Since its inception in 1994, the Iowa Women’s Foundation has been committed to improving the lives of ALL Iowa’s women and girls. Through targeted research, grantmaking, education, advocacy, and collaboration, IWF has worked to shatter the barriers to economic self-sufficiency. Because when Iowa’s women and girls are successful, our businesses thrive, our communities flourish, and Iowa wins.

How we make a difference:

- IWF funds and supports research that enables us to invest wisely in activities that create pathways to economic success for women and girls.

- At the heart of IWF is grantmaking. The goal of raising funds is to provide grants to organizations that give IWF the power to advance the lives of women and girls each year.

- In order to lead change, IWF educates policy makers and other community leaders regarding issues and solutions and advocates for social change.

- IWF collaborates with social service organizations, government agencies, schools, businesses, and policy makers to address the needs of women and girls in a coherent and complete way.

What makes IWF uniquely effective is our focus: we use research to uncover the biggest barriers to women’s success and their greatest needs, and we target our efforts accordingly to achieve our goals and make the most significant impact.

2019 marks the 25th year of providing opportunities for women and girls. The first grants were awarded in 1996, and to date, IWF has granted $870,000 to more than 200 programs benefitting thousands of women and girls in all 99 Iowa counties. Many thanks to our sponsors, donors, and supporters who help make this work a success. Together, we are indeed stronger!
Join Us Next Month for Our Annual Luncheon

Have you purchased your ticket for the Annual Luncheon yet? You won’t want to miss this 25th anniversary celebration.

IWF is here because of your support and the confidence you have in the work being done to improve the lives of Iowa’s women and girls. Meet the 2020 Core Grantee Partners, hear about the work the Foundation has accomplished this year, and find out where we’re heading next when you attend the Annual Luncheon.

Join us in welcoming our keynote speaker, Dr. Angela Sadler Williamson, and help us kick off the next 25 years with a bang!

Get Your Luncheon Tickets

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