Together We Have the \textit{POWER}


\textit{Carrie Chapman Catt had the POWER when she directed the National American Suffrage Association and founded the League of Women Voters.}

\textit{James Mott, husband of suffragist Lucretia Mott, had the POWER when he served as chairman of the Seneca Falls Women’s Rights Convention and added his name to the Declaration of Sentiments.}

\textit{Sojourner Truth had the POWER when she escaped slavery with her infant daughter and became a leader in the abolitionist movement.}

\textit{Daniel Anthony, father of Susan B. Anthony, had the POWER when he opened a school where girls and boys were taught as equals.}

With your partnership, IWF has the POWER to support and continue to improve the lives of ALL of Iowa’s women and girls.

IWF has been working on behalf of Iowa women and girls for 25 years, and the POWER behind this work is the support received from donors, sponsors, and events like the Annual Luncheon. This year’s luncheon will be held Friday, October 9th at the location of each participant’s choice – yes, the luncheon is going virtual! Join in from where you are comfortable – your home, backyard patio, conference room ... No worries about what to wear or how to get to the Coralville Marriott by noon. It will still be dynamic, engaging, full of special guests and grant recipient stories. And with a virtual format, this allows us the POWER of this event to be shared across the state and beyond.

Lois James and Jeremy James of \textit{James Investment Group}, Iowa City, are the Match Sponsor
for the 2020 Luncheon. Lois and Jeremy have been the Match Sponsor since 2014. They are leading by example and we encourage you to help us meet the $10,000 match collectively. This support demonstrates the POWER we have when we come together to support women and girls. Our extreme gratitude to Lois and Jeremy for their continued passion for the state-wide work enabling IWF to carry out the mission of improving the lives of Iowa’s women and girls.

Please add POWER to the work of the Foundation by joining us for the 24th Annual Awards Luncheon. Now more than ever, your strong support is critical to IWF’s ability to fulfill its mission and ensure its grantmaking and other advocacy work continues despite COVID-induced challenges.

To sign up for the luncheon as a sponsor, table host, or to purchase individual tickets, please download registration forms on the IWF website.

Participate in the Luncheon

Celebrating the 19th Amendment

2020 signifies the 100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote. Iowa was the tenth state to pass the legislation on July 2, 1919, a full 13 months ahead of the date when the amendment was ratified by the country. Several Iowan’s led the suffragist movement at local, state, and national levels advocating for all women throughout the country to achieve gender equity. Carrie Chapman Catt, Annie Savery, and Mary Jane Coggeshall were all instrumental in the suffragist movement.

The Old Capitol Museum, located on the campus of the University of Iowa Pentacrest, in partnership with the League of Women Voters, created a special exhibit, Hard Won, Not Done: A Century’s Struggle, honoring the suffragists with their strength and resilience in the first steps to gender equality. IWF was proud to host a gathering in January to showcase the exhibit and learn more from UI Visiting Professor Caroline Radesky about the women who fought for the right to vote.

The National Archives has also created materials telling the story of the 19th Amendment and the impact this legislation has had over the past 100 years. With their permission, we are sharing the images of the “Rightfully Hers” poster exhibit. To view them in more detail please check out their...
The strength and resilience shown by women of the 1800’s, and those that have continued to advocate for women and girls throughout the last century, are to be commended for the work they have done to continue the momentum forward. It is our job to carry it through these next 100 years and beyond. Volunteers, donors and advocates for IWF are indeed paving the way for this next generation to be strong, forward thinkers for gender equity.

Interested in Mentoring? It’s Not Too Late

"A mentor is someone who allows you to see the hope inside yourself"
Are you a professional businesswoman looking for a chance to pay it forward? Become a mentor and help a young woman navigate through the business world!

The Women in Business chapter at the University of Iowa Tippie College of Business is looking for mentors to support, advise, and inspire their student members. Mentors and mentees will meet once a month to discuss topics, build a relationship, and gain knowledge into the business world. We hope to give mentors and members the opportunity to build lasting relationships through this program! To sign up for the 2020-2021 academic year, please contact Erin Goss at erin-goss@uiowa.edu ASAP.