

11th Annual
Circle of Sisters Celebration

Luncheon & Silent Auction



**Changing lives,
one woman at a time.**

University of Northern Colorado
Campus Commons
Saturday, May 6, 2023
11:00 am – 2:00 pm



Thank you to all the businesses, individuals and organizations that have generously supported Women2Women and have joined us today to celebrate the Circle of Sisters Celebration!

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...Imagine a young student with the talent and drive to succeed but not enough money to pay for lab supplies or textbooks...

...a single working mother with young children that has secured safe housing but lacks the money to cover the required deposit...

Or a senior woman who needs new glasses to help her see clearly and maintain her "lifeline" of part-time employment.

An organization of women, committed to providing women like these with a one-time, immediate financial assistance...that's Women2Women.

At Women2Women we provide one-time emergency financial assistance that provides a "hand-up" to Weld County women and their families.

We do this through a referral system with other non-profit organizations and provide a financial alternative for emergencies that might not otherwise be funded.

The majority of approved requests are funded within 24 to 48 hours with payment going directly to the service provider which ensures the funds are returned back to our Weld County community.

Most importantly, the donations we receive today will be used to assist women in crisis. The support of our Weld County community, people like you, is what allows us to continue to do the important work that we do.

Thank you...

for joining us today and supporting Women2Women.

Dr. Liz Clark

President

Women2Women Board of Directors

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Agenda

Silent Auction closes at Noon

Welcome	Karen Wainscott
Recognition of Decade Sponsor	Karen Wainscott -The Weld Trust
Recognition of Presenting Sponsors	Karen Wainscott -Chevron -Lone Tree Services
Other Recognitions and Announcements	Karen Wainscott
Recognition of Madison Croissant	Karen Wainscott
Recipient Thank You Letter	Jean Daviet
Recipient Thank You Letter	Kristi Rankin
Remarks from W2W Director	Lauris Laue
Recipient Thank You Letter	Liz Sauter
Program Address	Karen Wainscott
Paddle Game	Tara Rasmuson
Recipient Thank You Letter	Beckie Croissant
Kay Broderius "Hand Up" Award	Lauris Laue
-Poem: Nancy O'Brian	
-Recipient: Patty Gates	
Closing Remarks	Karen Wainscott





100 x \$100 Campaign

In 2009, Women2Women was started when the founding members each asked 10 friends to donate \$100, raising \$11,000 in 37 days. Each year the tradition of asking friends for help continues the last 100 days of the year. **To date your donations have raised over \$1 million. Thank you so much** – your contributions provide needed funding for one-time financial assistance to women in our community.

We also direct your donations to local community vendors who provide the direct services to the Weld County women we serve. As the need to assist Weld County women grows, community members like YOU investing in our mission helps to meet community demands. Through support of women in crisis Women2Women positively impacts hundreds of lives in Weld County. **Thank you again for your support!**

The Power of the Purse



***“Thank you so much for this help and all that you do!
W2W is such a blessing to our community”.***

Kay Broderius 2023 “Hand Up” Recipient Patty Gates



For most of you here today Patty Gates needs no introduction. Her tireless dedication to the benefit of Greeley and its community needs has made her familiar to many of us.

Patty is a Greeley native, married to husband John and has two sons, Jared and Zach St. Aubyn. Patty has been recognized as a Woman of Distinction in the Banking and Finance Sector of Bizwest, named Citizen of the Year by the Greeley Area Realtors Association, recognized as a Business Leader at the Celebrating Women Gala, and along with husband John, named Weld County Distinguished Citizens by the Boy Scouts of America.

As well as being a busy professional in the banking industry, Patty has served positions on 18 different civic/community service organizations including Past President and board member of Women2Women.

Our current Board President Dr. Liz Clark credits Patty with helping her find her love for Women2Women through her example as a driven and passionate leader. Patty is a true asset to our community, and it is our honor to present her with the 2023 Kay Broderius “Hand Up” Award.

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We collaborate with numerous Weld County agencies. All requests for grant funding must be made by a referring Weld County nonprofit organization.

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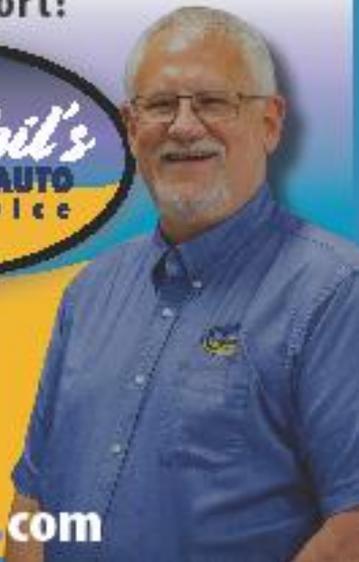
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Many years ago I felt like I could trust a divorced mother who was struggling, so I took care of fixing her car and told her to pay when she could. It took several years to get her bill cleared up and there were gaps in time when I did not hear from her. But she did finally get the bill paid (by mail and I never spoke with her) and life just went on.

A couple years went by and one day she walked in the front door of the shop, looking for me. What she told me that day is why I support Women2Women and what they do in our community. She said: You trusted me when no one else would. That trust is what pulled me onward and out of the hole I had found myself in. She was now happily remarried, financially stable and happy with her life.

I was blessed to be part of her story and I know that other women can have that same result in their lives because of what Women2Women does.

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"Thank you so much! There have been times when I felt like with all the burdens, I was unsure life was worth living. This help from Women2Women helped lessen the load off my shoulders and gave me some relief."

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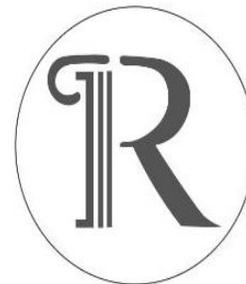
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"Thank you for providing me the support to repair my car. As a single mom of three kids, my car is essential for getting my children to school and for me getting to work. The help is a blessing, and I am grateful to you."



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Women2Women

A 501(c)(3) dedicated to providing monetary assistance to women with unexpected and immediate financial needs that cannot be met by other community resources.

Thanks to supporters like you, we've helped over 2,230 women and their families since May 2009 and put over \$1,254,000 back into our local community.

Thank you for attending the
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We hope that you have been inspired and lifted up by the stories of hope that have been shared with you today.

To find out more about Women2Women and discover ways you can help, visit www.weldw2w.org



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