



Christian Women's Leadership Circle (CWLC) Partnership Projects/Grants Funded 2017-2018 Wisconsin Lutheran College

Since 2006, the CWLC has offered encouragement, personal growth opportunities, and **leadership project resources** to help the women of Wisconsin Lutheran College identify and develop their **God-given gifts and talents**. It is our mission to provide these **excellent and extraordinary women** with opportunities to learn and grow as **Christian servant leaders** who make a difference in the world around us. Following is a **listing of the funds awarded to students and faculty** during the **2017-2018** academic year.

STUDENT GRANTS

Young Women's Science Program

Funding is provided for five or six events this year, with five female students organizing the events. Each event involves a lecture and lab in a specific branch of science, and is intended to reach out to female, high school students who aspire to major in a science field. This project provides the opportunity for the requestor to enhance her leadership skills through coordinating the events, arranging for advertising, working with professors and lecturers, while sharing her love and excitement for science with others. The \$1,000 award is used to cover the cost of speakers, lab and lecture equipment, advertising materials, and a special guest speaker.

Soles for Jesus Humanitarian Work in Zambia

This \$1,000 grant partially funds a student's humanitarian aid trip to Zambia, Africa in May 2018. Through the organization **Soles for Jesus**, the student will be working with a team of Christians to distribute shoes to people in need. The trip emphasizes what it means to be a **servant leader** by getting directly involved with the distribution of shoes to people of all ages in Zambia. The student learned of this opportunity when she heard Diane Studer, executive director of Soles for Jesus, speak at the CWLC's 2017 Butterfly Brunch.

FTEA Adopt a Classroom

The Future Teacher Education Association's fundraising program to "Adopt a Classroom" will be partially funded through this grant of \$240. The funds are used to purchase T-shirts which the students sell to education majors, as well as promoting the collection of classroom items through donation boxes around campus. Proceeds are used to support and maintain a struggling classroom in the Milwaukee area. Through this program, the requestor and her committee put their servant leadership skills of organization, communication, and determination into practice to positively impact a local classroom. Education majors, alumni, and professors are also involved in this program.

Speakers on Suicide and Mental Health

Funding in the amount of \$800 for speaker fees, advertising expenses and refreshments, brings two motivational speakers to the WLC campus to speak on the topic of suicide and mental health. The event features guest speakers Julie-Ann Braun and Pastor Peter Panitzke, and is open to WLC students, faculty and staff, as well as members of the community. This event provides the opportunity for the student organizer to further her leadership skills by organizing, advertising and running the event.

New Friends Luau Dance

New Friends is a campus organization which gives WLC students an opportunity to interact with mentally challenged and disabled people through social events and devotions. This grant funds a dance organized by the New Friends group. Activities include music, food, and games. The organizers enhance their leadership skills by planning a large-scale event that requires them to work with staff, student leaders, and others in the special needs community. Over 40 WLC students are expected to volunteer during this event. The \$950 grant will cover the costs of food and beverages, decorations, a DJ, games and activities, and party favors.

PARTNERSHIP AWARDS

Student Leadership Conference – A grant of \$3,000 sponsors this day-long program, which the CWLC has supported for the last 4 years. The conference continues to be led by students with an advisor from the Center for Christian Leadership. It is expanding this year to include students from Milwaukee area colleges.

Center for Christian Leadership Speaker Series – A grant of \$2,000 helps to support the 2017-2018 WLC speaker series of 3-4 guest speakers. This mid-day program is marketed to business leaders in the Milwaukee area, and is promoted to the student body, faculty, and staff as an excellent way for Christian Leadership Certificate Program students to learn from talented individuals in a variety of professional backgrounds.

J. Mark McVey Student Concert Master Class

Funding of \$500 allows the offering of an in-depth art experience for WLC students, particularly those in the fields of Music and Theatre. J. Mark McVey is a world-renowned professional musical theatre performer. This event gives WLC students the chance to interact with him as he offers incredible insight into a career in the arts. He is a strong Christian; this is an opportunity for him to speak to students about being a Christian in the arts.

Warriors Serve

This program provides a meaningful service opportunity for students as they serve meals to Ronald McDonald House families throughout the academic year. Goals of this project include:

- Build community on campus and provide meaningful service experiences for WLC students.
- Provide meaningful connections for WLC students beyond the WLC campus.
- Serve families who are dealing with serious medical issues.
- Enhance positive name recognition for WLC with the Ronald McDonald House Charities and in the greater Milwaukee community.

The award of \$1,100 will purchase food supplies for serving meals each semester.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Christian Women's Leadership Circle Annual Scholarship

This \$1,000 annual scholarship is awarded to a junior female student who has shown leadership skills. She is recommended by the Campus Ministry Office.

The Marlene Schumacher Christian Women's Leadership Circle Endowed Scholarship

The CWLC Board of Directors authorized a \$1,000 gift to this endowed scholarship in an effort to grow the balance to a minimum of \$25,000, ensuring that the CWLC will have the continued ability to provide financial assistance to future female WLC students through this scholarship named in memory of one our founders and long-time board members.

"For I know the plans I have for you", declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11