Reflecting on 25 Years

Click on the video below to look back on IWF's 25 years of supporting women and girls in Iowa, and celebrate the progress made in those 25 years.

Thank You for a Special 2019

When IWF took shape in 1994, it was hard to envision what it would become in 25 years. Because of the work of many, many people over the years, we are so proud of what IWF has become and the work IWF has done. 2019 was a special year for IWF. Below are some of the highlights from the year.
IWF awarded the first **Golden Rattle Award** to honor the work of an exceptional individual and a business that goes above and beyond to assist their employees with childcare. This year's winners were Dan Levi, of Levi Architects, and Frontier Co-op, represented by CEO Tony Bedard.

IWF’s Executive Director, Dawn Oliver Wiand, was awarded the **Iowa Child Care Resource & Referral Child Star Award**.

**IWF awarded $140,000 in grants to organizations** across Iowa to shatter the barriers women and girls face to economic self-sufficiency in 2020. 11 Core Grants were awarded, along with 8 Building Child Care Solutions Fund grants with the generous support of Casey’s General Stores.

IWF hosted over 800 guests for the **2019 luncheon**. Generous donations collected at the luncheon, combined with the match from James Investment Group (Lois and Jeremy James), totaled almost $30,000. You can watch the [full luncheon program online](#).

IWF supported **bipartisan public policy** to help make child care more accessible in Iowa and across the nation.

IWF Partnered with Women in Business student groups at the University of Iowa and the University of Northern Iowa to provide mentoring and networking opportunities through the Shoot High basketball event at UI, and Run Like A Mother 5K at UNI.

We would also like to recognize and thank our [Board of Directors](#), [Advisory Council](#), and all our volunteers!

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**There's Still Time to Make a Difference!**

Don't let another year pass without supporting women and girls in Iowa. IWF's initiatives work to help all Iowans through helping girls and women become self-sufficient. Click below to donate and help Iowans through IWF's initiatives.

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**Thank you for an amazing 2019! Here's to another great year in 2020!**