

**Women's Fund Summer
2025 Grants**

Applicant	Program	Summary
Aging & Disability Resource Center of Brown County	ADRC Caregivers	ADRC of Brown County empowers older adults, adults with disabilities, and caregivers — most of whom are women — through education, support, and advocacy. Funding will expand caregiver programs that build skills, reduce isolation, and improve well-being. With demand rising, this support will help over 240 families access tools, resources, and community to thrive in their caregiving roles.
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Northeast Wisconsin	Youth Mentoring for Girls	Grant funding will help match girls facing adversity with caring female mentors through Big Brothers Big Sisters. With 42 girls currently on the waitlist, this support will provide critical mentorship that builds confidence, strengthens mental health, and empowers girls to reach their full potential.
Brown County Health & Human Services	Parents Supporting Parents	The Brown County Child Protective Services Unit works with children at risk of experiencing neglect and abuse. Funding will bring Parents Supporting Parents, an evidence-based program, to Brown County. The program provides mothers with mentorship from individuals with lived experience within the child welfare system, who have experienced their child being removed from their care and reunified safely. Grant funding will help prepare mentors to support safe family reunification and reduce future child welfare involvement. This program allows children to remain safely with their families and their communities, fosters sustained connections, and increases the opportunity for positive life outcomes.
Encompass Early Education & Care	Child & Family Advocate Program	The program helps stabilize single-mother households by empowering women and ensuring their children thrive in high-quality early education. By addressing barriers mothers face -- like housing and food security -- and providing their children with one-on-one support for developmental/behavioral setbacks, they've increased retention of these at-risk families from just 6 months to over 3 years.
Family & Childcare Resources of Northeastern Wisconsin	Family Childcare	Grant support will expand access to childcare by supporting women in launching home-based childcare businesses. The Family Childcare Program offers training, startup funds, and licensing support to reduce barriers for low-income women, including in rural areas. By creating 10–15 new providers serving up to 120 children, the program boosts employment and economic stability for women while addressing urgent childcare shortages across Brown, Kewaunee, and Oconto counties.
Family Services of Northeast Wisconsin	24/7 Immediate Advocacy Response for Sexual Assault Center	The Sexual Assault Center is a program of Family Services that provides free and confidential support to survivors of sexual assault 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This grant will fully fund after-hours bedside advocacy during Sexual Assault Nurse Exams in Brown County. This service ensures women and girls receive trauma-informed support at one of the most vulnerable moments in their lives — overnight, on weekends, and on holidays. With advocates responding within 30 minutes, this initiative fosters safety, healing, and connection to long-term care for 100+ survivors annually.
Girls on the Run Northeast Wisconsin	Positive Youth Development	Girls on the Run inspires girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident through a fun, experience-based curriculum that creatively integrates running. To date, the organization has served over 5,000 girls, with measurable improvements in self-esteem, physical activity, and social-emotional skills. The program combines physical activity with lessons on confidence, connection, and character. Funding will support the launch of three new teams in Brown and Kewaunee counties, provide partial scholarships to ensure access for all participants, and train new volunteer coaches to lead and mentor the girls.
HER Alliance	General Operating Expenses	Funds will sustain core programs serving over 85 survivors of sex trafficking & commercial sexual exploitation (CSE) in Brown County. Funds will support trauma-informed advocacy, prevention education, jail outreach, and access to basic needs. As the only local organization providing comprehensive care solely for CSE survivors, HER Alliance relies on flexible funding to meet rising needs, maintain staff capacity, and deliver consistent, life-changing services.
House of Hope Green Bay	General Operating Support	Last year, House of Hope served 918 youth and children. Funding will sustain and strengthen their programs serving youth, young mothers, and children experiencing homelessness. Additionally, it will support emergency shelter, rental assistance, mental health and substance use counseling, youth services, and low-barrier housing. General operating funds allow House of Hope to remain responsive to urgent needs, invest in staff and infrastructure, and provide trauma-informed care that helps families build lasting stability.
Journey to Adult Success	Empowering Women through Therapeutic Support	Every year, young women age out of foster care without the necessary resources or support systems to navigate adulthood. Journey to Adult Success addresses this critical gap by meeting their basic needs of housing along with daily coaching and support and most importantly targeted one-on-one therapy in informal, welcoming settings tailored to meet their needs.
Lovin' The Skin I'm In	Uplifting Black and Brown Girls	Lovin' The Skin I'm In empowers Black and Brown girls in Northeast Wisconsin by providing access to opportunities that nurture their talents, leadership, and personal growth. This initiative will serve 800 girls ages 7–18, fostering confidence, mental wellness, and leadership through mentorship, educational workshops, and cultural engagement. In response to systemic inequities that often limit access to enriching experiences, these arts and STEM programs offer creative, empowering pathways for growth and self-discovery.
She Rises Collective	Indigenous Women in Business	She Rises Collective envisions Indigenous women rising — financially, socially, and spiritually — while creating lasting, positive change in their families, communities, and economies. Grant funding will support the Indigenous Women in Business Retreat in Brown County. This event empowers Indigenous women through technical assistance, wellness, and leadership development. It also supports their Indigenous Women in Business database and data collection efforts to track impact, promote visibility, and inform culturally relevant programming.
Wello	Centering the Voices of Black and Mixed Race Young Women in Reproductive Care	Funding will support the implementation of a cohort model designed to center the needs and voices of Black girls to improve their health. In partnership with Lovin' The Skin I'm In and a range of clinical and non-clinical partners, the primary objective of this program is to increase participant's reproductive health literacy, increasing their confidence to navigate care, advocate for their needs, and manage three chronic reproductive conditions that disproportionately impact women of color: endometriosis, uterine fibroids and polycystic ovarian syndrome.
Wise Women Gathering Place	General Operations	Wise Women Gathering Place promotes peace, respect and belonging through skill building, sharing of resources and caring community support. Program services include advocacy, healing, and prevention in domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, sex trafficking and other crimes. Funding will support services for women and youth; including a weekly Women's Empowerment Group focusing on healthy relationships and decision-making, talking circles, community guest speakers, traditional crafts and food gathering to support healing and wellness. Youth programs focus on healthy relationships, healthy boundaries, and healthy communication.