

Women Helping Women Funding  
5 area organizations to get money today

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Five local organizations will get a financial boost today from money raised at the Women Helping Women Fund Tri-Cities luncheon earlier this fall.

The 830 lunch attendees donated about \$92,000, which is a record amount, said board member Jane Carlton.

“It gets bigger and bigger every year,” she said.

The Women Helping Women Board will review the work the organizations have accomplished on their proposals in six months and then distribute the rest of the money, Carlton said.

The five organizations are:

- Family Enrichment, a program sponsored by Elijah Family Homes. Eight qualifying families will have the opportunity to participate in family-centered activities, as well as counseling sessions and support groups.
- Pathway to Success, a program designed to move Columbia Industries trainees with disabilities through a comprehensive assessment and individualized training process to help them succeed at a job in the community.
- The Teen Council, a peer health expert program. Administered by Planned Parenthood of Central Washington, the program will provide adolescents with the prevention education and skills needed to make positive life choices.
- Educational and character building services to refugees, migrant workers and the poor in the Tri-Cities, a program developed by The Skills Development Missions. Students are given help in academic areas and are encouraged to interact and participate with people of other ethnicities and cultural backgrounds.
- Royal Family Kids Camp, a one-week resident camp for children ages 7 to 11 who are in foster care in the Tri-Cities. Children in foster care get a fun, safe week with loving adults and the hope that they can have a better future.