

# EMPOWER WOMEN AND CHILDREN FUND

Economic empowerment for Arab American women and children



"When women thrive, all of society benefits, and succeeding generations are given a better start in life."  
- Kofi Annan, former Secretary-General of the United Nations

Arab American women and children face significant challenges that inhibit their ability to fully participate in American life. A recent survey conducted by the Center for Arab American Philanthropy (CAAP) revealed that roughly 80% of surveyed Arab American-serving organizations reported women feeling "isolated" from the economy due to educational and language barriers. Many **women and children are especially vulnerable as recent immigrants and refugees** who face trauma and health issues and limited opportunities for employment. Due to these concerns, there is a grave and urgent need to support Arab American women's economic empowerment initiatives.

Studies show that women tend to invest a higher amount of their earnings in their families and communities when compared to men. This naturally **has a ripple effect on children**, which creates a stronger support system during their most crucial years of development.

Through the **Empower Women and Children Fund** at CAAP, you will support organizations that have instituted workforce development initiatives. These initiatives include employment support services, vocational ESL instruction, financial literacy classes, and small business development. These programs have had a positive impact in **advancing opportunities for women in the workplace**, which has not only provided more opportunities for Arab American women, but has contributed to their children's wellbeing.

# Join us & cause a ripple effect

Your generous contribution will directly impact the lives of Arab American women and children and will give hope where it is needed most. Your involvement is critical. Give now to the Empower Women and Children Fund at CAAP. Together, we can improve the odds for everyone in our community.

Make your check out to CAAP with "Empower Women and Children Fund" on the memo line and mail to:  
CAAP, 2651 Saulino Court, Dearborn, MI 48120

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As a national community foundation serving the Arab American community, CAAP's mission is to improve lives and build vibrant communities. CAAP launched the Empower Women and Children Fund to support and expand much needed programs impacting the lives of vulnerable women and children. Through an annual competitive grantmaking program, the Empower Women and Children Fund will make grants to programs and organizations that address the unique needs of Arab American women and children.



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