



Making choices . . .

about where to put your support is often difficult. With so many needs, how do you know which are most important?

The Women's Fund Endowment can help with your philanthropic choices. Here's how.

- We ensure that your gifts go to the most critical areas of need in your own community.
- We remove barriers to the success of generations of women.
- We help you honor someone who shares or has shared your philanthropic mission.

*When "Jane" left her abusive husband, she had no job or job skills. Thanks to the Women's Opportunity Center's job training program and a grant from the **Women's Fund**, she was given proper training and got a job in retail. Jane was able to further develop her managerial skills supervising the store while her boss was on vacation.*

"I did this not only for myself, but for my young daughter," Jane said.

*"Susan" feared that she'd have to give up her new job because she had no way to get to it for the two weeks before receiving her first paycheck. Catholic Charities was able to give her a 30-day bus pass thanks to a grant from the **Women's Fund**. When she received the pass, Susan broke down crying with relief and gratitude saying she could now use the money saved to purchase needed medications for her young son.*

*Please join us in helping the women in our community with a gift to the **Women's Fund Endowment**.*

Make your check payable to:

Community Foundation of Tompkins County
and note: WF Endowment



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"Individually, we are one drop . . .

**Together,
we are an ocean."**

RYUNOSUKE SATORO



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YOUR GIFT WILL CREATE A LEGACY FOR WOMEN, FOREVER

Our Mission

To make a positive difference in the lives of women in our community.

Our Strategy

To establish an endowment that will assist women in Tompkins County—forever.

Our Goal

To add \$200,000 to our endowment fund by December 2009.

*"Mary" is 61, self-employed, and without health insurance. The Planned Parenthood Midlife Services recently paid for her annual gynecology exam — but could not pay for the further screening tests the physician recommended. A grant to Planned Parenthood from the **Women's Fund** made those essential tests possible. They showed some problems, and Mary received health counseling that could save her life.*

Our Work

We serve as a catalyst.

We discover what women need, we ask "who else is working on that problem?" and then we focus our support accordingly.

We partner with local agencies.

We fund programs that range from offering job training where women learn marketable skills to providing security deposits for women who otherwise could not rent an apartment.

We support community needs.

We recently helped to fund a conference on the critical need for long-term health care workers.

We honor local volunteers.

Our annual Laura Holmberg Award goes to women who excel in their professions while engaging in essential volunteer activities—women like Betsy Darlington, Sara Pines, Joan Ormondroyd, and Rachel Siegel.

Our Endowment

Endowment is a sustainable, renewable resource.

It turns your gift into much more than just a drop in the ocean.

By pooling and investing the gifts of many people, the Women's Fund can make sure our friends and neighbors always get the help they need for good health and economic independence.

Income from your gift will be given away each year—but we will always protect your gift so it can generate more income for years to come.

*We invite you to become
an Endowment Fund FOUNDER.
(a gift of \$1000)*

*However, your gift of any size
will help us build . . .
a legacy for local women
and . . .*

an ocean of support!

