Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis Names 2021 Young Philanthropists

Charitable Women’s Giving Circle Shapes Philanthropic Perspectives of Young Women through Scholarship Program

INDIANAPOLIS – Feb. 1, 2021 – Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis, a charitable women’s giving circle, announced today 11 women will join the 2021 grant process as part of its Impact 100 Young Philanthropists program. The program allows women early in their not-for-profit careers to enjoy the benefits and responsibilities of full membership, while enriching the Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis grants process with fresh perspectives and technical expertise.

2021 Impact 100 Young Philanthropist recipients include:
• Lauren Curry, Indianapolis Movement Arts Collective
• Kim Ferguson, Foundation for Lutheran Child and Family Services
• Madison Gonzalez, Morning Light, Inc.
• Claire Jagla, Teach for America Indianapolis
• Chelsea Miller, Rock Steady Boxing International HQ
• Elizabeth Nash, Big Car Collaborative
• Bailey Peycha, Arts Council of Indianapolis
• Julia Roberts, Williams Randall Advertising
• Samantha Tarlton, Kappa Delta Pi
• Kennedy Weaver, Violence Free Living
• Shamira Wilson, Self-Employed

From now until May, the young philanthropists will join grant review committees to evaluate proposed projects and applications submitted by greater Indianapolis area nonprofits, followed by site visits and the selection of one finalist from five focus areas (FACs), including: arts, culture and preservation; education; environment and animal welfare; family; and health and wellness. At the annual celebration in June, each finalist will deliver a seven-minute presentation to the Impact 100 membership. After the presentations, Impact 100 members and the young philanthropists will cast their live vote, and the 2021 Impact 100 Change-Maker will be announced shortly thereafter.

“We are excited to welcome this group of young women as members of Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis and to show how this powerful approach of women giving as one can help our grantees change our community for the better,” said Karen Holly, president of Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis. “We are excited to have this next generation of philanthropists bringing their life experience to our giving circle and cannot wait to see the impact they will have throughout the process.”

Community members are invited to contribute to the scholarship program. It costs $1,250 to underwrite a scholarship and donations can be submitted via the online submission form here by selecting Scholarship as the designation for the funds. To learn more about Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis, visit www.impact100indy.org.

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 or follow us on Instagram, Facebook and Twitter.

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