



NeuroHope of Indiana Awarded \$100,000 Grant During Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis Annual Awards Celebration

Charitable women's giving circle celebrates contributing more than \$2.8M to central Indiana nonprofits over its 17-year history

INDIANAPOLIS – June 15, 2022 - Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis, a charitable women's giving circle, awarded a \$100,000 high-impact grant to its 2022 Change Maker NeuroHope of Indiana at its 17th annual awards celebration. Community Support Grants of \$16,750 were also awarded to each of the four Change Maker Finalists; Phalen Leadership Academies, You Yes You! Project, FACE Low Cost Animal Clinic and Paws and Think Inc. The selection of the 2022 Change Maker was made by a vote of the Impact 100 Membership -- giving voice to The Power of Women Giving as One ®.

"It's an honor for NeuroHope, and the families we serve, to be recognized as the 2022 Change Maker," said Founder and Executive Director Chris Leeuw. "We strive to fill a gap in rehabilitative care for people recovering from paralysis. This award will expand our program for a patient population that too often falls through the cracks of care."

NeuroHope of Indiana will utilize their funding to grow and expand their clinic, which will focus on the health of patients after therapy resulting from a spinal cord injury, brain injury, or stroke. The Impact 100 Wellness Center will be the first fully adaptive, wheelchair accessible fitness center in Indianapolis. It will feature specialized equipment, supervised access, and daily group fitness classes. When combined with NeuroHope's existing therapy services, this will create a continuum of care unlike any in the community."

"Impact 100 is honored to recognize and support the missions of all five of our 2022 Change Maker finalists," said Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis President Julianne Robinson. "There continues to be so many individuals not getting services. The need for support in our community remains extremely high right now, and it's more important than ever to ensure we are supporting nonprofits whose work directly benefits central Indiana and its residents. Women giving as one is powerful and we need to continue to come together and 'raise the tide' of philanthropy by connecting NeuroHope of Indiana, our 2022 Change Maker, to the funding they need to create positive change in our community."

This year marks the 17th anniversary of Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis and, following the 2022 celebration, the organization has awarded 74 grants, totaling \$2,868,000 to local nonprofits. Robinson observed, "The Board was very excited to host an in-person event this year, after a two-year hiatus. We believe that our members and supporters benefit from hearing directly from these great nonprofits and remembering our past Change Makers."

Organizations submitted grant applications in January 2022. Five focus area committees vetted one finalist in each focus area. NeuroHope of Indiana, finalist in the Health and Wellness focus area, was one of five organizations providing a presentation during the awards celebration. Additional finalists included: Paws and Think, Inc. (education); FACE Low-Cost Animal Clinic (environmental and animal welfare); Phalen Leadership Academies (arts, culture and preservation) and You Yes You! Project (family). The four remaining finalists received residual community grants of \$16,750 each.

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To date, 20 local nonprofits have received \$100,000 high-impact grants and 54 have received unrestricted, Community Support Grants as a result of Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis' collective giving. Change Makers include: NeuroHope of Indiana (2022); NeighborLink Indianapolis Foundation (2021); Family Promise of Hendricks County (2020); Kennedy King Memorial Initiative (2019); Brookside Community Development Corporation (2018); Trinity Episcopal Church (2018); Volunteers of America of Ohio & Indiana (2017); The IMPACT Project (a joint project between Ascent 121 and Lutheran Child and Family Services) (2016); Indianapolis Parks Foundation for Indy Urban Acres Flower Farm (2015); LifeSmart Youth (2014); Tindley Collegiate (2013); Jameson Camp, Inc. (2012); Outside the Box, Inc. (2011); Rock Steady Boxing (2010); Outreach, Inc. (2009); Herron High School (2008); Horizon House (2008); Indy Reads (2007); Craine House/Fairbanks (2007); and Wishard/Eskenazi (2006).

Women may join Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis by making an individual membership donation of \$1,000. Shared memberships are also available for small groups of women who wish to pool their money together for the \$1,000 donation. These funds are used exclusively for the purpose of grant making. Details on how to become a member can be found [here](#).

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About Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis

Founded in 2006, Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis is a 501(c)(3) charitable women's giving circle dedicated to awarding high impact grants totaling \$100,000 or more to at least one nonprofit in the greater Indianapolis community in the areas of arts, culture and preservation; education; environment and animal welfare; family; and health and wellness. The organization seeks to fund critical needs, new ventures, and innovative ways to solve social problems and to create a more civil and respectful climate in our community. Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis has a minimum of 100 members, each donating \$1,000 per year to fund the grants. For more information about Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis, visit www.impact100indy.org or follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).

About NeuroHope of Indiana

NeuroHope offers continued rehabilitation and wellness following neurologic injury and strives to make long-term access to cutting-edge rehabilitation in Indiana a reality. But the NeuroHope mission extends beyond rehab. We are devoted to bettering the lives of those already living with paralysis by offering specialized, activity based wellness programs. <https://www.neurohopewellness.org/>

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