

MetroWest Women's Alliance

Mini-grant Criteria

The *MetroWest Women's Alliance* is offering mini-grants, historically awarded in the range of \$500 - \$2000 each for activities or events that meet the following criteria:

- Must be an activity or an event that is aligned with, and addresses the mission of the **MWA** promoting the well-being of women and girls. Of particular interest is the focus primarily on activities that address domestic violence prevention and economic independence for women and girls. Other topics will be considered and may include such topics as educational opportunities for girls, social issues facing girls today, teen pregnancy, women's health issues and empowerment.
- The entity applying for a mini-grant must be located in and serve the residents of the United Way of Tri-County's service area (see map).
- Must be a not for profit 501(c)(3) organization or have a partnership with a fiscal agent who is a 501(c)(3), and must provide a copy of the organization's 501(c)(3) status determination letter (from the IRS).
- The event or activity must provide visibility to the **MWA** and its focus areas in at least three of the following six ways:
 - Demonstrates and or provides a platform for building community awareness of the **MWA** mission.
 - Credits the **MWA** mini-grant by using the *MetroWest Women's Alliance* logo in all promotion for the activity.
 - Credits the **MWA** mini-grant by using the *MetroWest Women's Alliance logos* in all printed materials produced for the program or activity that is sponsored.
 - Prominently displays the **MWA** marketing materials at the event or program.
 - Acknowledges the mini-grant from the **MWA** as a part of the program, if it is a program with a speaker or speakers.

- Acknowledges the **MWA** mini-grant in all press releases for the program or activity, or in a write-up about the program or activity in your organization newsletter.

Mini-grant requests will be reviewed by the **MWA** and awarded on the basis of the merit of the application as it exemplifies the criteria listed above. The awards will be made two times during the year. (fall and spring)

NOTE: If you receive a mini-grant you must agree to

- Inform the **MWA** of the confirmed date of event or commencement date of program 2 weeks following the grant confirmation
- Send copies to the **MWA** of any correspondence, media releases, or memos describing the event 2 weeks prior to the event
- Execute event within 4 months of receipt of the grant confirmation
- File a report regarding the event 30 days following the event sponsored. If there is any evaluation of the activity/event that is conducted by your organization you must agree to share those results with the **MWA**.