



Maryahna,
an educational grant
recipient studying
Biomedical Engineering



Full STEAMH Ahead Summer Workshops at
Corning Community College encourage
girls to explore science, technology,
engineering, art, health, and math



HER Academy cohort completes their
training in home maintenance and repair

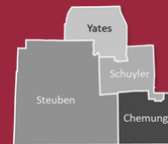


Special Olympics team at the Dansville
Stampede



impact statement 2025

The Fund for Women of the Southern Tier, Inc.
exists to help girls and women
achieve economic self-sufficiency
and realize life goals in Chemung, Schuyler,
Steuben and Yates counties in New York.



President's Message



Dear Friends,

The Fund for Women exists because we believe that when girls and women are supported and given opportunities, they CAN achieve economic self-sufficiency and realize their life goals. **Every step forward we take is powered by your care and generosity.**

Because of you, we addressed real and urgent barriers facing girls and women across our four-county region through both individual grants and funding programs led by trusted nonprofit partners. **Your support gave local girls and women the tools to take control of their life paths by expanding access to essential feminine hygiene products, removing financial obstacles for women seeking cancer treatment, helping families facing diaper insecurity, and increasing post-secondary educational opportunities for high school girls.**

Your trust also allowed us to launch a new health and wellness endowment, strengthening the Fund for Women by **ensuring long-term sustainability, sharpening our focus, and directing even more resources where they matter most.** When you give, you are not just making a donation; you are placing confidence in a mission-driven, all-volunteer board committed to thoughtful, accountable stewardship.

To our untiring board members, committee members, event supporters, and advocates, **your time and dedication are the heartbeat of this organization.** You bring our mission to life and honor the trust our donors place in us every day.

What began in 2009 around a kitchen table has grown into a powerful force for change sustained by community philanthropy and **by people like you who believe in the impact of collective action.**

On behalf of the Board of Directors and everyone whose life you've touched, **THANK YOU for believing in this mission and for making a meaningful impact possible.**

With sincere appreciation,

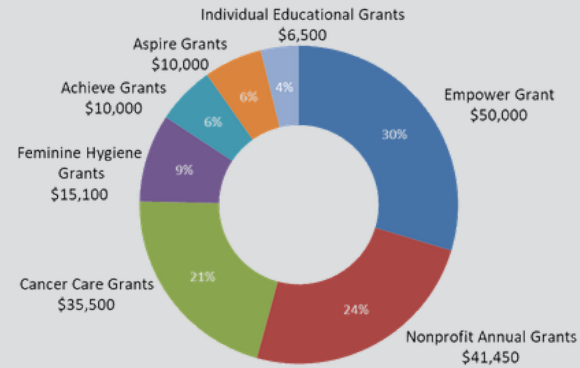
Sabeen Mukhtar
President, Board of Directors,
Fund for Women



Total Funds Distributed



\$168,550



Total Individual Grants



\$62,000



Individual awards given to support:

- Continuing education awards and scholarships through the FFW annual grants cycle
- Expenses related to cancer treatment through Cancer Care grants

"This grant didn't just help me attend college. It gave me the chance to grow, learn, and pursue goals I once thought were out of reach. I'm truly grateful to the Fund for Women for investing in my future."

- Maryahna, educational grant recipient

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2025 Grants - Investing in Our Community

Total Non-Profit Grants

 **\$106,550**

FFW annual grants cycle Non-Profit and Feminine Hygiene grants awarded to:

- 171 Cedar Arts Center
- Amplify Equity
- Arnot Health Foundation
- Catholic Charities Steuben/Livingston
- Chemung County Habitat for Humanity
- Community Career Development Council
- Corning Community Food Pantry
- Family Service Society
- Friendship SDA Church Food Pantry
- Corning Community College Foundation
- His Haven
- Horseheads Family Resource Center
- Painted Post Food Pantry
- Pro Action of Steuben and Yates, Inc.
- Safe Harbors of the Finger Lakes, Inc.
- Southeast Steuben County Habitat
- Special Olympics New York
- The Friends of the Addison Youth Center
- The Living Well
- The Potter's Hands Foundation, Inc.
- The Regional Science and Discovery Center
- The Salvation Army, Chemung County
- Twin Tiers Baby Bank (1st Year Empower Grant)
- Wings of Eagles Discovery Center


"Because of the classes and one-on-one coaching at the Potter's Hands Foundation, I learned how to speak up for myself ... something I didn't think I was supposed to do and definitely didn't know how to do. Also, I learned that it is okay to say no—and that I don't have to apologize for thinking differently or believing something that others don't understand. It helped me realize that my voice matters."

"The NICU is the last place any mom plans to end up in. Even if they packed a bag for the hospital for the baby's arrival, it almost certainly didn't contain anything for transporting breast milk back and forth from home to the hospital. Giving cooler bags away just takes one less thing off an already stressed new mom's plate...and many would not have the financial resources to do so."

"The Fund for Women of the Southern Tier has been a terrific partner for Special Olympics NY, allowing us to ensure girls and women with intellectual disabilities have access to opportunities in sports that allow them to prioritize their health and wellness. With the Fund's support, we are impacting the quality of life for a population that is often overlooked and underserved."

Made Possible by Your Support

Total Funds Raised

 **\$221,213**

Inspire Annual Fundraising Dinner
\$119,054

FLXGives and all other contributions
\$56,829

Annual Appeal
\$31,596

Spring Appeal
\$13,734

Total Operating Expenses

 **\$71,379**

Inspire Event Expense
\$39,509

Operations/ Administration*
\$31,870

*Operations expense includes legal, insurance, IT, marketing, printing & mailing, admin support and general event costs.

2025 FFW Endowment

@ The Community Foundation of
Elmira-Corning and the Finger Lakes

Beginning Endowment Balance



\$1,418,813

Inflows \$386,081

- Contributions from FFW
- Contributions from FFW fundraising made directly to Community Foundation
- Investment income, net of fees

Outflows \$123,073

- Grants awarded
- Miscellaneous administrative fees

Market Change \$194,618

Net change \$457,626

Ending Endowment Balance



\$1,876,439

For more information about volunteering, donating, or getting more involved with the Fund for Women, please visit www.ffwst.org

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