

ANNUAL REPORT

COMMISSION FOR WOMEN YEAR IN REVIEW - 2019



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Dear friends.

There is great power in connecting with women and girls. In 2019, the Commission for Women used our voices to promote healthy connections with and for women and girls in our community. When we bring together the ideas, backgrounds, and experiences of many different community members, we see the impact that is possible.

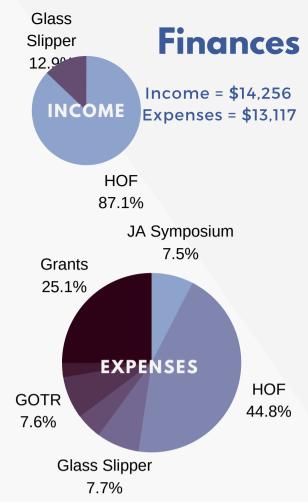
During Women's History Month in March, we honored our inductees to the Women's Hall of Fame. We also announced the first recipients of our Commission for Women Mini-Grants. Through these connections, we supported educational opportunities for Mentor-a-Mother, leadership programs for female leaders through Time to Think, LLC, summer STEAM programs through the Girl Scouts, and professional clothing for women seeking career counseling at PROBE.

I've often seen that women working together with and for other women gets us so much further in reaching our goals. As a Commission, we have explored authentic connection and healthy communication. All this in hopes that we can build these things up in our own spheres of influence in the community.

On August 18, 2020, we will celebrate the centennial of Women's Suffrage through the 19th Amendment. Women today have the women of yesterday to thank for their right to vote, own property, and work. Let us never forget that we enjoy these privileges because of the women who marched before us. I encourage you to use your voice for connection in 2020. We can do so much more together than we ever could apart.

Warmly, Ali Mailen Perrotto





COMMISSION HAPPENINGS

Glass Slipper Dress Sale

This year's dress sale was a great success. 168 dresses were sold to local high school students, 256 dresses were donated by the community, and 14 free prom tickets were given to students.

Hall of Fame Luncheon

We inducted 11 honorees in 2019 at our new location - Stone Ridge at Poplar Run. Students from Cedar Crests Digital Design course interviewed inductees and created short videos to honor their accomplishments.

Celebrating Our Girls

Commission members donated food, space, and entertainment to throw a holiday celebration for our county Girls on the Run Teams. Each girl and coach received a Commission headband for running.

Latino Health Fair

Commission members tabled at the October event, and gathered survey feedback in English and Spanish on Women's needs in the community. Did you know that over 10% of Lebanon County speaks languages other than English at home?















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2019 WOMEN'S HALL OF FAME

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