WFA Grant History

The Women’s Foundation of Arkansas began in 1998 as a project of the “Top 100 Women of Arkansas” and was a designated fund with the Arkansas Community Foundation. In its first year, WFA’s founders contributed $100,000 to establish the Women’s Foundation as an enduring resource for all Arkansas women and girls. Grants from the fund are used to promote ideas and support programs that assist Arkansas women and girls in achieving their full potential in any endeavor. WFA gifted $152,449 since the first grant-making cycle in 1999 through the 2006 grant-making cycle.

Grants Committee Report - 2004

The Mini-Grant committee, chaired by Cyndee VanWinkle, reviewed grant proposals and recommend seven to the board as being funded. A total of 55 proposals were received and reviewed, with $235,000 being requested by those agencies. The following grants were awarded for a total of $19,893:

- Girls Proclaiming Power ($1,498): A program by the Southwest Arkansas Domestic Violence Center in DeQueen, Arkansas serving 480 girls.
- Transitional Space ($3,000): a program by Second Genesis of Little Rock, Arkansas serving 80 women.
- Inspired Girls Go Tech ($1,350): a program by Huntsville Middle School in Huntsville, Arkansas serving 175 girls.
- Aim for Success ($1,050): a program by CAREER Closet in Paragould, Arkansas serving 40 women.
- Girls Expect Respect ($5,000): a program by Center for Healing and Hope in Little Rock, Arkansas serving 200 girls.
- Teach Girls – Teen Esteem ($3,000): a program by the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA) in Texarkana, Arkansas serving 120 girls.