

## A HANDS-ON, HANDS-IN GRANT PROCESS

The Grants Committee, comprised of over 60 members, researches and analyzes information on agencies which have submitted letters of inquiry.

The Grants Committee then selects agencies to submit formal grant requests and conducts thorough on-site visits.

The final ballot is presented to the SOS membership for a vote; agencies awarded funding are announced at the May annual meeting.

Contact Jo Ann Sanditz (jasanditz@aol.com) or Sharon Abel (szp3@charter.net) to join this dynamic committee.

Rebecca Fritsch heads the Finance Committee which reviews the financial statements of each agency before the site visits. Contact Rebecca at rebecca.fritsch@53.com to help with these reports.

*Join the Grants Committee today to be involved in the SOS grantmaking process.*

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## WHY WE GIVE



*SOS is like a lilac bush. While each individual flower is lovely in its own right, it is the collection of so many that gives it impact and makes it so beautiful.*

*- SOS member*

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The Spirit of St. Louis Women's Fund is a component fund of the St. Louis Community Foundation, a registered 501(c)(3) charity.

Spirit of St. Louis Women's Fund  
c/o St. Louis Community Foundation  
#2 Oak Knoll Park  
St. Louis, MO 63105  
314.588.8200 Ext. 110

## BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER COMMITTED WOMEN

SOS offers members a range of opportunities and events to learn more about community issues and critical needs within our funding areas.

Direct involvement of our members is welcome. Please contact one of the following committee chairs for a hands on opportunity with the spirit of SOS.

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Questions?

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## ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN

Experience the educational and social benefits of collective giving while making a difference. Be part of a community of women with diverse perspectives. Our collective spirit thrives when all voices are heard.

[www.sosstl.org](http://www.sosstl.org)



## SPIRIT OF ST. LOUIS WOMEN'S FUND

## MEMBERSHIP EVENTS

2019-2020

*Turning good into greater good; it's why we give together.*

# UPCOMING MEMBERSHIP & EDUCATION EVENTS

## September 19 - Thursday

**SOS Kickoff** 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
Kristy Klein Davis, MSW presents how the Missouri Foundation for Health improves health of Missourians. Wine, refreshments, socializing  
Committee highlights and sign up  
St. Louis Artist Guild  
12 N. Jackson Avenue, 63105

## September 26 - Thursday

**Trailnet** 4:30 pm - 6 pm  
Connecting our City - Speaker & Tour  
Tower Grove Turkish Pavilion  
4257 Northeast Drive, 63110

## October 16 - Wednesday

**New Member Luncheon** 11:30 am - 1 pm  
New members (2018 & 2019) and Board Members  
St. Louis Community Foundation  
#2 Oak Knoll Park, 63105

## November 14 - Thursday

**Scholarship Foundation** 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
Making post-secondary education possible  
Scholarship Foundation  
6825 Clayton Avenue, Suite 100, 63139

## December 6 - Friday

**Annual Holiday Coffee** 9:00 am - 11:00 am  
Grantee Speaker TBD  
Home of Susan Block  
232 N. Kingshighway #1701, 63108

## January

**Demystify Non-profit Tax Statements** 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm  
Mary Jane Pieroni, Director of Non Profit Services, BDO  
Buckingham Asset Management Board Room  
Date TBD  
8182 Maryland Ave, Suite 500, 63105

## HOW TO REGISTER FOR EVENTS

Emails are regularly sent to members with reminders of upcoming SOS events. Event registrations are linked to the calendar section of the SOS website.

[www.sosstl.org](http://www.sosstl.org)

## February 13 - Thursday

**Sisters of the Heart** 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
Celebrate Sisterhood of SOS  
A great opportunity to meet SOS sisters  
Home of Barbara Toumayan  
333 N. Central Avenue, 63105

## March 16 - Monday

**Topic: Incarceration** 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
Presentation and speaker TBD  
Location TBD

## April 15 - Wednesday

**Ballot Fair - Members Only** 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm  
Learn about the agencies making it to the final ballot. Site team members will be available to give further insight into each agency and their grant proposals.  
St. Louis Community Foundation  
#2 Oak Knoll Park, 63105

## May 20

**SPIRIT AWARDS & ANNUAL MEETING** 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Celebrate SOS and meet the 2020 grantees. Please save the date now to join members and guests in celebrating the granting of SOS funds.  
560 Music Building, 63130

## June/July

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

### Summer Potluck

Mingle with SOS members and grantee presentation. Location and date TBD

## BOOK DISCUSSIONS

Led by SOS member Nancy Garvey, enjoy intimate discussions with fellow SOS members and guests while exploring thoughtful topics relating to philanthropy and current issues. For more information please contact Nancy Garvey, [ngarvey57@gmail.com](mailto:ngarvey57@gmail.com). All gatherings are on **Wednesdays**. Locations TBD

## October 23

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

### Educated

By Tara Westover

## January 29

11:30 am - 1 pm

### The Moment of Lift: How Empowering Women Changes the World

By Melinda Gates

## April 1

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

### Sun Does Shine. How I Found Life and Freedom on Death Row

By Anthony Ray Hinton



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