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**New DC Women's Philanthropic Organization
Announces Six-Figure Grant Available for Local Non-Profit**

Washington, DC – The new women's philanthropic organization [Impact100 DC](#) — which is dedicated to improving lives in the Greater DC area by collectively funding transformational grants to local nonprofit organizations — announced yesterday that the amount of its 2021 grant will be \$103,000.

"We are proud to be building an organization that reflects the diversity of the greater DC area and can help build bridges across the divides in our community," said Impact100 DC President Ann Vaughn. "We look forward to making a grant to an organization working to address unmet needs in our community, particularly those arising from systemic racism and structural inequity."

Impact100 DC will consider grant applications from nonprofits in the District of Columbia, Montgomery, Prince Georges, Fairfax, and Arlington Counties, and the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, and Falls Church in five focus areas: (1) Arts & Culture; (2) Education; (3) Family; (4) Health & Wellness; and (5) Environment. It will award a single grant of \$103,000 to the organization voted upon by its membership, with priority given to transformational projects that address disparate outcomes resulting from structural racism. The grant recipient will be announced in September 2021.

Newly-elected DC Councilmember Christina Henderson (I-At Large) spoke to Impact100 DC's members at a meeting of its Founding Members last night: "I look forward to working with Impact 100. Making sure that healthcare, education, and our general care is at the forefront is my priority. I am happy to see an organization which holds these ideals as important as well."

The Impact100 model was created by Wendy Steele in 2001. Impact100 DC is part of a network of more than 60 chapters in the US which, to date, have donated nearly \$80 million to worthy local causes.

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Impact100 DC is an all-volunteer women's philanthropic community with a mission of improving lives in the Greater Washington, DC area by collectively funding transformational grants to local nonprofit organizations.

Impact100 DC's vision is

- *To address unmet needs in our community, prioritizing those that result from systemic racism and structural inequity;*
- *To create and sustain a diverse community of dynamic women committed to building bridges across the wide demographic divides in the Washington DC area; and*
- *To empower women as philanthropists and leaders.*