

Student Impact Mini-Grants 2020-2021 AAUW-PA

AAUW—PA is offering a new leadership program for 2020-2021 to award Impact Mini-Grants to further advocacy efforts across Pennsylvania. The grants will be awarded to undergraduate student(s) to start or continue advocacy project at the local level.

Need some seed money for your new activity? Or have an ongoing advocacy activity that needs funding? Here are some ways you may use the mini-grant award.

- Print materials for voter registration or other program
- Publicity and marketing
- Refreshments
- Swag give away to spotlight your program/campaign
- Supplies for hands on activities
- Printing materials for campus tabling events
- Virtual meeting/event tools
- Printing and postage costs for postcard mailing campaign to legislators on an issue

The Impact Mini-Grant **application deadline is October 30, 2020** and will be awarded on a first come, first serve bases. The grant application selected will be eligible to receive a **grant of up to \$200**. The application form is on page 3. **Submit application, college/university representative or AAUW PA Member letter of recommendation to Peggy Schmiedecke AAUWPACU@gmail.com Subject: AAUW-PA Student Impact Mini-Grant Application.**

What interests do you or the students on your campus have? Looking for ideas? Check out ideas, key planning dates and resources below:

Need Ideas - continue or start one of these programs:

- STEM Programs
- Get Out The Vote (GOTV) activities
- Equal Pay Day activity - attend/conduct live virtual event
- Sister-to-Sister Summits for 8th grade girls
- Start Smart or Work Smart salary negotiation registration campaign for virtual seminars
- Supporting the local women's shelter
- Take Back the Night
- #metoo movement through the lens of workplace sexual harassment
- Title IX Know Your Rights

Key dates for planning potential grant activities:

October/November/April – GOTV

October – Domestic Violence Against Women Month (VAW) The Day of Unity is celebrated the first Monday in October. Activities are varied and diverse and are observed during the month of October.

November – Transgender Awareness Week

16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence - November 25- International Day Against Violence Against Women- **and December 10-** International Human Rights Day- in order to symbolically link violence against women and human rights and to emphasize that such violence is a violation of human rights

January – Human Trafficking Awareness Month

February – Black History Month

March/April – Equal Pay Day

April – Sexual Assault Awareness Month on College Campuses

RESOURCES:

STEM info and hands-on STEMpacks and community programs take the first step toward inspiring girls
<https://www.aauw.org/issues/education/stem/>

Workplace Harassment & Economic Security - <https://www.aauw.org/issues/equity/>

Work Smart On-line Course - <https://courses.aauw.org/learn>

Smart Start - <https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/salary/start-smart/>

Title IX - <https://www.aauw.org/issues/education/title-ix/>

Gender Pay Gap - <https://www.aauw.org/issues/equity/pay-gap/>

Workplace Sexual Harassment <https://www.aauw.org/issues/equity/workplace-harassment/>

Virtual Town Hall Meeting – Domestic VAW Ribbon Campaign: Distribute/mail purple ribbons to clergy, police chiefs, judges, librarians, emergency room personnel, and others in your community.

Campus sexual assault –

The Clothesline Project: An initiative that bears witness to violence against women, the Clothesline Project invites women affected by violence to decorate shirts and hang them on a clothesline to be viewed by others as testimony to the problem of violence against all colors of women, and members of LBGQT+. Visit the website for more information about how to start a Clothesline Project on your campus.
www.theclotheslineproject.org

Denim Day in LA and USA: Make a social statement by wearing jeans on a designated day in April as a visible means of protest against misconceptions that surround sexual assault. To raise awareness in your workplace, neighborhood, or community, order a Denim Day action kit. <http://denimdayusa.org/>

April - Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM): <https://www.nsvrc.org/saam> National Sexual Violence Resource Center

20 Ways You Can Help Fight Human Trafficking: <http://www.state.gov/j/tip/id/help/index.htm>

Pennsylvania Human Trafficking Resources: <http://www.polarisproject.org>

APPLICATION PROCESS AND AWARD:

Complete the application and return by email to Peggy Schmiedecke (aauwpacu@gmail.com). Applications will be reviewed on an ongoing basis. While there is no guarantee that proposals submitted early will benefit by being early in line, the sooner an application submitted by students committing to a worthwhile project, the greater the chance for some financial assistance.

If a student is awarded a mini-grant they will be expected to complete the AAUW-PA Impact Mini-Grant Activity Report-Back Form (which will be provided to awardees to return within 30 days of event/program) and ideally have a few photos of program. If you have any questions, please let me hear you Peggy Schmiedecke, AAUW-PA College/University Liaison (aauwpacu@gmail.com).



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College/University: _____
Submitted by _____
Name and email: _____
Date submitted: _____

Grant Topic/s (check or list other):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> STEM | <input type="checkbox"/> Start Smart or Work Smart |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Workplace & Economic Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Trafficking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence | <input type="checkbox"/> Title IX |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equal Pay | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (list below) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GOTV | _____ |

Event Description/Purpose/Outcome

Event Specifics (estimated date/location/activity/projected attendance)

Collaboration – (list names of organizations if applicable such as; local community organization, multiple student organizations, AAUW Branch)

Assistance Needed (Financial, Materials, Expertise etc.) – Submit Estimated Itemized Budget