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## IMPACT 100 CHICAGO ANNOUNCES GRANT FINALISTS

### *Five Chicago Area Nonprofits Vie for Two \$100,000 Grants*

**Palatine, Ill., May 15, 2018** – Impact 100 Chicago, a women’s philanthropic organization, today announced five finalists for two individual \$100,000 grants. More than 100 area nonprofits applied for an Impact 100 Chicago grant during the 2017-2018 grant cycle.

After comprehensive reviews and site visits by Impact 100 Chicago committees, these nonprofit finalists will present at Impact 100 Chicago’s annual Grant Award Celebration on June 5, where grant winners will be announced:

[Curt’s Café](#), Evanston

[Open Books](#), Chicago

[Shelter Inc.](#), Arlington Heights

[SitStayRead](#), Chicago

[St. Leonard’s Ministries](#), Chicago

“The work done by all of our nonprofit applicants to improve the lives of the underserved in our local communities is nothing short of amazing,” said Kathy Loria, president, Impact 100 Chicago. “Their passion and dedication inspires us all. We congratulate our finalists and are excited to help them turn their projects into reality.”

Impact 100 Chicago members pool their \$1,000 membership donations and vote to select the \$100,000 grant winners. In addition to the grant awards, merit grants will be awarded to the remaining finalists.

Since its inception in 2010, Impact 100 Chicago has awarded more than \$2.5 million in high impact grants that have a transformative effect on the receiving organizations and those they serve.

Women interested in learning more about Impact 100 Chicago should visit [www.impact100chicago.org](http://www.impact100chicago.org) or contact [info@impact100chicago.org](mailto:info@impact100chicago.org). Nonprofits interested in applying for a grant during the 2018-2019 cycle can view more about our process at <http://www.impact100chicago.org/apply-for-a-grant/about-our-grant/>. Nonprofit letters of inquiry will be accepted in fall 2018.

**About Impact 100 Chicago**

Impact 100 Chicago is a 501(c)(3) all volunteer, women's philanthropic nonprofit that awards transformational grants to local nonprofits while empowering women to improve lives through philanthropy. For more information visit [www.impact100chicago.org](http://www.impact100chicago.org).

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