

Empower: Give someone the authority of power to do something

(Through the power of collective philanthropy, WOMAN can serve as a catalyst for bringing women together with an emphasis on funding meaningful projects affecting women, children and families. This fund seeks to educate and inspire women to become leaders in philanthropy and demonstrate the impact of collective giving.)

Types of Grants:

- Entrepreneurial start up
- Furthering education
- Building community initiatives
- Healthy living
- Leadership development

Grants are made to non-profit agencies and for the benefit of individuals in McPherson County.

There is no formal grant application process for potential recipients. WOMAN researches projects that are focused on the fund's mission and that address local issues selected by its members. Only projects that have a timely need, competent leadership and a workable plan with measurable outcomes are considered.

Granting is decided by a simple majority vote of members who must be willing to abide by the decision.

Votes may be made via Email, mail or hand delivering to the McPherson County Community Foundation office. Grants are awarded throughout the year as decided by the voting members.

WOMAN of McPherson County is an all-volunteer organization coordinated by a steering team comprised of the chairs of committees to address: research; membership; communications; awards; luncheons; and site visits, etc. There is no paid staff or board of directors; therefore the steering team is responsible for coordinating all aspects of WOMAN.

Give: Bestow (love, affection, or other emotional support) to someone

While anyone is welcome to donate, women are the only voting members. To be a voting member, a woman must contribute \$300, paid in full, by the stated annual deadline. Women may also form a group membership to make the minimum donation of \$300 and collectively decide how the group's single vote is cast. We encourage larger donations but each individual member or group has only one vote – regardless of the amount of donation. Those that contribute \$300 or more are encouraged, but not required, to vote.



The WOMAN Fund has been organized through the McPherson County Community Foundation. The foundation is responsible for the investment and oversight of all donated funds. Costs for the annual reception and other special events will be paid through sponsorships and vendor fees. Administrative fees for the McPherson County Community Foundation are based on the fund's balance and assessed annually. All collected tax-deductible donations are put into WOMAN and administered by the McPherson County Community Foundation, which serves as the fund's fiscal home and 501(C)3. While the fund benefits from foundation staff assistance and research, all granting decisions are made by the voting members of WOMAN.



WOMAN Fund Contribution Form

Individual/Group Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Contribution Amount: _____

Cash: _____ Check: _____ Credit Card: _____

Name on Card: _____

Card Number: _____ Exp Date: _____