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# *the* Women's Fund

*of The Community Foundation  
of Middle Tennessee*

## OUR MISSION

To increase the support in Middle Tennessee  
for programs serving women and girls

## THE FUND MAKES GRANTS TO PROGRAMS ADDRESSING:

- Achievement of economic self-sufficiency for women
- Prevention of violence against women and girls
- Promotion of health, well-being, and talent of women and girls





## GEORGETTE EFTEKHARI & MELANIE TIGRETT

### THE POWER OF THE PURSE® 2023 CO-CHAIRS

Thank you for taking time to join us for The Women's Fund annual The Power of the Purse® luncheon. We would like to acknowledge all of the amazing women who are the heartbeat of our thriving community. It is the generous work of The Women's Fund, serving women and girls in Middle Tennessee, that most inspires us. Through your donations and support of The Women's Fund, we are able to continue to help nonprofits pave the way for future generations of female leaders. Through your example and commitment to enriching our community, we are truly able to lean on one another and make our community even stronger.

We are honored to continue in this tradition of generosity and innovation that elevates Nashville and the region to an even higher level. We hope you will continue to support The Women's Fund and the positive outreach it has brought to our community. Today is made possible because of each and every one of you.

We are humbled by your presence and hope that you enjoy today's empowering luncheon with special guest, Susie Sarich of SusieCakes.

With gratitude,

**Georgette & Melanie**





## SUSAN SARICH

### THE POWER OF THE PURSE® 2023 SPEAKER

Famous for creating SusieCakes, a top destination for satisfying the sweet tooth, Susan Sarich is a 25-year veteran of the hospitality industry. Upon graduation from Cornell University's School of Hotel Administration, she launched her hospitality career at Hyatt Hotels before being recruited to the famous House of Blues. She then lent her talents to a variety of renowned hospitality groups, including the Mobil five-star Everest and Ian Schrager's Clift Hotel in San Francisco. Ready for an entrepreneurial challenge, Susan moved to Portland, Oregon, where she co-founded ZINC bistro & bar, honored as one of Zagat's "America's Top Restaurants."

Susan continued to reminisce about her Midwest upbringing and memories of baking alongside her grandmothers. She craved homestyle American treats made from scratch, with real ingredients. Combining her business savvy expertise with the treasured 3-by-5 recipe cards passed down from her grandmothers, Mildred and Madeline, she opened SusieCakes in the Brentwood neighborhood of Los Angeles in 2006. Serving everything from classic layer cakes to decadent cupcakes, SusieCakes' delicious desserts, superior service, and old-fashioned atmosphere quickly earned the bakery neighborhood-favorite status along with a sizable celebrity following.

SusieCakes has a total of 26 locations, with sights set on further national expansion and with Nashville at the top of her list. Most recently, the company launched nationwide shipping of their baked goods to bring more cakes to more states!

Susan is a proud recipient of the 2022 Forbes "50 over 50" award. She has been a Dean's Distinguished Lecturer at Cornell and currently serves on the Board of Directors for the California Restaurant Association. In her free time, she enjoys traveling in search of great baked goods and donating her efforts to supporting local animal and women's causes.







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The proceeds of The Women's Fund endowment have given us the opportunity to invest in Middle Tennessee nonprofits dedicated to long-term solutions transforming the lives of women and girls.

## Examples of the impact of our 2022 grants include:



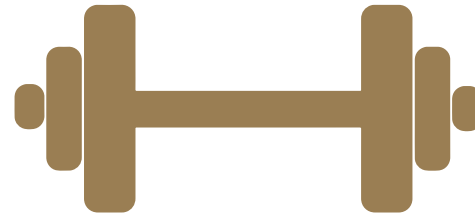
Since its inception, The Women's Fund has made grants totaling

**\$2,589,795**

**125**

Women will receive individualized treatment therapy and coping resources to move from addiction to long-term sobriety through a partial hospitalization program

Strengthen the social and emotional development of females through physical exercise and character/confidence building, nutrition education, lifestyle coaching and strength training for women and girls to improve health outcomes



**15**

Immigrant sexual assault and trafficking survivors will receive legal services/referrals

**10**

Girls from North Nashville will train in the 7 areas of home economics



**12,000**

Girls who cannot afford period products within Metro Public Schools will receive these essential items

**30**

Interventions/rescues for women and children involved in human trafficking and addiction

**60**

Women of low income, including pregnant and postpartum women, will receive intensive outpatient addiction treatment

**30**

Women will receive trauma and parent programming post incarceration



Diversity, equity and inclusion training for residents of a comprehensive residential recovery program

**25**

Female entrepreneurs will receive capital investment in their business



**420**

Rides to/from legal and medical appointments for low-income women dealing with addiction

**125**

Mothers enrolled in Middle Tennessee community colleges will receive "Diapers for Diplomas"

## THE WOMEN'S FUND 2022 GRANTEES

Thanks to its generous supporters and volunteers, The Women's Fund has made grants to nonprofit organizations providing a range of services to support women and girls in need throughout Middle Tennessee.

The Women's Fund works to improve our community through strategic grantmaking to nonprofits carrying out the pillars of The Fund

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**Do you know of organizations  
in Middle Tennessee that are  
supporting the needs of women  
and girls? Please encourage them to  
consider applying to The Women's  
Fund grantmaking program.**

**TheWomensFund.com**



# Empowering women's financial lives



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In memory of  
**Helene Katz**

Her life was truly an  
inspiration with her  
ability to inspire,  
connect and empower  
other women.

We miss you dearly,  
*-Jeff, Elisha and Halle Zander*







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**The Women's Fund** is the beneficiary of connection and mentorship during May Dean Eberling's lifetime. We are honored to be included as one of five recipients of the charitable foundation May Dean established as a lasting legacy for many in our Middle Tennessee community, including women and girls.

The Eberling Charitable Foundation was established by May Dean Eberling's estate plans as a permanent source of support for:

**The Women's Fund** of The Community  
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“Thank you to The Women’s Fund of The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee for all you continue to do to empower women and girls throughout the state.”

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# Girls GIVE

Girls Give is an initiative of The Women’s Fund that brings together girls and young women—with the support of their mothers, grandmothers and other important female relationships—to inspire a love of giving, volunteering and being part of a connected community.

[GirlsGive.org](https://GirlsGive.org)



**The Community Foundation  
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# NOVEMBER 17, 2022

The Women's Fund hosted a discussion

## FROM REFUGEE TO NEIGHBOR: WHAT IT TAKES TO CALL OUR CITY HOME

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**Zulfat Suara**

Nashville Metro Council Member at Large,  
Executive Director of Grants and Contracts  
at Meharry Medical College, The Women's  
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*established by Elizabeth Hawkins*

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**and Caroline Davis Haynes Fund**

*established by Lucy Haynes*

**The Marissa Victoria Houff Fund**

*established by Marci Houff*

**Girls Just Want to Have Funds**

*established by Liza Lentz*

**The Maiden Girls Fund**

*established by Barbara Mayden*

**Ava Juliana Grace McKamey Fund**

*established by Maria McKamey*

**The Mertz Girls Fund**

*established by Vickie Mertz*

**Mary Moorman/Ryan Caldwell and Daughters Granddaughters Fund**

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**Simons Family Giving Fund**

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**The Waller Girls Fund**

*established by Christy Waller*

**The Weaver Giving Fund**

*established by Nicky Weaver Cheek*

**C.A. Witt Girls Fund**

*established by Leigh Ann Witt*

**The Dorothy Bell Orr and Nancy Bell Slaughter Fund**

*established by Nancy Zoretic*



## GIRLS GIVE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

Educational Workshops - opportunities to learn about nonprofits, endowments and granting

Volunteer activities with nonprofits

Girls Give designated seating at The Women's Fund  
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Annual Granting Event

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