Brum, Maria Mandler, Kathy Paulsen, Jane Watt

## MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



"Dancing Under the Stars": Lisa, Graham, Carter & Bruce Beckstein

### LISA BECKSTEIN

#### **Tell us about yourself:**

I am a 4<sup>th</sup> generation Floridian from Mount Dora. I have lived as far north as Gainesville, where I met my husband Bruce, Go Gators! I enjoyed a number of years in advertising, marketing, and database analysis before "retiring" to Sarasota in 2000 when I had my identical twin boys Graham and Carter. Since then I have focused on my family and volunteer work. My family loves to travel, especially to places where we can either scuba dive or get away from the Florida heat.

#### **Why did you decide to join Impact100 SRQ?**

I absolutely love the concept of Impact100. There are so many amazing women in this community, and Impact100 combines their talents and treasurers to truly make a difference in our community. A few years ago I heard a speaker say how women are so busy now that they struggle to have social interactions outside the home AND help their community, so the key is providing them a chance to do both at the same time. That's Impact100 in a nutshell!

#### **How are you involved in Impact100 SRQ?**

Depends what months you ask me that. Another thing I love about the Impact100 concept, you can be as little or as much involved as you want. Last year I had a demanding role in another local nonprofit, so I only did an FAC, which was fantastic and I met many wonderful women. Then, when I had more time to give this

you have not volunteered yet to help in the many areas needed to run an all-volunteer group like this, I highly recommend it, you won't be sorry.

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## IMPACT100 SRQ IN THE LOCAL NEWS



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# EQUALITEA

Together with

SWELL and our local Girl Scout Council,

many women of IMPACT100 SRQ celebrated

the 100th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment - Woman's right to vote-

They all shared a cup of Inspiration, Love, Wisdom and Courage in honor of this historic accomplishment!

[read more](#)



Congratulations to our founding member,

**KELLY SABA**

for this year's Sobi Cares Community Service Award! In recognition of her efforts, Kelly was featured at this month's Sobi Care spotlight on their intranet and social media channels in order to highlight Sobi employees who volunteer and/or support nonprofits or charitable causes.

**Thank you for your story, Kelly!**



Impact100 makes a difference in our local community by funding high-impact grants that support arts & culture, education, health & wellness, and many other worthy initiatives.

Being involved has taught me that it is within all of our power to create meaningful change. Our donations, time and passion are having an impact that is greater than I ever dreamed possible.

**Kelly Saba**  
*Field Reimbursement Senior Manager, Sobi North America*



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women giving together  
EST. 2016  
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### Sobi Cares Spotlight: Kelly Saba

This month we are featuring Kelly Saba, a Field Reimbursement Senior Manager for Sobi North America. Kelly is based in Sarasota, FL and joined Sobi a year and a half ago. If you would like to share about an organization you are passionate about, email Devika Narayan.



#### Tell us a bit about the nonprofit you support and what you do.

I am a Founding Member and an integral part of the Membership Committee Board for Impact100's Sarasota Chapter. Impact100 SRQ is a women-led organization that encourages at least 100 women to donate \$1,000 each, and then pools those resources into one large grant to be awarded to deserving nonprofits in the Sarasota and Manatee counties across five broad focus areas: Arts & Culture, Education, Environment, Preservation & Recreation, Family and Health & Wellness.



In our 2019 founding year, Impact 100 SRQ raised \$228,000 and awarded two transformational grants of \$114,000 each to The Haven and Mothers Helping Mothers:

- **The Haven** offers programs and services for adults and children with disabilities to enhance quality of life by encouraging independence, championing inclusion, and advocating for their individual rights. The grant Impact100 SRQ provided will fund the expansion of The Haven's preschool facility to accommodate even more children.
- **Mothers Helping Mothers** provides necessities such as clothing and baby items free of charge to families in need in the Sarasota and surrounding counties. The grant we provided will go toward the purchase of the building they are currently leasing.

In 2020, Impact 100 SRQ raised \$342,000 which will award three transformational grants of \$114,000 to three Sarasota-Manatee nonprofits this November. Area nonprofits are currently submitting their projects and programs, and our Impact this year is more important than ever since COVID-19 has created greater needs than we ever imagined in our community.

#### What inspired you to get involved?



I was inspired to join Impact100 SRQ because it shows how one person can truly make meaningful change. By sharing my passion and love for people, being an active member of Impact100 SRQ is empowering me to make a difference in my community.

Being a Founding Member has connected me directly with the true needs of our community, and we are blazing the philanthropic trail for generations of women to come. Formulating the recruiting process has allowed me to use my passion and giving heart to bring hundreds of women together, making us the largest second-year chapter in the world. Recruiting new members is easy for me because I believe in the power of collective giving. Sharing my skills with this 100% volunteer organization fulfills my desire to make a positive difference.

Supporting Impact100 SRQ has also given me a clear understanding of the power of collective giving. It has opened my eyes to the many different nonprofits and needs in my community. It has shown me that it is within my power to create change. My donation, time and passion are having an impact that is greater than I ever dreamed possible.

#### How can others get involved?

Check and see if there's an Impact100 chapter in your area! If not, you can start your own chapter in your area by clicking [here](#). Anyone can also donate to my local chapter by clicking [here](#).

If you are interested in supporting Impact100 SRQ, visit <https://impact100srq.org/>.



The GIVE BACK EVENT at Southern Steer Butcher in September was very successful. 20% of their profits were donated when Impact100 SRQ, The Haven or Mothers helping Mothers was mentioned at checkout. 10% went to Impact100 SRQ, 5% to The Haven, and 5% to Mothers Helping Mothers.

**Thank you for your support,  
SOUTHERN STEER BUTCHER!**



## RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP

**Calling all 2020 Impact100 SRQ Members!**  
**Renew your membership for the 2021 membership year by starting to make payments now!**

Sample Payment Schedules:

8 easy payments of \$125 starting July 1<sup>st</sup> to become a  
 100% member by February 1<sup>st</sup>

8 easy payments of \$137.50 starting July 1<sup>st</sup> to become a  
 110% member by February 1<sup>st</sup>

Payments can be made online through our website,  
[www.impact100SRQ.org](http://www.impact100SRQ.org)

or by mailing a check to:

Impact100 SRQ  
 P.O. Box 49887  
 Sarasota FL 34230

Contact [Treasurer@impact100SRQ.org](mailto:Treasurer@impact100SRQ.org) to renew using Zelle.

All memberships must be paid in full by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Please note there is a \$30 convenience fee for renewing online to cover the credit card fees so that the full \$1000 goes towards grants being awarded during the membership year.

There are many sponsorship opportunities, please contact [CommunityEngagement@impact100SRQ.org](mailto:CommunityEngagement@impact100SRQ.org) or [Treasury@impact100SRQ.org](mailto:Treasury@impact100SRQ.org) for more information.

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## CONNECT WITH US

Are you on FACEBOOK? Are you a member of IMPACT100 SRQ?

If you answered YES to both of these questions, please email: [Secretary@impact100SRQ.org](mailto:Secretary@impact100SRQ.org) and include your Facebook URL or name

and request to be added to our Impact100 SRQ Members Only Page!

Or click: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/impact100SRQ/>

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