



Creating a Strong Community

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The New Albany Women's Network reaches \$1million in fundraising efforts

The New Albany Women's Network (NAWN) is proud to announce that the organization has reached a significant milestone in reaching \$1million in funds through various philanthropic efforts. The funds have been utilized over the last 19 years to support initiatives in the New Albany community and for central Ohio charitable organizations focused on serving women and children.

NAWN, and its 350 members, holds two major fundraising events annually, the Annual Charity Fashion Show and An Evening in New Albany, both of which are open to the public. The proceeds from the Annual Charity Fashion Show benefit a central Ohio charitable organization that is selected each year by the NAWN Board, and which benefits women and children. The proceeds from An Evening in New Albany go to NAWN's Endowment Fund, a "charitable savings account" that provides investment income that may be used to make grants to worthy local causes or other nonprofit organizations that support NAWN's mission of "creating a strong community."

Since the inception of the Endowment Fund, NAWN has donated more than \$40,000 to various local causes and non-profit organizations, including New Albany Safety Town, Columbus Metropolitan Library Homework Help Center, Healthy New Albany Community Garden, New Albany Special Olympics, the Scholar Author Series at the New Albany Plain Local Schools, and scholarships to graduating New Albany High School seniors for exemplary community service.

NAWN's most recent An Evening in New Albany, held on Friday, May 5 at the New Albany Country Club, sold out for the third year in a row and through ticket sales and a silent auction, helped NAWN reach and exceed the \$1 million mark.

NAWN President Tenielle Comerford says "Since our beginning we have supported 25 different central Ohio charitable organizations, as well as having increased the level of our Endowment Fund. NAWN exists to provide a network for all women who live, work, or have an interest in New Albany, Ohio, and to enrich and foster a united, strong community through various social, charitable, educational and community outreach opportunities."

Interested community members can make a tax-deductible donation to NAWN at any time by visiting NAWN.org. For more information or for more specific ways to support or join NAWN, please contact president@NAWN.org

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The New Albany Women's Network, established in 1998, is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that exists to provide a network for all women who live or work in New Albany to enrich and foster a united community through various social, educational, outreach, and charitable programs. All are invited to join the organization. More information is available at www.NAWN.org