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**NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation Awarded \$100,000 Grant During  
Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis Virtual Awards**

*Charitable women's giving circle celebrates 2021 Change-Maker finalists and over \$2.7M of women giving as one to central Indiana nonprofits*

**INDIANAPOLIS – June 29, 2021** - Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis, a charitable women's giving circle, awarded a \$100,000 high-impact grant to NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation tonight during its 16th annual awards celebration which was held virtually. NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation was announced as the 2021 Impact 100 Change-Maker following taped video presentations by the five finalists and current members casting their votes electronically.

NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation will utilize their funding to grow and expand their program which provides home repairs and modification services for homeowners who are seniors or those with disabilities living in Marion County at or below 150% of the federal poverty level (less than \$20,000 annually). They provide these services at no cost to the homeowner so they may age in place safely and with dignity.

"Impact 100 is honored to recognize and support the missions of all five of our 2021 Change-Maker finalists," said Karen Holly, president of Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis. "There is so much need for support in our community right now, and it's more important than ever to ensure we are supporting nonprofits whose work directly benefits central Indiana and its residents. Women giving as one is powerful and we need to continue to come together and 'raise the tide' of philanthropy by connecting NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation, our 2021 Change-Maker winner, to the funding they need to create positive change in our community."

This year marks the 16th anniversary of Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis and following the 2021 celebration, the organization has awarded 69 grants, totaling over \$2.7 million to local nonprofits. Organizations submitted grant applications in January 2021. Five focus area committees vetted one finalist in each focus area.

NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation, finalist in the health and wellness focus area, was one of five organizations that made a video presentation during the virtual awards dinner. Additional finalists included: Westminster Neighborhood Services (education); Beacon of Hope Crisis Center (environmental and animal welfare); Indy Shakes (arts, culture and preservation) and You Yes You! Project (family). The four remaining finalists received residual grants of over \$17,000 each.

"NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation is honored to be the 2021 Change-Maker for our growth and expansion plan," said Dave A. Withey, executive director, board chair and founder of NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation. "The impact will be felt throughout the community as we work to fill a gap in basic needs for some of the most vulnerable in our community."

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To date, 19 local nonprofits have received \$100,000 high-impact grants and 50 have received unrestricted, residual grants as a result of Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis' collective giving. Change-Makers include: NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation (2021); Family Promise of Hendricks County (2020); Kennedy King Memorial Initiative (2019); Brookside Community Development Corporation and Trinity Episcopal Church (2018); Volunteers of America of Ohio & Indiana (2017); The IMPACT Project (a joint project between Ascent 121 and Lutheran Child and Family Services) (2016); Indianapolis Parks Foundation for Indy Urban Acres Flower Farm (2015); LifeSmart Youth (2014); Tindley Collegiate (2013); Jameson Camp, Inc. (2012); Outside the Box, Inc. (2011); Rock Steady Boxing (2010); Outreach, Inc. (2009); Herron High School and Horizon House (2008); Indy Reads and Craine House/Fairbanks (2007); and Wishard/Eskenazi (2006).

Women may join Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis by making an individual membership donation of \$1,000. Shared memberships are also available for small groups of women who wish to pool their money together for the \$1,000 donation. These funds are used exclusively for the purpose of grant making. Details on how to become a member can be found [here](#).

#### ***About Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis***

Founded in 2006, Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis is a 501(C)(3) charitable women's giving circle dedicated to awarding high impact grants totaling \$100,000 or more to at least one nonprofit in the greater Indianapolis community in the areas of arts, culture and preservation; education; environment and animal welfare; family; and health and wellness. The organization seeks to fund critical needs, new ventures, and innovative ways to solve social problems and to create a more civil and respectful climate in our community. Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis has a minimum of 100 members, each donating \$1,000 per year to fund the grants. For more information about Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis, visit [www.impact100indy.org](http://www.impact100indy.org) or follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

#### ***About NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation***

NeighborLink Indianapolis is a nonprofit organization that provides home repairs to low-income seniors and individuals with disabilities who own their own home within Marion County, Ind. We have one mission, to help individuals with disabilities and senior homeowners in-need age-in-place safely and with dignity.

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