

# VISION

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## A New Era

When I looked up the definition of “era” in the dictionary, it read “a period of time marked by a distinctive character or events”. Here at I.W.I.N., we are celebrating the close of one era and the dawn of a new one. After 10 years of delivering services to women with breast cancer throughout the state, I am proud to say that we have assisted over 2000 women (including three men), distributed over \$900,000 worth of support services and expanded to 91 of 92 Indiana counties. This was only possible because of a passionate and dedicated team. I thank our generous corporate and individual donors, our hard working committed volunteers, our referral partners, our past Program Director, Laura, and Operations Director, Sue, for making this an era to honor.

As we head into 2013, I.W.I.N. looks forward to a NEW era, marked by growing support, new additions and many firsts. As our presence has grown throughout the state, so has the number of women seeking our support. In this new era we want to serve each and every one of them, so we’ve added NEW members to our team. To spearhead our Board of Directors we welcome our new Board Chairperson, Meghan Dagon and Vice Chairperson, Claudia Davis. We also celebrate the addition of Crystal Biondich to our development team and Kim Brinegar as our NEW Program Director.

It is also a new year of technology for us, so look for our NEW website in January and sign up to receive our NEW e-newsletter.

As for our firsts: We want to make this the first year we go to Switzerland (the only county that we do not have a recipient from) and this is the year we will mark the most significant event in our history...our **first million dollar mark** of delivering services to our Indiana women in need!

So you can see we have so much to celebrate as we head into this season of giving and goodwill. I give thanks for the ongoing support and dedication from others that allows us to pay it forward to those in need. May your holidays be joyful! Merry Christmas and Happy NEW Year!

Nancy Shepard, R.N.  
Founder

## Hear What Our Recipients Have to Say

“When my income dropped because I couldn’t work a 40 hour week, it really put a dent into my finances. You really don’t know these small things are really so big for us. You really made a big, huge, difference in my life!”  
– Annette, *Allen Co.*

“My husband and I are both battling cancer at the same time. If not for I.W.I.N. I don’t know what we would have done for a couple of months. They provided us gas money to go back & forth to the hospital everyday and for food in the fridge.”  
– Rebecca, *Marion Co.*

“I didn’t have to worry about how I was going to get to my treatments. People caring about people, the way it should be. I am so grateful!”  
– Holly, *Wayne Co.*

“Not having to worry about gas money was a HUGE HELP! I am very thankful to you all.”  
– Julie, *Gibson County*

“The funds you have provided have been a tremendous help with groceries and gas. We don’t always understand the path before us, but our Heavenly Father promises that we won’t have to walk it alone. Thank you for coming along side of me and helping.”  
– Amie, *Fountain County*

“I could stop on my way home from chemo and pick up dinner. What a relief. . . you’re so tired and not up to fixing a meal.”  
– Kathy, *Lake Co.*

“I found out I had breast cancer two months after my second child was born. I felt weak, tired and sick during my treatments. I.W.I.N. helped me when I was not strong enough to cook for my family.”  
– Jolanda, *Porter Co.*

“I.W.I.N. never made me feel like I was taking a ‘handout’. It felt more like a ‘hand extended’. Taking the worry out of buying gas for radiation trips made the whole experience bearable.”  
– Fran, *Decatur Co.*

### Help I.W.I.N. Go Green

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*Gave I.W.I.N. a  
grant to help  
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with a generous grant that  
helped 20 women in the  
Richmond, IN area*



*This beneficial grant  
helped 18 women in  
Lake, Jasper, Newton  
and Porter counties*

# Communities Throughout In



**3rd Annual Brookville Pink Pajama Party** raised \$3,000. All the women dressed in their PJ's for a fun filled night with friends

**Ambrosia Restaurant**  
held a spaghetti dinner the night before the 500 Festival mini marathon and raised **\$250**



**Reis Nichols: I.W.I.N.** received a **\$1,000** from their battery replacement promotional held throughout the month of October



**Connor Fine Painting:**  
held their annual golf event and raised over **\$4,000**



**3rd Annual "Turn I.U. Health North Pink":** Each time someone donated \$5 in honor, memory, or gratitude of a friend, family member, or co-worker affected by breast cancer, I.U. Health North Hospital placed a pink solar light on the campus grounds during the month of October. They raised **\$2,500**

**Classy Cuts**  
in Lowell, IN held an event to benefit I.W.I.N. and raised **\$180**

**Crafting for a Cause:**  
Cathy Roembke (breast cancer survivor) made beautiful hand made greeting cards and donated ALL the proceeds to I.W.I.N. She raised an incredible **\$2,000**



**Golf Fore a Cure :** For the third year in a row, the ladies from Country Club of Indianapolis held a golf outing and gave I.W.I.N. **\$1,000**



**"Power of Pink" Event :** Nan Parente (a former recipient of I.W.I.N.) and her friends from Lowell, IN teamed up with Fitness Edge for an afternoon of pampering, fitness, food and fun! These amazing women raised an astounding **\$7,432**



# diana Raise over \$60,000



**Franklin County High School** in Brookville, IN raised **\$300** during Pink Week for October's Breast Cancer Awareness month

Title Sponsor of our annual mum sale for the third year in a row, Superior helped IWIN raise over **\$12,000**



**Richmond IN Warriors:** Jackie Vanderpool and her amazing Richmond team held their 7th annual mum sale and also participated in their community Alternative Gift Fair and raised over **\$9,100**

**A Do Hair Design**, held a benefit at the Indianapolis Art Center to celebrate 10 years in business. The fun filled evening included a fashion show, silent auction, live music, and local food vendors... Two non-profits benefited from this event raising **\$3,574** for I.W.I.N.



**Woodland Country Club** held its Annual Nine Hole Golf and Luncheon Event and a portion of the proceeds, **\$1,925**, were given to I.W.I.N.

**Arts A Poppin:** donated 10% of their profits from Mother's Day weekend and raised **\$250**

**Living, Sharing, Giving Campaign:** raised **\$600**, with pink piggy banks filled with change throughout the year

**Three Creeks Elementary School:** staff participated in "Five Dollar Jeans Day" in honor and memory of their friend and co-worker who passed away from breast cancer and raised **\$205**



**Indiana Academy** held a spirit day to support Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Students could pay money to be out of uniform for the day as long as they wore pink. Additional the Student Association officers made cupcakes and sold them and raised **\$104**

I.W.I.N recipient, **Toyce Cord**, planned a **Bus Trip to Chicago** with friends and family for a fun filled day of shopping and raised **\$2,235**



**YMCA** of Richmond, IN held a Zumba class and raised **\$475**

**Woodbrook Elementary School's** 4th grade class creates a "card company" every year. This year the class sold enough greeting cards to donate **\$1,564** to I.W.I.N. in honor of their teacher, who has breast cancer

**Butler University MBA Association** held a dine and dash event that raised **\$431**

**Indianapolis Colts** and **O'Charley's Restaurant**, donated **\$1,000** through their "Pamper Her Pink" program which recognizes 10 women who survived, or currently battling breast cancer. Two of our recipients were chosen as honorees. They each were asked to choose a charity of their choice to donate **\$500** to and they both chose I.W.I.N.

**"Live Pink" Open House** was held by an inspired young woman **Arianna** wanting to raise money in honor of her aunt who has breast cancer and was a recipient of I.W.I.N. The event raised an incredible **\$7,458**

**Sheer Salon** in Crawfordsville, IN made a donation, **\$162**, to I.W.I.N. from a portion of the proceeds from salon services during the month of October

**All About You Hair Studio** raised **\$200** during pink hair event for breast cancer

**Northern Indiana Affiliate**  
This generous grant helped 21 women within a 27 county Northern Region

**Evansville Affiliate**  
This grant is helping 34 or more women in a 10 county Region in Southwest Indiana



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This grant through Anne's Angel of Hope helped 21 women

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This beneficial grant from Honda helped 10 women



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for more information and  
registration details!



*tis the season*  
I.W.I.N. wishes you a happy,  
healthy holiday season!