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## About Washington Area Women's Foundation

Founded in 1998, Washington Area Women's Foundation transforms the lives of women and girls, the Washington region and the world.

The Foundation connects the DC area with the global movement that recognizes that promoting women's and girl's prosperity is key to stronger, more resilient and healthier communities. We believe in the promise and value of every woman and girl in the Washington area because we know that when they achieve their full potential, our entire region benefits.

Through grantmaking, research and education, and advocacy, we are building a movement and transforming our community.



**Exciting  
Events We're  
Planning for  
2012:**

- Grantee Partner Site Visits
- Educational Forums
- Networking Opportunities
- Community Grantmaking

*More details will be available on our website and in our e-newsletters!*

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**Building a Path  
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## Pathway to a Brighter Future

Dear Friends, Supporters, Neighbors & Community Partners,

What does economic security mean to you? For women and girls in our community, it means having a safe place to live, access to resources, and the opportunity to reach their goals and dreams. But for far too many, economic security has proved elusive. That's why Washington Area Women's Foundation is focusing its resources and work to ensure that economically vulnerable women and girls in our community have the resources they need to thrive.

We know that the prosperity of women and girls is key to stronger, healthier communities. With more than 202,000 women and girls living in poverty in our region, it's critical for us all to ensure that they are on a path to prosperity. It's not acceptable that the number of women and girls living in poverty in our region grew by 14 percent last year.

The time to act is now. Join our movement and together we can create a community where all women and girls reach their full potential.

Nicky Goren  
President



## Our Mission and Vision

### Mission

We mobilize our community to ensure that economically vulnerable women and girls in the Washington region have the resources they need to thrive.

### Vision

The Washington region is a model community that ensures women and girls are on a path to prosperity.

Washington Area Women's Foundation is an influential, respected, visionary national leader of community strategies that enrich the lives of women and girls.

Grantee Partners:

Creating Opportunities



Last year, The Women's Foundation invested in Year Up to support young women entering its job training program.

"I used to balance \$50 a month for child support just for cell phone and diapers," says Kimberly Holloway, a single mother of two young children. "[Making ends meet] was very hard and it gave me the initiative not to be ending up a negative statistic."

Kimberly's determination took her to Year Up, a Women's Foundation Grantee Partner that prepares young adults to begin IT careers. After months of classroom training, participants transition into internships at companies and organizations across the National Capital region. For many, those internships turn into permanent jobs.

"Year Up actually helps to change the mentality of the young people we're working with by helping them to start thinking about what a career looks like," says Executive Director Ronda Harris Thompson.

Kimberly's experience at Year Up led to a position as an Associate Intelligence Analyst at Cyveillance, stability for her and her two children, and new career aspirations.

"It really opened up a lot of opportunities for me financial-wise and professionally," she says, adding that her future goals include applying for a position with the CIA.

To learn more about how Year Up and other Grantee Partners are creating opportunities for women and girls, please visit us at [www.TheWomensFoundation.org](http://www.TheWomensFoundation.org).

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