
In 2017, 18 nonprofit agencies in all three Delaware counties received a total of $190,046 for projects that help women and girls avoid abuse and poverty, improve their physical and mental health, gain financial independence, and address many other social issues.

Since 1993, the fund has awarded over $2.5 million in grants to hundreds of nonprofit programs statewide. Grant applications are due in January, and the awards are announced in May. The application is available online beginning in December each year. Those who have been fortunate in their lives and livelihoods are helping women and girls overcome the many barriers that may stand in their way to success. Through the power of collective giving, their unique network aims to improve the worth and potential of women and girls in Delaware by funding critical projects that meet their needs - from housing to healthcare, from career training to emergency food programs.

The Fund for Women is an endowment held at the Delaware Community Foundation. The interest from this endowment is given in grants to women’s and girls’ programs in Delaware each year. While they are proud of the many ways in which they have supported women and girls in Delaware for almost 25 years, the need remains strong. They can only fund about 15 percent of the grant requests each year.

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