

WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP INITIATIVE (WLI)

FY17 ANNUAL REPORT



UNITED WAY OF EAST CENTRAL IOWA
**WOMEN'S
LEADERSHIP
INITIATIVE**
women helping women



424 MEMBERS
the most in WLI's history



\$317,000+
pledged by WLI members



10,000+ SERVICES
for local women

Mission

WLI unites funds and resources to ensure the well-being of women in need.

Vision

Women in need have the opportunity to achieve well-being and live prosperous, productive lives, creating healthier communities in Eastern Iowa.

Partners

WLI provides funding to the following partners for a variety of services including prescription and co-pay assistance, dental and vision care, transportation, and care coordination and navigation.

- Area Substance Abuse Council (ASAC)
- Community Health Free Clinic (CHFC)
- Eastern Iowa Health Center (EIHC)

WLI Membership

During the 2016 United Way Campaign, 424 women chose to become members of WLI—the most in its history. WLI is led by a steering committee of 18 women, chaired by Julie Schneekloth of UFG.

Success Story

A young woman, who was pregnant and a type 2 diabetic, was hospitalized and referred to Eastern Iowa Health Center (EIHC). Staff completed the necessary paperwork and found she qualified for the WLI funded program.

After entering the program, the patient received prenatal care she needed and learned to manage her diabetes. Thanks to this preventative care, she delivered a healthy baby. Since receiving regular care and medication at EIHC, the patient has not been hospitalized for diabetic complications.

Last Year's Results

WLI distributed \$303,620 to its three partners. Those partners provided services to local women including:

- 8,379 prescriptions
- 2,103 women received screenings & care coordination
- 436 dental services for women
- 402 women received medical co-pay assistance
- 298 bus passes to healthcare appointments

WLI Navigation & Care Coordination

WLI continues to support improved care for women in our community through programs that meet care gaps and promote wellness.

ASAC—Heart of Iowa

- 63% reported improved functioning at school, work, and/or home
- 64% completed treatment & met their goals

EIHC Navigation & Care Coordination

- 34% screened needed mental health supports & interventions
- 35% screened needed safety planning & crisis interventions
- 52% screened needed basic needs met like food, clothing, or housing
- 88% reported improved functioning at school, work, and/or home

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