

Impact100 Newport County Reaches Major Membership Goal

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A *Newport Neighbors* shoutout to Impact100 Newport County, featured on the cover of our August issue, for reaching its key membership goal! Impact100 is a national women's fundraising organization that seeks to make substantial, transformative, \$100,000 grants to local non-profits. The local chapter was introduced in early June at the Jane Pickens Theater with an information session and an invitation to join.

The math is simple: Members join at \$1000 each; and with every 100 the opportunity to make a substantial and transformational \$100,000 grant becomes a reality. "Reaching 100 members in our very first membership cycle is a true achievement," says president and co-founder Maura Lindsay, "and an important milestone for our new Impact100 chapter."

"We are so proud of this achievement," Lindsay adds. "This is just the beginning. Our next goal is to double our impact numbers, and reach at least 200 members by November 1, which would open the door for a second \$100,000 grant. And, when we reach the 200 mark, we won't stop there."

"We applaud our founding 100 members. Their commitment, belief and generosity have laid the foundation of what Impact100 Newport County will stand on for years to come." The grant application and decision process will begin next February.

For more information and to find out how you can support Impact100 Newport County, go to impact100newportcounty.org.

President and co-founder Maura Lindsay, discussing the impact of Impact.



Volunteers do make a difference: celebrating the first 100-member milestone on September 17.