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Women's Giving Circle

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Mission

The mission of The Portland Foundation Women's Giving Circle is to build a community of women philanthropists through the pooling of knowledge and resources for the purpose of providing grants to Jay County organizations and initiatives that address mutually agreeable issues.

Purpose

The Women's Giving Circle is a donor/advisory group sponsored by The Portland Foundation. The Circle utilizes two Foundation component funds:

- The **Women's Endowment Fund**—a long-term source of funding that follows the Foundation's current policy of 5% of the value being available each year for grants.
- The **Women's Giving Circle Fund**—a pass-through fund with the entire balance available each year for grants. All membership dues and gifts to the Circle will be split between the Endowment (75%) and the Circle (25%).

The Circle explores needs in the county, chooses an area of focus, invites grant applications, and recommends to the Foundation Board of Trustees which grants should be awarded from the above funds. The focus area for 2017-2018 is **health and welfare opportunities for children and youth in Jay County**. Gifts, which are tax deductible, should be payable to The Portland Foundation, marked for the Giving Circle, and mailed or delivered to the Foundation office.

Women's Giving Circle Meetings & Officers

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2018 Meeting Dates

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| April 28 | Brunch - 10 a.m. Asbury United Methodist Church 204 E Arch St., Portland |
| October | Date is TBD Circle Meeting and Grant Awards Jay County Public Library 315 N. Ship St., Portland |

2018 Officers

| Name | Title |
|------------------|----------------|
| Julia Schwomeyer | President |
| Jane Ann Runyon | Vice President |
| Linda Kennedy | Treasurer |



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Women's Giving Circle Grant

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Grant Application Download

The 2017 Women's Giving Circle Application is available by [clicking here](#).

The deadline for grant application will be July 18, 2018 by 5:00 p.m.