



Membership Matters

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The newsletter for women making a difference together in Baldwin County



Here's to you, Impact 100 Baldwin County members.

Impact 100 Baldwin County President Suzanne Thornburg (left) and Membership Chair Lucy Smith toast 2020 members in The Virtual Reveal! on April 27.

Springtime traditionally is a time for renewal, rebirth, and celebration of life's beauty all around us. Although we are living in uncertain times these last several weeks; we are all still finding renewed and beautiful ways to maintain a "sense of balance" in our daily routines, with our family life, parenting duties and even remote work life. "New" has taken on another meaning for us all.

But I believe we have reason to celebrate today. We celebrate each of YOU! Who you are, what you've done this year to continue our mission together is remarkable. You gave, you supported our vision and you stood united in our endeavor to again deliver impactful grants in 2020. I know there were some who were not able to give during this difficult time and we understand. Continue to focus on your families, take care of yourselves and please stay safe.

We realize the needs of many within our county are greater than ever before. We have seen and heard from several who struggle with the changes that COVID-19 has brought upon them. Our hearts and continued support are with our nonprofits and those they serve. And as promised, Impact 100 Baldwin County has "stayed our course."

This membership year has been a momentous one. It will be remembered by all of us in different ways. However, I want you to reflect on the positive impact you once again have made. I want all of you to be proud of the thousands of citizens of our community whose lives you will remarkably change for the better because of your embrace of our "giving circle." This is the power of philanthropic women and what we can do together! Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Suzanne S. Thornburg
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President

Covid-19 prevention restrictions prevented us from gathering in person, so we celebrated the conclusion of our 2020 membership drive virtually. Through video on Facebook, President Suzanne Thornburg and Membership Chair Lucy Smith thanked the 404 members of Impact 100 Baldwin County (including 58 new members). Between our membership and contributions from additional community supporters and donors, we will be awarding five transformative grants of \$90,000 in November. That 2020 total of \$450,000 brings our total grantmaking since 2008 to over \$4 million.

At press time, our Virtual Reveal has been viewed over 1,100 times. If you haven't see it yet, click here to go to <https://www.facebook.com/175712975776056/videos/729979560870455/>

Our Members Are Inspiring

The campaign is over, the results are in, and we could not be any prouder of our membership. Even though we didn't reach 500 members (next year!), we have a lot to be proud of and we have \$450,000 reasons to celebrate.

Lucy Smith, Membership Chair, commented, "This was a campaign like no other. We had to cancel several of our recruitment events. We learned all about socially distancing and met in Zoom instead of a room. But, in the midst of all the uncertainty and worry about our friends and family's well-being, we also saw the true nature of our members, and their amazing spirit has been a bright spot. I've always thought Impact members were some of the most generous, compassionate women around. Now I KNOW it."

The 2020 membership campaign started out strong. Prospective members were invited to our combined annual meeting and kick-off so they could see Impact in action and hear from grant finalists about why Impact membership is so important. The result was a record single-event member sign-up.

After the first of the year, regional kick-offs and membership socials began, and we want to thank our regional membership chairs for their diligent efforts to introduce Impact to women in their areas: Eastern Shore, Moren Braswell and Bonnie Gulsby; North Baldwin, Abby Hamilton; and South Baldwin, Monica Leonard and Rhonda Morris. While the weather didn't always cooperate on event nights, it also didn't deter women from coming to support our mission.

Reflecting back on this year's campaign, Lucy remarked, "The tremendous generosity displayed by the women in our area never ceases to amaze me. As full of distractions as our world has been, the caring, compassion and generosity of our members is inspiring. Because of our members' commitment to our community, we will be able to award \$450,000 in grants to 5 organizations later this year. We have a lot to be proud of, so 'Thank you!' to each and every one of you."

Impact 100 Baldwin County Membership 2020

New members are in blue

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| Pattie Adcock | Tanya Fratto Blair | Rebecca Canale | Jeanne Cummings | Cheryl Filliater |
| Chesley Allegrì | Denise "Honey" | Katchie Cane | Jackie Dahlman | Michele Finn |
| Katherine Allen | Blanda | Deb Carlson | Jamie Davidson | Ginny Fischbach |
| Vivian Allen | Judy Bonner | Terri Carlton | Ann Davis | Sandra Fisher |
| Felisha Anderson | Sally Boom | Aeana Carpenter | Ashley Davis | Barbara Fitch |
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| Allison Ashurst | Boozar | Barbara Casey | Paige Dawson | Fitzgerald |
| Karen Atchison | Necie Borroni | Utopia Cassady | Judy Dean | Amelia Fletcher |
| Julie Bagwell | Gloria Boutte | Vivian Chateau | Sharon Dearing | Genelle Fountain |
| Genie Bailey | Moren Braswell | Beth Clark | Wanda Dobson | Hillary Fowlkes |
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| Ginny Barnas | Cathy Brumback | Elizabeth Cole | Heather Drago | Kay Frye |
| Jane Barnette | Patricia Bruner | Jaime Cooper | Lynda Drawing | Wendy Fuess |
| Suzanne Barnhill | Aurelia Bryars | Joanne Cooper | Eloise Duff | Beth Fugard |
| Allison Beard | Foncie Bullard | Judy Corbett | Kelly Durden | Lynn Funchess |
| Lee Beck | Kelly Bullington | Barbara Corcoran | Ellen Dyas | Susan Gaberino |
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| Forest Bernardi | Kristy Bushaw | Courington | Jolane Edwards | Kim Gibson |
| Michelle Bigler | Rita Byers | Beth Craft | Marilyn Ellis | MaryBeth Gibson |
| Lynn Biles | Sue Cade | Janine Crocker | Pam Ewell | Carla Givens |
| Karen Billups | Mary Calvin | Cathy Crosby | Leslie Ezell | Linda Glaze |
| Lisa Blackmon | Lani Cameron | Jackie Crum | Jane Feagin | Leslie Goldberg |
| Misty Blair | Kim Campbell | Susan Crutchfield | Renee Fenn | Carol Gordon |

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| Graham | Leigh Knosher | Judy Moore | Jo Ann Riggs | Peri Summersell |
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| Penny Groux | Cindy Lacey | Betsy Moseley | Brenda Rogers | Edie Terreson |
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Changes in Focus Groups

A message from your Grants Team

As members of Impact 100 we enter the 2020 Grant cycle with a new perspective on life, family and what we as a philanthropic community of women can do for the residents of Baldwin County. We know that the needs post COVID-19 will be great and will continue for longer than we would like.

...we can help the most by staying the course with our mission to "transform lives in Baldwin County by awarding high-impact grants to area nonprofits."

Some of you have reached out and asked about changing the way we allocate grant funds this year. The Grants Team and your Board of Directors have given this much thoughtful consideration and believe that we can help the most by staying the course with our mission to "transform lives in Baldwin County by awarding high-impact grants to area nonprofits."

In past years, our grant applications have reflected needs in the community such as homelessness and hunger, addiction, education, and medical care for the uninsured.

The Focus Groups have identified finalists they felt would best serve these needs, and our membership has responded with their votes. We have complete faith in this process for 2020.

Will we have to make some changes? Absolutely! The safety and well being of our members are our #1 priority. All committee meetings and the Grant Workshop have been held virtually. As of now, the Focus Groups will meet virtually and we will do our site visits virtually or over the phone.

Before COVID-19 many of us had not participated in a virtual meeting. Please don't let this scare you away. It's easy and kind of fun...

We promise to help you along the way as we navigate this new virtual world together.

Many of you have asked, "What can I do to help?" Your commitment to membership in 2020 was an incredible first step and thank you for that. Your help on a Focus Group is a chance for your voice to be heard. Before COVID-19 many of us had not participated in a virtual meeting...please don't let this scare you away. It's easy and kind of fun: no travel time; and from the comfort of your home, enjoy your favorite beverage, grab a quick snack, get comfortable and connect with other members as you evaluate which nonprofits should receive a high-impact grant.

Soon you will receive an email communication with instruction for Focus Group sign-up and an explanation of the virtual process.

We promise to help you along the way as we navigate this new virtual world together. In the end, we will have fulfilled our mission and made another year of impact in Baldwin County.

Sandy *Nancy* *Topie*
Sandy Stepan Nancy Lambe Topie Cassady



***Impact 100 Baldwin County Member and
FOX10 News Co-Anchor Lenise Ligon***

Member Spotlight— Lenise Ligon

What led you to support IMPACT 100?

I worked and studied hard to become a journalist so I could make a difference in my community through storytelling. I just enjoy sharing people's stories. We can learn so much from one another.

The importance of volunteerism and service was instilled in me at an early age. My grandmother was an avid volunteer. I have devoted my time to various community organizations. Educating the public on maintaining a heart-healthy lifestyle became important to me during my teenage years after my grandmother died of heart disease. I have a profound appreciation for the arts and its impact on the well-roundedness of our children—be it through dance, music, and artworks. We learn creativity, discipline and perseverance through art. That's why being involved with Impact 100 Baldwin County has been especially rewarding. It allows me to have a direct impact on several causes near to my heart. The added bonus is the many

brilliant women I'm surrounded by...working collectively to make a lasting difference on our community.

What one thing do you think Impact 100 Baldwin County needs to do to have the most impact it can?

Continue letting women know that they too can get involved. I was unaware that I could become a member. It wasn't until a friend suggested it to me that I inquired.

What's your best piece of life advice?

Be comfortable ruffling some feathers. Not everyone is going to like you, and that's ok. If you want to change things—occasionally—you are going to be disliked. But if you please everyone, you aren't making enough progress.

If you were a cocktail, what kind would you be, and why?

This is an interesting question. I've never been asked this before. I prefer a pinot noir but if I were cocktail, I'd probably be a dirty martini. Although I've never had one, like the drink, I am both serious and strong. I know what I like, and more importantly, what I don't like. My friends would say I'm incredibly ambitious, loyal, and never shy away from strong flavors.

**As our community
deals with Covid-19—**

What's Happening with our Grant Recipients?

**We asked Impact 100
Baldwin County's
2018 and 2019 Grant Recipients
how the pandemic is affecting
them, their projects, and their
respective missions.**

**As of April 24, these are the
responses we received ... remember,
things may have changed by the
time you read this story.**

**Prodisee Pantry
2019 Family
Deann Servos**

Prodisee Pantry has completed the lighting upgrades throughout our building. We have had some technology upgrades.

We will have to wait for distribution to return to normal (we are in Emergency Operations mode) to have the new metal wrapping the building. It takes two weeks and we are doing drive-thru Mass Emergency Food Distributions.

Prodisee Pantry has instituted social distancing in all areas. We have limited our volunteer base to those not under the greatest risk. We are working with a skeleton crew of "newbies" which has challenges. Particularly when tasks that 50-60 people do in an hour, now takes three hours.

We are actually servicing more families. In our first Mass Food Distribution, we gave out 946 food units to Baldwin County families in need. That is nearly a month's worth of food in just a three-hour period. We believe in the coming weeks we will distribute about 40 tons each day.

I am tired but blessed. God provides and we are receiving some great produce donations. Prayer is sustaining us. We will get through this. We are prepared and we continue to restock.

**Light of the City
2018 Family
Barbara Brown**

All of Light of the City's volunteers and families are doing well. It saddens me to share we are not performing any services at this time. I'm hoping everything will get better in time for our spring and summer programs.

**Baldwin County Youth Orchestra
2018 Arts & Culture
LeRoy Hughes**

The grant supports our efforts to expose Baldwin County school children to stringed instruments by expanding our after-school strings program to more schools. Funds are also intended to cover instructor fees at the schools. Due to the Coronavirus, all classes have been canceled.

Baldwin Humane Society
2019 Environment, Preservation & Recreation
Abby Pruet

What is your project? In our Trap-Neuter-Return program, community cats are humanely trapped, transported to a partnering veterinarian to be spayed or neutered, vaccinated, ear-tipped (the universal sign that a community cat has been neutered and vaccinated), and then returned to their outdoor home.

What progress have you made to date? Since being awarded the grant, we have hired our part-time Trap-Neuter-Return Coordinator, who is responsible for the day-to-day activities of the program. We also purchased a vehicle to transport the cats to and from our partnering vet clinics. We officially began trapping on Feb 3. Since that date, we have been able to TNR 78 cats. Most of them have been returned to their original outdoor homes, but those that are adoptable have been brought into our program or transferred to one of our partnering rescue groups.

Has the pandemic delayed your project? Is it on hold? Our TNR coordinator continues to monitor feral cat colonies and is still trapping but he is not holding any face-to-face interactions with property owners or vet clinic staff. We are taking every precaution to make sure that we keep our staff, the public, and our animals healthy and safe.

How are you coping with/managing social distancing at your nonprofit? We've asked all but the most essential volunteers not to come to the facility, but our staff is doing a wonderful job making sure our programs are as successful as ever while maintaining our cleaning and distancing protocols. Our low cost spay/neuter voucher program, our emergency medical aid program, and our adoption program are still going strong. We are currently doing 'by appointment' adoptions only and so far, that has gone very well!

How are you personally feeling? I really think that we will come out of this even stronger than we were before. More and more people are coming to adopt our animals and they continue to send supplies for the cats and dogs. The vet clinics continue to treat our feral and adoptable animals. All in all we have a lot to be grateful for and know we will get through this together.

Do you have any thoughts/advice for Impact 100 members? As long as we remember to be kind to one another and do what we can to keep our community healthy, we will be able to put all this behind us. Plus, if you are ever lonely and want a quarantine buddy, we have lots of cats and dogs you can foster! They are perfect stay at home buddies.

Eastern Shore Repertory Theatre
2019 Arts & Culture
Erin Langley

What is the project? The Impact grant will contribute to the transformation of a new venue, the Nicholson Center in Daphne. This will provide a state-of-the-art rehearsal studio and performance space with plenty of parking.

What progress have you made to date? We are very close to completing the project. The gym has turned into a performing arts space. We have painted the interior and exterior of the building. We've added over sixty feet of full-length mirrors for our students to use during rehearsals. We have added sound paneling to all of the walls which has significantly helped the sound problem. We have hung black curtains on a track around the perimeter to allow the area to be used in theatrical performances.

Has the pandemic delayed your project? Is it on hold? Our Impact 100 project has not been put on hold because of the pandemic. However, our rehearsals and performances will not be able to take place until deemed safe.

How are you coping with/managing social distancing at your nonprofit? It can feel frustrating and difficult because the essence of Eastern Shore Repertory Theatre is community. We are used to rehearsing many days a week for multiple hours, so it has taken some adjusting to get used to this new reality. I've also had to learn many new online platforms to be able to continue to connect with our students and our community.

How have you been able to deliver services/enter tainment/materials/whatever to your constituents? We have had to stop any type of rehearsal or in-person instruction. We have had to cancel or postpone our 7th Annual Theatre on the Bluff production and our June performance of *Circus of Dreams*.

We have been holding virtual rehearsal pods which are separated by age group. They are mostly providing social connection and a sense of community. The students also have many independent creative projects that they're working on and I am excited to see how these turn out.

We also started having Facebook Live Concerts on Sunday evenings at 6pm. These have been an unexpected source of joy and fun! We are hoping to provide summer camps to local students.

How are you personally feeling? It was a blow when we stopped holding rehearsals for *Beauty and the Beast*. There was no feeling of closure. It's a drastic change to be working so intently with a large group of people to then come to a sudden halt. I've had time to work through my feelings about that and I'm focusing now on being as creative as possible. Knowing that large groups of people may not be able to gather together for a long time can feel daunting as a theatre director, but I feel positive that we will figure out ways to provide the arts to our community.

**Jennifer Claire Moore Foundation
2019 Health & Wellness
Megan Melvin**

What is your project? Reaching Baldwin County to educate on mental health through media campaigns. Equipping Baldwin County adults with training on Youth Mental Health First Aid.

What progress have you made to date? There have been two community think tank meetings to ensure campaign direction meets needs. Also, a graphic designer has been secured and plans have begun. There have been four Youth Mental First Aid courses taught.

Has the pandemic delayed your project? Is it on hold? Yes, Youth Mental First Aid courses have been cancelled until social distancing is no longer needed for everyone's health and safety. Unfortunately, there is no remote curriculum developed at this time. We currently have two trainings scheduled in May and will continue to schedule trainings for the remainder of the summer once the Stay-at-Home order is lifted.

How are you coping with/managing social distancing at your nonprofit? We are continuing to post on social media to provide encouragement, hope and tips during these uncertain times.

How have you been able to deliver services to your constituents? With Youth being our main focus and schools being closed until the fall, social media is our main avenue to work through at this time.

How are you personally feeling? With this impacting locally, nationally and globally, I feel a bit overwhelmed by the unknown; however, I certainly do not feel alone.

**Miracle League of Coastal Alabama
2018 Environment, Preservation & Recreation
Bruce White**

What is your project? Playground equipment designed for special needs kids and their families. All equipment has been purchased and the installation is complete.

Has the pandemic delayed your project? Is it on hold? The project is on hold since we are not able to raise donations to complete other parts of the park.

How are you coping with/managing social distancing at your nonprofit? We are not holding any face-to-face meetings at this time. All business is being done over the phone.

How are you personally feeling? I, along with the rest of the committee, am anxiously waiting for this to end.

Do you have any thoughts/advice for Impact 100 members? I say prayers for everyone including all of our donors. My advice . . . put it in God's hands.

**Fairhope-Point Clear Rotary Youth Club
2018 Education
Tracey Miller**

Our 2018 gym renovation to the inside roofing system is complete with Special Thanks to the wonderful ladies at Impact 100. We have replaced and installed a new roofing insulation system, caulked and painted walls, and replaced the overhead garage door in our 11,000 square foot building. Since the project was about improvements to the building where children come to learn and feel safe, we've had to change the way we serve our families due to the pandemic.

Our After-school Program which provides tutoring and homework help as well as counseling and a safe haven for about 150 children is closed for now. We are providing breakfast, snacks and lunch Monday thru Friday in accordance with Feeding the Gulf for children 18 and under, because daily nutrition is so important. This food service is drive-thru only. We have partnered with Fairhope United Methodist Church and the Junior Auxiliary of the Eastern Shore to provide a hot meal and snack/care package to our seniors, sick and shut in, which we deliver.

We have a private Facebook page for our pre-K parents where we post notices, weekly home lesson plans, activities and ideas for online learning. Through Facebook Live and Zoom, we hold our pre-K class just as we would if the children were here, starting with the Pledge of Allegiance. We make available distance learning opportunities from the Atlanta Speech School to develop language and literacy skills, and online activities from Happy Numbers which offers individualized math instruction. Each evening there is a Bedtime Storytime for everyone to take turns sharing books and to chat with each other. We direct our after-school children to online programs that are age/grade appropriate that use fun learning tools to help students achieve academic goals.

We try to make contact with all the children but can't always. This is weighing heavy on our hearts because we know our children need us. Our hearts go out to the parents who have been pushed to have Homeschool sessions with no true instructions on how to master them. We have so much empathy for the parents and we are here to help. We encourage them to contact their teachers first, but we will be here if they need our support.

The pandemic has forced us to slow down, value what's important, spend good quality time with our families, and engage in activities that make us feel better. Maybe one day we will all look back at this time and remember how God allowed the World to be shut down so we can evaluate just what our purpose is, and it's simply just to serve Him as well as Others. I pray we are back up and running by June 1 so we can get our children ready for the Fall.



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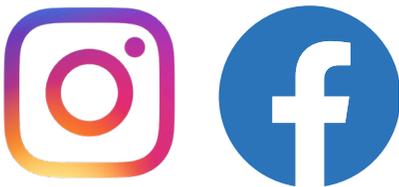
Thank you!

A Virtual First

Impact 100 BC held their annual Grant Workshop via webinar, a video workshop, this year due to safety considerations for everyone involved. It was a great success with many engaged nonprofits joining the session. A record number, 101 people from 65 area nonprofits, registered for the workshop – a clear indication of how much greater the community needs have grown in the past few months. Fifty-four people actually participated and all who registered received a copy of the PowerPoint.



The Q&A panel consisted of Anne Irving, Nancy Lambe, Sandy Stepan, Suzanne Thornburg, and Deann Servos of Prodissee Pantry, a 2019 recipient, who offered the grantee’s point of view. Rounding out the team mounting this event was Barbara Levitt who managed the technical side of this virtual first. Y’all did great!



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