Calling All Women!

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Every woman who believes that she, together with other women who care, can make a positive difference in the lives of women and children in our community is invited to the Community Foundation of White County’s eighth annual Women Giving Together fundraising luncheon on June 13th at the Brandywine Convention Center.

This year’s luncheon will welcome Jasmine Dowd, Executive Director of the YWCA Domestic Violence Intervention and Prevention Program in Lafayette, as its keynote speaker. This agency serves Tippecanoe and its surrounding counties, including White County – and yes, White County women and children are on its list of clientele. The Women Giving Together Committee is honored to welcome Jasmine and to help increase awareness of this hurtful and potentially deadly scourge on our society.
The luncheon also celebrates the grants made through the Fund in 2013. Last year, WGT awarded seven grants totaling $7650. Since its inception, WGT has awarded over $44,000 in grants to support education, medical needs, historical preservation, music and the arts, and many other things – all to fulfill the fund’s purpose: to strengthen White County through charitable giving, for the purpose of addressing the hopes and dreams of White County’s women and families.

Women Giving Together has become a very meaningful “giving circle” in our White County community. Donations to WCCF’s Women Giving Together Fund are pooled together for maximum impact; thus, every woman’s donation to the Fund becomes part of a larger whole, capable of greater things. Half of each donation is endowed in a permanent fund which will continue to grow; earnings from the endowed portion of the fund will be available for charitable uses in the community far into the future. The other half of each donation is made available for grants the following year.

Any woman who donates to the Women Giving Together Fund, in whatever amount is meaningful to her, becomes a WGT member. The combined gifts determine the amount available for grants each year. Last year, 122 women donated to the Fund; just think of what could happen if 250 (or 500!) women pooled their passion and resources to benefit our community!

If you would like to become a Women Giving Together member, or if you would like to attend our luncheon on June 14, please contact Leslie Goss at the Community Foundation of White County, 574-583-6911. Lunch cost is $22.00 and reservations must be in by Wednesday, June 4.

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