



THE BIG REVEAL 2024

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Impact100 Hunterdon Announces 115 Founding Members and \$100,000 Inaugural Grant

At its Big Reveal event on Wednesday, July 24th, the Hunterdon Chapter of Impact100 announced that 115 Founding Members have joined the organization to date. The event took place at the Stangl Factory in Flemington, NJ and was attended by close to 100. Impact100 Hunterdon is grateful for the continued generosity of Shoprite of Hunterdon County and the Colalillo family, who sponsored the Big Reveal. Also recognized at the event were Binnacle House and Hunterdon Medical Center for their support during this inaugural year as Founding and Gold sponsors respectively.

Jerri May-Grimes, President of Impact100 Hunterdon, shared how the journey began in Spring 2023 with 7 women from diverse backgrounds and areas of the county in the Binnacle House conference room. According to May-Grimes, “We were committed to bringing this powerful initiative to our community. In September of last year, we launched our first event which was a success, and 13 women joined. Today, as I stand here, we are at 115 – and growing. I have been inspired by the many women I have met this past year and realized we share one common thread; we all care deeply about our community.”

Also announced at the event, Impact100 Hunterdon will be making its inaugural grant of \$100,000 this fall. Founding members, sponsors, non-profit leaders, and community stakeholders

came together to toast the first year of giving and the impact that will be made in our Hunterdon community.

The Impact100 model is simple: at least 100 women come together to give at least \$1,000 each so that a \$100,000 transformational grant can be made to a local charity. Impact100 is a place for women who care deeply, who dream wildly, and who believe that, together, they are an unstoppable force for good. Women who are interested in joining as Founding Members have until August 15th to join with their \$1,000 gift.

The 2024 grant cycle launched with the application release on July 1st. Grants are available to eligible nonprofits across five broad focus areas: Arts & Culture; Family; Education; Health & Wellness; and Environment, Preservation, and Recreation. Nonprofits interested in applying are encouraged to review the application and supporting information found at <https://impact100hunterdon.org/>. The deadline for submission of applications is August 16th.

Finalists will be announced in the fall. Every member (registered by August 15th) will cast their vote to determine the winner of the \$100,000. BKC Accounting will oversee and validate the voting process, and the winner will be announced at the chapter's Annual Meeting and celebration on Thursday, November 14th.

Impact100 is dedicated to offering women a framework to help take their philanthropic work to the next level, making a transformational difference in their communities. In closing, May-Grimes offered, "Tonight's event is the beginning of great things for the Hunterdon sisterhood of changemakers. I look forward to us cocreating our chapter's story and the impact we will have on our community."

More than just a fundraising effort, Impact100 Hunterdon provides events, networking, and educational opportunities to gather women together and become a collective force for good. The group aims to spread awareness about the needs in Hunterdon County, the work that Hunterdon nonprofits are doing, and how everyone can make a difference. More information is available at the Impact100 Hunterdon website <https://impact100hunterdon.org/>.

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