

Local women's giving group exceeds \$100,000 in community grants

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NEW HANOVER COUNTY -- The Women's Impact Network of New Hanover County (WIN) presented The Carousel Center (TCC) with a \$30,500 grant at its 2015 award luncheon.

"This grant will enable us to extend our services further into the community as we serve more children who have suffered physical or sexual abuse," said Amy Feath, executive director of TCC as she accepted the grant.

According to WIN President Syble Solomon, the women's giving group has contributed more than \$100,000 in local grants in its four-year history. Previous WIN grants have been given to the Cape Fear Guardian Ad Litem Association, Dreams of Wilmington and Wilmington Health Access for Teens.

About WIN

The WIN is designed to maximize women's leadership in philanthropy by engaging and educating its membership, increasing charitable contributions and strengthening the New Hanover County community through the impact of collective giving.

Members of the giving circle select an annual focus area, pool financial contributions of \$600 each, call for grant requests from local nonprofits and then vote and award an annual grant to the nonprofit selected. The focus for the past two years has been health and wellness.

WIN was founded four years ago and began with 40 members. The Network has quickly grown to more than seventy women philanthropists. It is open to all women. "WIN members are from all walks of life," said Solomon. "The diversity of backgrounds, thoughts and contributions are strong assets to WIN and our community." WIN is supported by the North Carolina Community Foundation (NCCF).

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For information about joining WIN or the 2016 grants process, contact NCCF Regional Associate Angie Brewer at abrewer@nccommunityfoundation.org or call 910-202-6727 or visit the WIN page at nccommunityfoundation.org.

About NCCF

The NCCF is the single statewide community foundation serving North Carolina and has made \$101 million in grants since its inception in 1988. With more than \$237 million in assets, NCCF sustains 1,200 endowments established to provide long-term support of a broad range of community needs, nonprofit organizations, institutions and scholarships. The NCCF partners with 60 affiliate foundations and nine local women's giving networks to provide local resource allocation and community assistance in 67 counties across the state. An important component of NCCF's mission is to ensure that rural philanthropy has a voice at local, regional and national levels. For more information, visit nccommunityfoundation.org, like us on [Facebook](#) and follow on [LinkedIn](#) and [Twitter](#) @NCCF.

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