

**101** *Women*  
S A N D P O I N T

Year-End  
**Report 2025**

# Letter from the President

2025 was another incredible year for 101 Women!

In the spring, we helped the Sandpoint Area Seniors (SASi) build a covered walkway from their kitchen to the street, where volunteers load their cars with nutritious meals delivered directly to homebound seniors. For years the sidewalk was an icy obstacle. Now the path from kitchen to car is much safer. Our grant money also helped purchase automatic garage door openers so volunteers and staff could easily access SASi's extensive lending library of medical equipment. I got to see the garage door opener in action when we borrowed a walker for my husband's knee replacement recovery. I asked the woman who assisted us if she liked it. Her face lit up and she said it had made a huge difference!

Then in the middle of the year, the board made a decision about how to spend extra money we had been accumulating from an unexpected donation and the interest it has been accruing. We decided to increase our grant from \$10,000 to \$11,000 going forward!

That meant this fall we awarded our first \$11,000 grant to Pend Oreille Arts Council (POAC) to help fund their Kaleidoscope Visual Arts and the Ovations Performing Arts Educational Outreach Programs. In particular, our grant will help fund much needed, high-quality art supplies. Both programs serve ~3,700 students each year.

Each and every one of you is making a big difference for our local hard-working non-profits. We can all be proud of what we are accomplishing.

In appreciation,  
Vicki



## Sharing Success (2024 grant awardee report)

**Bonner Homeless Transitions** was deeply honored to receive the \$10,000 grant from 101 Women, which BHT proudly matched to purchase our first organizational vehicle, a 2017 Honda Pilot. This 8-passenger SUV has truly been a blessing to our organization and the women and children we serve. Before this vehicle, staff often used personal cars to help transport clients. Today, the Honda Pilot allows us to provide safe, reliable transportation to medical appointments, job interviews, court hearings, counseling, and other critical services throughout our region.

Most importantly, this vehicle **has helped us respond quickly to women and families in crisis**, including those fleeing unsafe and dangerous situations. For many of the individuals we serve, this vehicle represents their first step toward safety, stability, and a new beginning.

We are incredibly grateful to 101 Women for believing in our mission and helping us serve our community in such a meaningful way.



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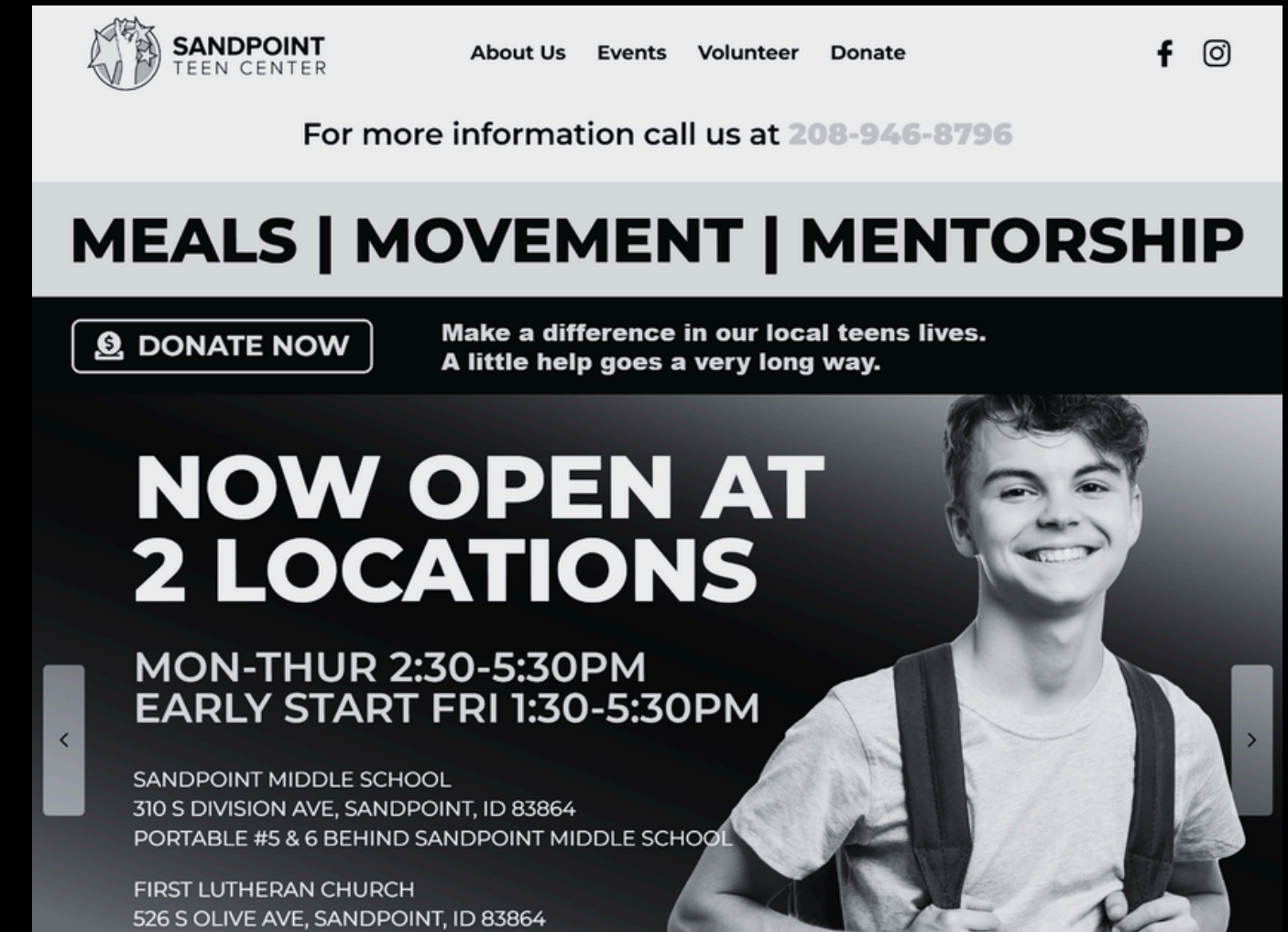
**The Sandpoint Teen Center** provides support to Bonner County teens who are vulnerable, offering a springboard to success by building healthy eating and recreation habits, developing positive relationships, and learning new skills. Local teens now have a safe, adult-supervised place to spend time after school, with access to healthy food, participation in challenging and positive activities, and learning new skills in art, STEM, culinary arts, and kitchen skills.

## **The 2024 \$10,000 grant received from 101 Women was utilized as follows:**



- \$4,000 - Adult Mentor Staff working directly with teens in our after-school program
- \$2,223 - Food to prepare daily healthy snacks and hot meals for teens
- \$3,777 - Teen Activities Support (bowling, sports equipment, games, and art supplies), as well as a portion towards our new Teen Center bus for transporting teens to community activities (ice skating, local business tours, and career visits, including Nutlicious and the ACES teen plane mechanic program)

## **Participation Numbers for our recently completed Teen Center program year (Sept 1, 2024 – Aug 31, 2025):**

- 13,239 total teen visits
- 772 different teens attended our Teen Center this past school year
- 12 teens participated in our Culinary Program cooking/kitchen classes
- 32 teens volunteered as Teen Interns to run the sign-in desk, serve food, help clean up




The banner features the Sandpoint Teen Center logo at the top left, with navigation links for 'About Us', 'Events', 'Volunteer', and 'Donate' to the right. Social media icons for Facebook and Instagram are in the top right corner. A central text line reads 'For more information call us at 208-946-8796'. Below this is a dark blue bar with the text 'MEALS | MOVEMENT | MENTORSHIP' in white. A 'DONATE NOW' button with a dollar sign icon is on the left, and the slogan 'Make a difference in our local teens lives. A little help goes a very long way.' is on the right. The main section has a background image of a smiling teen boy in a white t-shirt and suspenders. Overlaid on the image is the text 'NOW OPEN AT 2 LOCATIONS' in large white letters, followed by the hours 'MON-THUR 2:30-5:30PM' and 'EARLY START FRI 1:30-5:30PM'. At the bottom, two locations are listed: 'SANDPOINT MIDDLE SCHOOL' (310 S DIVISION AVE, SANDPOINT, ID 83864) and 'FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH' (526 S OLIVE AVE, SANDPOINT, ID 83864). Small left and right arrow icons are visible on the sides of the main text area.

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2025 Grant Awards

# Winning Projects



**Spring Winner:**  
**Sandpoint Area Seniors (SASi)**

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## Finalists

**Spring Finalists:**  
North Idaho CASA  
Priest River Ministries

**Fall Finalists:**  
KLT and Washington School  
Selkirk Conservation Alliance

## Finances at a Glance

101 Women remains in excellent financial health. Although insurance accounts for approximately 5% of our total expenses, we achieved meaningful cost savings this year by transitioning to a new insurance carrier.

We continue to offset operating expenses through interest earned on our high-yield savings account, which contributed 4% of our total income.

In light of our continued financial stability and a generous and unexpected donation, the Board approved an increase in the grant award amount to \$11,000 per cycle for the 2025–2026 fiscal year. We gave away our first \$11,000 check this past fall.

### Income

Interest

4%

Membership Fees

11%

Grant Fund

85%

### Expenses

Operating Expenses

3%

Insurance

5%

Event Production

6%

Grants

86%



## Important 2026 Membership Dates

5/14/26

**Spring Membership  
Meeting 5/14/26**

6/1/26

**Membership  
Enrollment/Renewal  
Opens 6/1/26**

11/19/26

**Fall Membership  
Meeting 11/19/26**

# People Behind **The Success**

## **Current Board Members:**

Vicki Reich-President  
Kirsten Thompson-Vice President  
Ruth Garcia-Secretary  
Karen Amestoy-Treasurer  
Jennifer Heller  
Julie Buffo  
Julie Jurenka  
Liz Koster  
Mary Catherine Role

## **Current Grant Committee Members:**

Julie Jurenka-Chair  
Anita Porter  
Diana Gore  
Jeanine Smith  
Judi Manis  
Katrina Faulkner  
Kirsten Thompson  
Vanessa Velez  
Vicki Reich



**Top Row:** Julie Buffo, Ruth Garcia, Jennifer Heller, Liz Koster

**Bottom Row:** Karen Amestoy, Kirsten Thompson, Vicki Reich, Mary Catherine Role, Julie Jurenka