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January Conference Call

Tuesday, January 21
9-10 am PST / noon-1 pm EST

*Where to Go from Here? Designing
and Implementing a Strategic Plan*

Speakers:

Carrie Lee, Past President, [Women's Giving Circle of North Central Florida](#), Gainesville, FL
Carolyn Meade, Incoming Board Chair, [Women's Impact Fund](#), Charlotte, NC

Call In instructions: **712-775-7100** Enter code **1034645#**

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Hello WCGN Members,

We are very excited to kick off 2014 with the announcement that **WCGN is now a 501(c)3!** Please join us on the January 21 call to hear more about the Network's plans. On this call we will dive deep into the topic of strategic planning, as we will also hear from our presenters, Carrie Lee and Carolyn Meade, about their experience with shaping their organizations' future.

I am grateful for your thoughtful responses to our November, 2013 Member Survey, which guided our decisions and planning. I want to also give thanks to our dedicated WCGN Leadership Team for its work to build and strengthen our network, ensuring it will be operationally sound and sustainable for the future. Two special women of the Women's Impact Fund in Charlotte deserve an especially warm thanks -- **Dianne Bailey** for pro bono legal work that made it possible for us to secure 501(c)3 status and **Sonja Nichols** for a generous grant to expedite our application. [Registration](#) for WCGN's 4th collective giving conference is in full swing. Don't delay! There is only one more day (through Jan 15) to get the early bird rate. To date 21 organizations have registered!

Did you know that nonmembers can attend? Many of WCGN's newest members came to our last conference in Austin and were so inspired that they joined soon afterward. Please help us spread the word about this unique opportunity for learning and inspiration to other collective giving organizations that you may know.

I look forward to our call next week.

Warmly,

Laura Midgley

WCGN Chair

[Register](#) Now for the WCGN Conference in St. Louis
Early bird registration prices end January 15!
Women's Collective Giving Leadership Forum 2014

April 8-10

The WCGN Formula For Change

Hosted by WCGN's Spirit of St. Louis Fund

When women know what their communities need, they act. When women combine resources, their ability to create positive change is unlimited. That's the power of collective giving and a prime reason why WCGN's network of women's collective giving groups continues to expand.

Please join us for three days of inspiration, connection, learning, and sharing at the historic Chase Plaza Park Hotel in St. Louis' central west end.

Hosted by the Spirit of St. Louis Fund, WCGN's Fourth National Conference includes:

- Keynote speaker entrepreneur and philanthropist Maxine

Keynote speaker, entrepreneur and philanthropist Marlene Clark, founder of Build-A-Bear Workshop and member of Spirit of St. Louis Fund;

- Luncheon speaker and membership builder extraordinaire Sonja Nichols from Women's Impact Fund, Charlotte, NC;
- Interactive roundtables on best practices, new program ideas, impact measurement, and membership recruitment/retention programs;
- Expert advice on how to strengthen your organization;
- Facilitated small group discussions focused around specific topics of interest;
- Mentoring opportunities; and
- An evening of exclusive networking in SOS members' private homes.

Join us early on April 8 for an optional tour of St. Louis sights in nearby Forest Park.

For more detailed information on the conference, please [click here](#).

Browse the Member Website to review the [Member Profiles](#).

Last year our member organizations - representing nearly 8,000 women - invested more than \$7.6 million in their communities!

Learn more about your sister organizations' membership, organizational structure, grant focus areas and the educational programs they delivered last year.

We are still seeking profiles from the following organizations: Impact Giving, Women's Fund of Smith County, Womenade Boston.

[Member Organization Profile form](#)

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