# Girls Inc. of Worcester 2018-2019 Annual Report



Inspiring all girls to be STRONG, SMART and BOLD!

STRONG, SMART, BOID Girls Dirls Dirl Dear Friends,

Building on the successful culmination of our Capital Campaign and Strategic Direction, the theme for this year aligns with the vision and goal of Girls Inc. National. *How do we reach more girls and serve them with impact?* 

Through a thoughtful and collaborative process, focus groups representing a variety of community stakeholders developed the basis for our Board-Approved Key Strategic Priorities through 2021. They are:

**GROWTH:** Develop a deliberate and sustainable growth plan that increases the number of girls comprehensively served and allows for the expansion of programs to reach new girls.

**CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:** A focal point of the next phase of renovation includes the Saint-Gobain Technology Center, which is being built to close the gap of the digital divide. It will give every girl access to the technology she needs to be successful today for academic support— and tomorrow for higher education and workplace readiness.

**INFRASTRUCTURE:** Ensure the relevant infrastructure is in place or planned for to enable the organization to be inclusive, data driven, performance-oriented, and financially sustainable as well as a key community influencer.

**AWARENESS:** Continue to strengthen our brand perception by ensuring we maintain a leadership role in advocating for girls in our local community.

Accomplishments in FY18-19 continue to strengthen and increase the organization; and while high school graduation is just one measure of success, we believe it is a BIG one. We have thrown a College Shower and Eureka! graduation for the past 3 years to celebrate girls who have been longitudinal participants of our signature programs for a minimum of 5 years. Cumulatively, 54 of our high school graduates have accomplished the extraordinary:

- 100% graduated high school and enrolled in secondary education;
- Received over 230 acceptance letters to colleges and universities, including 5 IVY League schools;
- Awarded over \$3.6 million in scholarships, including 16 full-pay awards;
- Nearly 50% are the first generation in their family to go to college;
- 70% selected STEM-related majors.

We are well positioned to continue a positive trajectory of financial sustainability, intentional growth, and most importantly – achieving high-impact outcomes for our girls and their families.

We are honored to work with a dedicated Board of Directors, staff, volunteers, and community supporters. Thanks to each of you who has played a role in making a difference in the lives of girls and the community in which we live and work.

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Chief Executive Officer

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A new playground, buddy bench, and outside clean up were part of a massive volunteer project in April 2019. Our girls and staff are so thankful to the more than 100 individuals and dozens of companies who created this amazing play space. This project was made possible through Working 4 Worcester, Consigli Construction, Saint-Gobain, Mass Service Alliance, and Worcester State University Enactus, along with dozens of volunteers.





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Statement of Activities: <b>REVENUE &amp; OTHER SUPPORT</b> United Way of Central MA Grants and contribution revenue Program fees and registration fees Capital campaign contributions In-kind contributions Rental Income Dividends and interest income (net of fees) Total Support & Revenue	សមមមមម	163,796 882,620 334,711 115,064 43,679 7,620 211,648 1,759,138	201,749 637,811 345,962 893,628 17,524 8,925 176,493 2,282,092	(37,953) 244,809 (11,251) (778,564) 26,155 (1,305) 35,155 (522,954)
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Gain on sale of property and equipment Investment return, net Change in beneficial interest in trust Total nonoperating activities: Change in net assets	\$ \$ \$ \$	24,500 162,717 3,741 <u>190,958</u> 130,713	221,580 44,414 <u>265,994</u> 818,530	24,500 (58,863) (40,673) (75,036) (687,817)
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The EUREKA! program changes lives, and our results prove it! Since 2017, 100% of participants graduated from high school; 100% were accepted to college; 72% planned on declaring STEM related majors; and more than \$3.6 million was awarded in scholarships

was awarded in scholarships, including 16 full pay.









New York artist Alice Mizrachi created a mural in the gym this past April. Alice led a workshop with our girls to help envision the mural and for inspiration, she used their thoughts on what it means to be STRONG, SMART, and BOLD.

The mural, gym renovation and new equipment was made possible with support from the Greater Worcester Community Fountation Creative Spark grant, City of Worcester CDBG grant, Dick's Sporting Goods, and Boston Scientific mini-grant.

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