

Greater Indianapolis

# IMPACT 100

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## **Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis awards 2024 Change Maker**

*Charitable women's circle names 2024 \$100,000 Change Maker grant recipient*

**INDIANAPOLIS** – Yesterday, Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis, a charitable women's giving circle, hosted their 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Ceremony. The women of Impact 100 selected [91 Place](#) as the 2024 Change Maker to receive the \$100,000 grant, allowing them to purchase their current home used to provide stability, safety and a place of belonging for youth experiencing homelessness. They were one of five nonprofits who presented their projects to Impact 100's members.

"This generous gift will have a profound impact on 91 Place, allowing us to purchase our flagship home on the near east side," said 91 Place Founder and CEO Jenna Shaffer. "Thanks to the power of women giving as one, we can continue our mission, without disruption, to break the generational cycle of poverty and homelessness. This award ensures that our young residents will always have a secure place to call home, a place where they are loved and supported as they work toward a brighter future."

Shaffer acknowledged that owning the home will advance the sustainability of the organization, reducing their dependence on rental properties and increase the allocation of resources directly to their programs and services.



During its 19-year history, Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis has granted over \$3.02 million to more than 70 nonprofits in Central Indiana. They have created a community of well-informed women and increased philanthropy across Indianapolis.

“Impact 100 is honored to recognize and support the missions of all five of our 2024 Change Maker finalists, said Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis president, Freedom Smith. The need for support in our community remains extremely high, 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 91 Place, our 2024 Change Maker winner, to the funding they need to create positive change in our community.”

The 2024 grant pool was made possible by Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis’ members, whose funds are used exclusively for the purpose of grantmaking, and donations to the “Friends account” which supports administrative costs. The following finalists received \$11,000 in Community Support Grants:

[Coburn Place Safe Haven](#)

[iibada Dance Company](#)

[Kids’ Voice of Indiana](#)

[Medical Mutts Service Dogs](#)

To date, Impact 100 has awarded 22 Change Maker Grants of \$100,000 or more and 62 Community Support Grants. Previous nonprofits named Change Makers: Unconditional (2023); NeuroHope of Indiana (2022); NeighborLink Indianapolis (2021); Family Promise of Hendricks County (2020); Kennedy King Memorial (2019); Brookside Community and Trinity Haven (2018); Volunteers of America (2017); Ascent 121/LCFS (2016); Indy Urban Acres (2015); LifeSmart Youth (2014); Tindley Collegiate Academy (2013); Jameson Camp (2012); Outside the Box, Inc. (2011); Rock Steady Boxing (2010); Outreach, Inc. (2009); Horizon House and Herron High School (2008); Craine House and Indy Reads (2007); Pecar Health Center (2006).

Membership in Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis is secured through an individual donation of \$1,000. Shared memberships, in which two to four women pool their money to share one vote, are also available.

For more information about Impact 100, please visit [impact100indy.org](http://impact100indy.org).

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**About Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis**

Founded in 2005, Impact 100 Greater Indianapolis is a 501(c)(3) charitable women's giving organization 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](http://www.impact100indy.org) or follow us on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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