



## **Jewish Women's Foundation of the Greater Palm Beaches 2016 Grants Docket**

### **Local Organizations - Serving women and children in Palm Beach County**

#### **Families First of PB County**

*Targeted Outreach of Pregnant Women*

\$20,000 per year for 2 years

Targeted Outreach of Pregnant Women program works to prevent transmission of HIV/AIDS from mothers to newborns. Highly trained outreach workers go into the community looking for at-risk pregnant women and teens so they can provide education and medical treatment throughout their pregnancy, and the first 6 months after birth. To date, they have a 100% success rate.

#### **Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition**

*Circle of Wellness - Maternal Mental Health Program*

\$20,000 per year for 2 years

The Circle of Wellness Maternal Mental Health project is a new program that hopes to change the way the local community supports mothers suffering from mental health conditions that are highly treatable and often preventable. The program includes a structured care coordination model for clients with depression, perinatal therapy resources, and perinatal therapy training to medical and mental health providers. They coordinate support groups for women who are struggling with mental health issues during and after their pregnancy, as well as grief support.

#### **PACE Center for Girls of Palm Beach County**

*PACEWorks*

\$22,000 per year for 2 years

PACEWorks Program increases the employability of at-risk and high-risk girls at PACE Center for Girls by providing them with the skills and experience for employment in non-traditional fields such as Culinary Arts, Hospitality Services, Arts, Zoological Sciences, and Construction Trades, as well as more traditional fields of Retail Trades, Child Care/Caregiver, Fashion, Food Service and General Office.

#### **Women of Tomorrow Mentor & Scholarship Program**

*General Support*

\$20,000 for one year

Women of Tomorrow Mentor & Scholarship Program helps at-risk girls stay in school, improve academic performance, and gain practical skills that will help them succeed as students and adults. They conduct mentoring throughout the county's low-income areas, including Title 1 high schools, as well as disadvantaged girls attending high schools in the county's affluent areas. Mentees are recruited into the program through school employees who serve as on site Women of Tomorrow coordinators.

## **National Organizations - Organizations based outside of Florida with a national impact**

### **The Human Trafficking Pro Bono Legal Center**

Sex Trafficking Justice Initiative

\$20,000 per year for 2 years

The Sex Trafficking Justice Initiative is a national program that helps trafficking victims by increasing access to pro bono counsel, increasing the number of civil trafficking cases filed by victims, and increasing the number of vacatur/expungement filings to clear victims' criminal records.

### **Unchained at Last**

*General Support*

Two year grant award of \$20,000 per year beginning in 2015; this is the second year of funding

Unchained At Last is the only organization in the US dedicated to helping women and girls leave or avoid arranged/forced marriages and rebuild their lives. Unchained provides free legal and social services and emotional support, while also raising awareness and advocating for relevant legislation.

### **Yeshivat Maharat**

*General Support*

Two year grant award of \$20,000 per year beginning in 2015; this is the second year of funding

Yeshivat Maharat was the first institution in the US to ordain women as Orthodox clergy. This ground-breaking leadership program trains Orthodox women to serve Jewish communities as full spiritual and halakhic leaders. To date, 33 women have enrolled in Yeshivat Maharat's programs and 11 have been ordained.

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## **Israeli Organizations – Advancing the status of women in Israeli society**

### **ATZUM - Justice Works**

*Task Force on Human Trafficking*

\$10,000 for one year

The Task Force on Human Trafficking (TFHT) aims to promote the passage of legislation based on the Nordic Model, the international standard designed to criminalize the purchase of sexual services and protect the prostitute; ensure the enforcement of such legislation; stimulate further action and advocacy to increase women's economic sustainability; and alter the misconceptions of Israeli law makers and citizens.

### **Center for Women's Justice**

*Public Interest Litigation Project*

\$15,000 per year for 2 years

The Public Interest Litigation Project works to cement proven legal solutions and pioneer others that help Israeli women escape the prison of get abuse and attain economic and social equality, and bolster the human rights of Israeli women by compelling the State's legal arm to step in and protect them from religious court infringements.

**Eden Center**

*Mikveh Attendant Empowerment Program*

\$20,000 for one year

The Eden Center's Mikveh Attendant Empowerment Program trains the religious and ultra-Orthodox women who serve as mikveh attendants to identify crisis, abuse and various health issues so they direct women to professional resources and advocate for better health care and prevention.

**ImaKadima**

General Support

\$10,000 for one year

ImaKadima aims to empower working mothers to reach their potential by assisting employers in enacting family friendly work models and advocating for family friendly workplace policies in the Knesset. They coordinate community meet ups and professional networking events for their over 2,300 members.

**Itach Maaki - Women Lawyers for Social Justice**

*Raising the Voices of Marginalized Israeli Women for Economic Justice*

\$20,000 for one year

Itach-Maaki is advancing the rights of women from marginalized groups nationwide, including Arab women, Bedouin women, single mothers, low-income working women, women dependent on public assistance, and immigrants via legal aid, policy change, leadership training for women and public advocacy.

**Jasmine**

*IZUN – Promoting Jewish & Arab Women Leadership in the Economy*

\$15,000 for one year

IZUN Trains diverse women business leaders – both Arab and Jewish - to serve as board members on corporate, public and NGO boards to increase the number of women in board leadership positions. Participants are paired with a mentor and trained in a special 4-month course that includes board meeting simulations.

**Kolech**

*TELEM Educational Program for Gender Equality*

\$15,000 for one year

The TELEM program is a series of interactive-experiential workshops for teenage girls and boys, designed to boost the confidence and self-image of the participants, helping them to explore and understand the issues of gender roles and sexuality. They learn the warning signals of potentially dangerous partners, and ways to prevent or deal with harassment and sexual and physical abuse.

**Ohr Torah Stone**

*The Women's Institute of Halakhic Leadership (WIHL)*

\$15,000 per year for 2 years

WIHL is a full time, modern Orthodox Israeli enterprise that trains committed women scholars to become rabbis in a way identically broad in depth and scope as that studied by men training for rabbinical ordination.

## **Rackman Center for the Advancement of the Status of Women**

*Lawyers of Tomorrow*

\$15,000 for one year

Lawyers of Tomorrow is a training course for promising law students to familiarize them with the needs and rights of women under Jewish and Israeli law and encourage them to do pro bono work to assist low-income women as part of their professional creed in the future.

## **WEPower**

*General support*

\$22,000 per year for 2 years

Established in the year 2000, WEPOWER is the only non-profit, non-partisan Israeli NGO that proactively promotes women's leadership to the high levels of decision-making and elected positions. WEPOWER aims to advance women's leadership and gender mainstreaming at all levels of society, particularly in the political and public arenas, increasing awareness of gender inequality, creating social change, and a more equal civic society.

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## **GRANT GUIDELINES**

JWF will approve grants that are consistent with its mission, vision and goals and based in the Jewish values of *tzedakah*, *tikkun olam* and *gemilut chassadim*.

All proposals will be considered through the prism of a gender lens, which means understanding the unique challenges women and girls face pursuing equality and the ways in which systems, institutions and policies must change to advance women's equality.

JWF will focus on the following issue areas with emphasis on innovation, social entrepreneurship and gender equality: Women's Leadership, Health and Safety, & Economic Empowerment

## **VISION STATEMENT**

The Jewish Women's Foundation of the Greater Palm Beaches (JWF) envisions a world where women and girls are safe and successful and can reach their fullest potential, and we all live in a more fair and just society.

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Guided by Jewish values, JWF empowers women as leaders and strategic philanthropists. JWF uses a gender lens in its social change philanthropy, advocacy, and education to achieve social and economic equality. JWF offers donors opportunities to develop an informed Jewish philanthropic response to gender issues.

## **THEORY OF CHANGE**

When women and girls are empowered, the entire community benefits.

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