



100 WOMEN WHO CARE NEWSLETTER

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DECEMBER RECIPIENT

When a winter storm forced us to cancel our in person meeting, we conducted a one-time only online vote to determine our December 2024 recipient. The organization receiving the most votes was the Elk Rapids District Library (ERDL). Our collective gift of \$30,2000 (which includes a \$5,000 matching grant explained below) will be applied toward the capital campaign for the new ERDL building. This new location will enable the library to offer expanded resources, improved programs, and enhanced opportunities for community connection.



According to nominating member and ERDL Library Director Pam Williams, "We are grateful to 100 Women Who Care - Elk Rapids Area for their generous donation to our *A Library for Everybody* campaign. Their support brings us closer to creating a more accessible and inclusive library that will impact our entire community now and for generations to come."

From left: Camille Campbell (Friends of the ERDL), Pam Williams (ERDL Director), Lauren Dake (Friends of the ERDL) & Aaron Hill (ERDL Assistant Director)

GREAT NEWS!

We have been invited to participate in the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation Power of 100 - Women Who Care program which matches the donations to chosen charities up to \$5,000 each quarter.

Best Buy's founder, Dick Schulze, thinks the 100 - Women Who Care organization structure is a unique way to partner with local philanthropists. To date, this organization has partnered with over 200 giving circles nationwide to award matching grants totaling \$9 million to over 2,000 charities.

Our first application, for The Friends of the Elk Rapids District Library, has been APPROVED, so an anticipated additional grant of \$5,000 will be distributed to them in March!



UPDATE FROM FREE REIN FARM

Kristin Molby, Free Rein Farm's founder, reports that they served hundreds of families in 2024 thanks to our December, 2023 gift, "Our animals were "happily" trailered all over the community. They love their new trailer so much that they even walk themselves in! We also reached over 900 Guatemalans with our Suicide Prevention Classes in September. We are grateful to 100 Women Who Care - Elk Rapids for their continued support of Free Rein Farm's mission to "bring hope and healing to a hurting community."



THANK YOU!

Kim Dickens for sponsoring our May 2024 Giving Meeting

Nikii Brown and A-Ga-Ming Golf Resort for hosting our August 2024 Giving Meeting.

Julia Pollister Amos for continuously paying our annual post office box fee.

Mary Paige and Rocky Paige of Raymond James Financial Services Advisors, Inc. for sponsoring our meetings at HERTH through 2026.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

February 20 - Winter Social Event at the Dam Shop from 6:00 - 8:00 pm

May 29 - Giving Meeting - 5:30 pm at HERTH

August 21 - Giving Meeting - 5:30 pm at A-Ga-Ming Golf Resort

December 11 - Giving Meeting - 5:00 pm at HERTH

THANK YOU - 2025 SPONSORS!

The following members and their businesses have stepped up to sponsor our website fees, banner and miscellaneous expenses for 2025! We are so grateful for their generosity; thank you!



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