



January 1- December 31, 2022 Annual Impact Report



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Message from Executive Director

Dear Friends,

We are still feeling effects of the Covid pandemic. We hope you all are staying healthy and hopeful.

This is our second annual impact report from JAN-DEC as we changed our fiscal year at the end of 2020 with IRS approval.

Our Mission:

Inspiring Girls and Women to Create Their Own Legacies. 'Recognizing Women. Inspiring Girls.'

We are working to create a generation of changemakers who will impact their communities and the girls who come behind them through our women's art exhibit and education programs for girls.

This recognition of notable women with ties to Fort Collins who have contributed to the fabric of our community will be the foundation of our art/education project.

We support the following education components:

- 5th-8th grade role model/mentor art workshops: These were to be initiated in April 2020. Due to Covid they were postponed until 2022.
- Girl Leaders/Success for Teens school year program: We initiated this program in February 2021.
- PSD curriculum for 2nd Grade Fort Collins History, 4th Grade Colorado History, Middle/High School Social Studies and Art Classes: This curriculum is tentatively planned to be written, in conjunction with PSD teachers, during summer of 2024 after the first twelve portraits are installed at the end of 2023.
- CSU curriculum for Women's Studies/Ethics Department: To be initiated after permanent installation is completed.
- Women for Women Community Forums to discuss the art exhibit, content and women's issues: To be initiated Fall, 2023.

Many of you may not know that I taught high school students for 12 years when the Larimer Campus of Front Range Community College first came to our community. I also spent 20 years as a Health Education Consultant helping school districts all over Colorado create year-long programs to introduce their students to the healthcare professions. I especially enjoy working with high school students and underserved populations.

I and our Board of Directors are passionate about our mission. You will learn more in this report about the impact of your partnership.

Patti A. Smith, R.N.

Founder/Executive Director



Mission Statement

We are creating **Living Her Legacy** to inspire women and girls to discover themselves in the many talents, contributions, and achievements of women, both past and present, in our Fort Collins community.

"Inspiring Girls and Women to Create Their Own Legacies"

Recognizing Women. Inspiring Girls.

Vision

Living Her Legacy is Recognizing Women and Inspiring Girls. We work to create a generation of change makers who will impact their communities and the girls who come behind them, with our women's art exhibit and our education programs for girls.

Programs: These programs were planned and/or took place in 2022.

Role Model/Mentors



Through our [Role Model/Mentor art workshops](#) we collaborate with Title I elementary schools and youth organizations supporting underserved 5th-8th grade girls in an Inter-generational environment each paired with a senior woman community member. Visit here: <https://www.livingherlegacy.org/photo-gallery> to see our event photos.

This curriculum includes definitions of role model/mentors, sharing experiences growing up, question prompts to aid discussions, meeting a Legacy Honoree, discussing legacy honorees' life journeys and a shared art project depicting what was discussed and learned together.

There will also be opportunities for 5th grade boys to be paired with a senior male participant.

Our artist creator of this project is Trish Murtha, one of our artists. She has many years of experience working with students in similar projects. (Initiated Spring 2022)

Girl Leaders



Through our core program '[Girls Leaders'/Success for Teens](#), for girls and teen moms ages 16-19, we are empowering the next generation of community participants, leaders, problem solvers and change makers.

LHL collaborates with schools and youth organizations supporting underserved girls and teen moms primarily from alternative high schools.

Our curriculum includes project-based content that teaches essential 21st Century Skills, including career discussion, critical thinking, creative problem solving, work ethics, civic engagement, financial planning, personal development, character development and entrepreneurship. This program also includes an internship and a scholarship after successful completion.

This program ran from February 2021 to August 30, 2021. We were asked to wait until Fall, 2023 to restart this program due to students' covid stress. You can view a photo collage here: <https://www.livingherlegacy.org/photo-gallery>

PSD Curriculum



We have had a relationship with the PSD Curriculum Director, Robert Beauchamp, since February 2015. We have recently received a letter stating their partnership with our nonprofit to introduce students to these Legacy Honoree life journeys. We will work with the PSD teachers to help write the curriculum beginning the summer 2024 following the permanent installation of the first twelve portraits.

The [curriculum for the Poudre School District \(PSD\)](#) will be offered in the following grade levels:

2nd grade Fort Collins history, 4th grade Colorado history, Middle/High School Social Studies and Art classes. We will also work with the PSD Art Coordinator and the Social Studies Coordinator.

Art Installation



We were able to install the second 4 Legacy Honoree temporary portraits in April 2022. We plan more installations in 2023. Due to the fact that CooperSmith's didn't renew their Poolside lease in September 2022, our time table for more installations in 2023 are on hold at this time. Stay tuned to our social media for updates.

You can learn more and view our installation processes at www.LivingHerLegacy.org/photo-gallery

Meet Our Board of Directors



Judith Barth, PH.D., President: Colorado State University Extension, Director of Operations/Retired. Board member since 2018.

“I support Living Her Legacy because too often women’s contributions have been overlooked. Throughout Fort Collins’ history, women have made significant differences in our community and society. These contributions need to be recognized and celebrated. I believe that Living Her Legacy will inspire future generations of young women to dare to make a difference. We showcase women’s historical contributions to Fort Collins and provide a legacy and inspiration for young women today.”



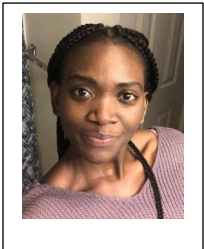
Chris McPhail, Treasurer: Senior Vice-President Relationship Manager, Independent Bank. Board member since 2022.

“I choose to support LHL for the positive aspects of providing role models to future generations. As a father of 2 girls, I realize how important it is to motivate young women by showing them examples of successful women. This is something my family can view on our trips to Old Town and discuss. Having a positive role model in a child’s life can help guide them to adulthood.”



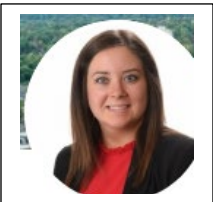
Shelia Kolacz, Secretary: Sprague Roofing and Exteriors, Administration. Board member since 2022. Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR) Certification

“Supporting the work of Living Her Legacy was an easy decision for me. Having worked in primarily male-dominated fields throughout my career, there is no more cherished mission than “Empowering Women. Inspiring Girls.” I believe that when we inspire girls to become empowered women through activities like the Girls' Leadership Program, we contribute to raising a generation of strong and caring leaders. Beyond the work being done to support girls and women every day, I believe that sharing the Legacy Honorees' stories gives them not only a permanent voice in our community, but also lends excitement for passersby who see the art installations and inspires the courage to start living their legacies, too.”



Michelan Wilson, Director: CSU Ph. D. Economics Candidate. Board member since 2023.

Michelan grew up in Jamaica and came to Fort Collins in 2017 to pursue her Master’s and Ph.D. in Economics. Michelan began her volunteering love at age of 14 while in high school. She began by reading for students who were blind and visually impaired. She assisted the students with their university experiences in various aspects of their life. Michelan joined the LHL board so that she can once again provide services, whether it be mentoring, or other projects related to the underserved population within her community. Michelan feels that LHL will allow her to serve in ways that will broaden her horizons and open doors for her to once again advocate for the needs of the underrepresented.



Taylor Smith, Director: City of Fort Collins Utility Department Customer Services Representative. Board member since 2023

Taylor has 10 years in arts and many years in volunteer service. “I want to have a greater impact on my community and utilize the resources I have to further LHL’s mission. Serving on the LHL Board of Directors, I hope to be an asset by offering my connections within the City of Fort Collins as well as with local musicians and artists. I also hope to provide a new perspective and offer the knowledge I have gathered being in the Northern Colorado area my whole life.”



Jacqueline Thain- Director, NOSH Field Representative, Board member 2023

“I love working with non-profit organizations, either as a volunteer, advocate, or fundraiser. I’ve volunteered with multiple faith-based organizations, as well as those fighting against sex trafficking. At this stage of my life, I’m raising three school-age children with my husband of 14 years and launching my own business, a flower farm. I also work in sales and client success for Nosh, a restaurant-owned delivery service that puts restaurants and customers before profit, creates employment, and makes sure the dollars you spend stay in the community. Our life is busy, and I’m extremely picky about the causes I devote my time toward. Joining the Living Her Legacy board is a delight and an honor.”

Ex-Officio Board Members (We are grateful as they stay on to provide support in their specialty areas)



Sonia Cooper, Marketing Consultant. Sonia is a Self-directed, innovative, business owner with proven experience, expertise, and perseverance to successfully coordinate sales and management activities. Sonia is the President of Global Cooper Inc, West Palm Beach, FL which is a financial consulting program for business. She was previously a Senior Account Executive, BellSouth Telecommunications. Sonia has also been very involved in community in the following areas: Impact Palm Beach Member, FL; Quid Novi Innovation volunteer, CO and Rotary International Member, Program Chair, CO. Board member since 2018.



Natalie Phillips, Streamyard Podcasting Consultant. Natalie is an Audiologist in FC. She, provides her professional services to many in the United States and other countries as a Global Hearing Ambassador to deliver the gift of hearing. She is the Founder/CEO of Connect4Excellence, a business which highlights women's accomplishments through podcasts. She initiated this company to assist individuals and businesses develop their brand, communicate their brand across social media platforms, create and run events, and bring awareness to ways companies can build social impact into their business models. She is the author of ACT Now! A Simple Guide to Take Action on Your Greatest Goals and Dreams. Board member since 2018.



Jason Smith, Development Consultant: Jason is the Assistant Vice President for Development-Humanities and the Arts, University of Chicago. Previously Jason worked as the Development Director at UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA; University of Denver, Colorado as Development Director, at Access Fund headquarters in Boulder, CO; and on Development Team at Lake Forest Academy, Lake Forest, IL. Board member since 2018.



Caridad Souza, Program Consultant: Caridad is the Director/ Assistant Professor, of the Colorado State University Women's Studies/Ethnic Studies and Gender Research Department. Caridad has many years' experience in both the US and globally, with expertise in social policy, qualitative social research, and social theory. Caridad has a life-long passion for support of women and ethnic group equality. Board member since 2018.

Thank You to ALL Our Donors JAN-DEC 2022



Centennial Leasing and Sales Office 6-year annual sponsor
~ Judy our President/
Bookkeeper with Steve Smith

FY JAN 1, 2022-DEC 31 2022
Total Revenue/Income-\$36,154.27
Total Program Expenses-\$9,513.30
Total Admin Expenses-\$4,756.63
Total Funding Expenses-\$14,263.68
Total Ending Assets-\$13,088.19



Thank YOU to our new cohort of 4 women who have joined us in our Circle of 50 Sustainers, who donate \$1000 annually to our general fund. We are grateful for your partnership in our mission!

- *Sonia Cooper
- *Melissa Venable
- *Judy Barth
- *Lauri Whitted

Who do you know who might want to join us?

First 24 Legacy Honorees



Ann Azari



Becky Hammon



Betty Aragon-Mitotes



Brownie McGraw



Denise Freestone



'Auntie'
Elizabeth Stone



Gladys L. Eddy



Hattie McDaniel



Joan C. King



Martha Trimble



Sr. Mary Alice
Murphy



Temple Grandin



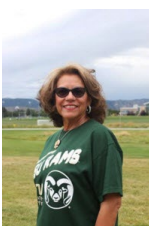
Blanche Hughes



Denny Moyer



Diana Wall



Guadalupe
Salazar



Jerri Schmitz



Jovita Lobato



Kim Jordan



Lydia Dody



Nancy Gray



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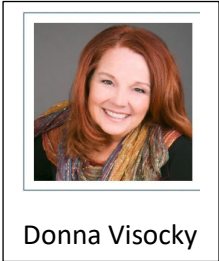
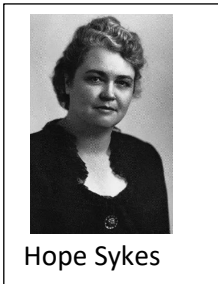
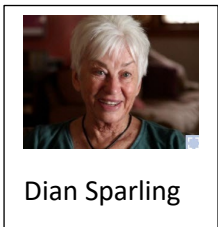
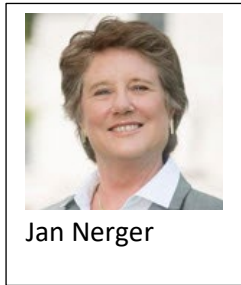
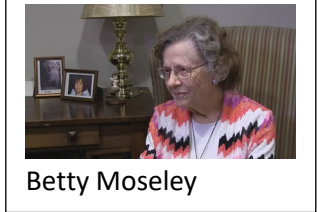
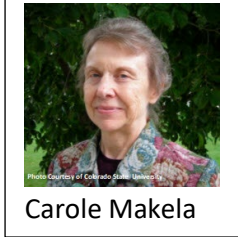
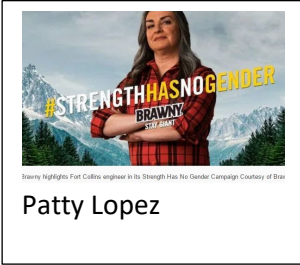
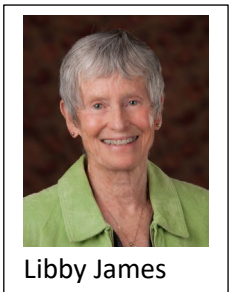
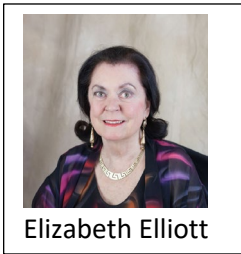
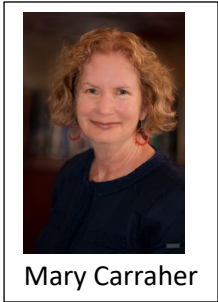
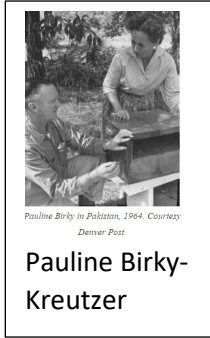


Susan Kirkpatrick



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Next 24 Legacy Honorees



To learn about these Legacy Honoree's impact, go to <https://www.livingherlegacy.org/sponsor-portrait>

Your support

has helped us to accomplish the following and so much more in 2022:

1. Provided artist payments for the creation of legacy portraits.
2. Provided sculptor payments for the bronze frames which includes payments for the mold maker and foundry.
3. Provided for one two-page ad of all (48) forty-eight legacy honorees in four issues of the Discover Fort Collins magazine to market our Legacy Honoree sponsorship program. Currently we have five sponsorships at \$2500 each. This funding goes towards our sculptor, foundry, and portrait artist.
4. Supported marketing, mailings and donor thank-you's in various publications, and hosted donor/planning team/volunteer thank you events and fundraising events.
5. Initiated our Circle of 50 sustainer group of 50 women who give \$1000 annually, for at least 3 years, to our general fund. We currently have 4 women sustainers. Do you know anyone who might be interested to join them?
6. Participated in an inaugural golf tournament hosted by Sprague Roofing and Exteriors and earned \$4800 from their efforts. They supported Living Her Legacy and Hope Lives with this endeavor. We were very grateful for their support.
7. Held two Role Model Art Workshops: one at Wellington Boys/Girls club and one for the Mattews House for 5th -8th grade girls.
8. Delivered 60 valentine cookies to supporters/volunteers in February.
9. Hosted Legacy Honoree recognition events:
 - a. Provided a yellow rose for each of our Legacy Honorees during International Women's Day, March 8.
 - b. Installed the second temporary art exhibit of 4 Legacy Honorees portraits in April 2022 in Old Town Fort Collins.
10. Hosted our 4th speaker series: Impactful Women. Inspiring Lives in the spring. You can view these on our You Tube Channel: LivingHer (space) Legacy or on You Tube: @livingherlegacy5989
11. Delivered 80 gratitude cookies in Oct./Nov. to donors as we did not hold a specific donor event in 2022.
12. Held our RISE: Women's Concert Nov. 3rd at the Rio Grande Restaurant in Fort Collins and raised \$3,306.97. You can visit <https://www.livingherlegacy.org/photo-gallery> to see photo collages of our past events.

We could not be where we are today without your continued support. We are very appreciative of each and every one of you. Thank you for believing in our mission and joining our family of supporters!

Looking Forward

We are continually learning and moving forward.

We plan to continue to be out in the community honoring our Legacy women anyway that we can:

1. We have partnered with the Zonta Club of Fort Collins for several years to send our Legacy Honorees yellow roses in March during Women's History Month and in honor of International Women's Day, March 8th.
2. We have partnered with G.L.O.B.A.L. Justice, Inc. at their Women Empowering Women event and several of our Legacy Honorees have been speakers sharing their life journeys.
3. We participate in many community events to share this project and our Legacy Honoree's stories, including the Morning Rotary Club and the Business Women's Network of Fort Collins.
4. We attend the Northern Colorado Business Women's Network, and are a member of the Fort Collins Chamber Red Carpet Committee and the 4BR business group.
5. We are an approved BBB Charity and hold a Platinum level seal with Guidestar.
6. We have planned our nonprofit inaugural golf tournament for May 19, 2023 with Sprague Roofing and Exteriors support again.
7. We launched our newly designed website in April 2022. We hope you will visit it at www.LivingHerLegacy.org and share it with your colleagues, family and friends.
8. We send newsletters at least every other month with updates and are creating blog posts monthly on our newly designed website.
9. We are working towards our 3rd unveiling event in Fall 2023.
10. We are planning to continue hosting the Role Model Art Workshop programs in 2023 at nonprofits during spring months and move into after school programming in Title I elementary schools in Fall 2023.
11. We plan to continue our Girl Leaders program in Fall 2023.
12. We are planning to initiate our Women for Women Forum in Fall 2023.
13. We are looking for a few more dedicated board members, do you know anyone who might be interested?

We have learned along the way with the input from everyone we met. Thank you to all for your input and support.

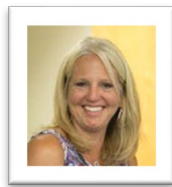
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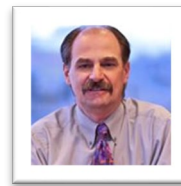
Patti Smith
Project Chair 2013
Executive Director
2018



Rachael Davis Co-Chair 2013
Project Art Director/
Portrait Artist 2013



Kirsten Johnson
Corresponding Secretary
2014-2021



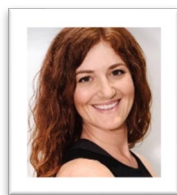
RJ Clay
Videographer / Music
Consultant 2015



Barbara Fleming
Author/ Writer
Extraordinaire 2015-
Deceased 2021



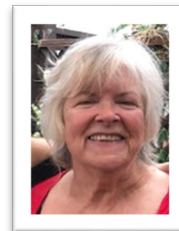
Rosann Winn
Music Consultant
2017



Alyse Smith
Graphic Designer
2017



Julie Ulstrup
Photographer
2017



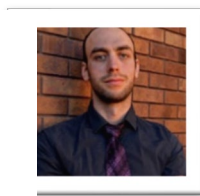
Trish Murtha 2017
Role Model Art workshop
Curriculum/Product
Co-Creator



Leslie Carol Botha
Social Media
Face Book Posting 2018



Judith Barth
Bookkeeper
2019



Alex Koenigsberg
Grant Writer
Arula, Inc.
2019

Hannah Hayes
non-profit
Grant Writer
Aurla, Inc.
2021-2022

Brenda Davison
Website Designer
Field of Dreams
2021

Testimonies

Karen McWilliams, FC Historic Preservation Society “I strongly support the Zonta Club of Fort Collins ‘Women’s Legacy Mural.’ I want my daughter to be exposed to and appreciate the significant contributions of women to our community throughout FC History.”

Matthew Robenalt, DDA Executive Director “Storytelling through art is a powerful form of Interpersonal communication, particularly when communicating an authentic experience of a city. The Zonta Club’s mural project, which will be highly visible to local and tourism guests of Old Town Square, imparts the spontaneity of publicly displayed art and place-making with the importance of reflecting on the stories of people that have made Fort Collins an intriguing place to visit, live, work and play.”

Katy Schneider, Marketing Director Visit Fort Collins “Fort Collins has a large appreciation for public art and adding an element of personal story telling through photographs would only heighten the attractiveness of the variety we have to offer visitors.”

One of collaborators at Poudre School District, Laura Cronen, Previous District Art Coordinator, said the following about the project:

“Upon learning about the Her Legacy: Women of Fort Collins mural project I was excited for the unique addition to the culture of the Fort Collins community. The renderings by artist Rachel Davis capture each of the women represented in a wood cut print that have a timeless quality and will be enjoyed for years to come. Additionally, as the Visual Arts Curriculum Facilitator in Poudre School District, I look forward to collaborating with the Zonta Club to bring the artworks and historical information surrounding each of the chosen significant women in the Fort Collins Community to the schools. This will highlight both the arts and the accomplishments of women in Fort Collins and serve as an inspiration to girls and women to reach for their dreams as they learn about influential women, past and present, in their own community.”

Donor Comments

~ Hooray! What a great project ~ A great project supporting local women ~ Good luck! ~This is such a worthwhile project! ~ So excited to see women being recognized for the incredible work they do every day. This project is a big step forward for women everywhere! ~ I look forward to reading about each woman’s legacy ~ Projects like this are so important, and I’m glad that these women are getting the recognition they so deserve ~I chose to give because women’s contributions to Fort Collins are and have been vital to the community and so need to be recognized ~ Wonderful program! ~ Good luck, I hope you make your goal! ~ In honor of the women of Fort Collins~ Women’s contributions have so long been overlooked or forgotten, so I support anything that helps bring these stories to light ~

We Need Your Help

Every Penny Matters

There are several ways to become a donor/supporter:

Share our project with your colleagues, family, friends and/or women's groups.

Visit: www.HerLegacyFCdonate.org or Text **GIVE** to 970-431-8980

Donate a vehicle: Call 855.500 (RIDE) (7433) or go to <https://careasy.org/Living-Her-Legacy>. They strive to accept all types of donated vehicles (running or not) including cars, trucks, trailers, boats, RVs, motorcycles, campers, off-road vehicles, planes, heavy equipment, farm machinery, and most other motorized vehicles. CarEasy will do all the work, no cost to you except your time to make the call. Tell them it is for Living Her Legacy, Fort Collins, CO

You can also donate by mail by sending a check to Living Her Legacy, 2519 S. Shields ST., 1K #132, Fort Collins, CO 80526

We are a 501(c)(3) IRS approved nonprofit.



Volunteer and Help Make a Difference

Not everyone can make a financial contribution. We welcome help with our education programs in either our 5th - 8th grade girls' role model/mentor art workshops or the Girl Leaders program.

- Volunteer with the events or educational programs
- Volunteer to help write thank you notes
- Volunteer in a different way: Share your skills.

Please visit our website www.LivingHerLegacy.org to learn more or call us at 970-988-8529. Send this form by mail to our mailbox at 2519 S Shields St.1 K #132, Fort Collins, CO 80526, email as an attachment to us at Info@LivingHerLegacy.org or text a photo of this form to the phone number listed above. We look forward to talking with you.

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

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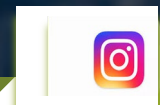


We are excited about our new app. Living Her Legacy is using LetsAllDoGood to deliver occasional updates directly to your mobile phone. Stay up to date on our upcoming events, impact & sponsor offers.

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https://www.instagram.com/Living_her_legacy/



YouTube: LivingHer (space) Legacy to view our speaker series and more