Congratulations to all of our graduates!

Tailore McLennan, Janine Hogan, Carolyn Abdullah, Luisa Trujillo, Maya White, Sarah Love, Hadley Hendrick, & Lakeisha Gardner
WELCOME

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This annual report has been compiled by Jamieca Jones, University of Louisville Women’s Center Program Coordinator. July 2018.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

Thank you to our Donors! You are an important member of our community and we are honored to have your support. Our programs, services, and students rely on your continued generosity. You have made a real difference in the lives of the students we serve and your dedication to supporting women is immeasurable. Your sponsorship is an investment in a better community and in the lives of women here at the University of Louisville. We need your continued support and hope you sponsor us. All contributions are tax deductible and will make a huge difference in the lives of our students and in some cases, the children they support.
Dear Friends of the UofL Women's Center,

“The Women's Center is a great place for students to come when they need a variety of resources. The Center always supports new ideas and is looking to help the students in any way they can.” - Undergraduate Student

“The Student Parent Association is an embodiment of everything I love about the University of Louisville. I think UofL does a wonderful job making sure there is a place for every type of student. At the SPA, I have found community, purpose and friendship. Everyone I have met or worked with within SPA has been extremely friendly and has helped me find my place on campus. Being a student parent means that I am sometimes on a very different path than “traditional” students and I am happy to be a part of a group that is helping other student parents feel important and included at UofL.” - Student-Parent

“I feel a lot more empowered and motivated since I've been surrounded by these women.” - College Women's Leadership Conference Attendee

These are just a few of the amazing testimonials about the Women’s Center from students at the University of Louisville. These testimonials and many more like them are the reason each of us is so dedicated to the work we do at the Women's Center. Our staff is committed to supporting the personal and professional growth of all women and we strive to challenge gender inequity and empower women.

This year, the Women’s Center was involved in some very exciting enterprises. Our staff supported all of our existing student groups and launched the only nationally recognized United Nations Association Women's Student Group in the country. This group will focus on the platforms of the United Nations and are already planning their first symposium focusing on Child Marriage and Female Genital Mutilation, a global problem. Empowering Ladies Together also came under the purview of the Women's Center. They have a wonderful history of empowering women of color with a focus on leadership and community service.

With support of our American Association of University Student Group and the Student Government Association the Women's Center brought emergency personal hygiene products to campus. Impacting over 86% of women who say they have experienced an emergency.

Adding to the excitement, members of our newly formed UofL Women's Network shared their appreciation for the Center. “...the women's events I attended had a direct effect on me personally ... [and] contributed to my success. I wanted to express my gratitude for the efforts of the Women's Center and the Women's Network!” - UofL Women's Network Member

I could not be more proud of the work of the Women’s Center and our staff and students. I hope you will enjoy perusing the Annual Report and will join our growing network of supporters.

Best regards,

Valerie M. Casey
Valerie M. Casey, Director
WHO WE ARE

The UofL Women’s Center serves as a catalyst for empowering women at UofL and throughout the Louisville area. The Women’s Center comes under the purview of the Office of the Vice Provost for Diversity and International Affairs.

The University of Louisville Operational Definition of Diversity is: Diversity embraces all human differences while building on the commonalities that bind us together. It serves to eliminate discrimination, marginalization, and exclusion based on race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, socioeconomic status, disability, religion, national origin or military status.
MISSION, MOTTO, VISION, & GOALS

MISSION
The mission of the Women’s Center is to offer support and resources to empower women with the goal of promoting an inclusive and equitable campus community and to develop engaged and compassionate leaders.

MOTTO
Leading Change

VISION
Our vision is that the Women’s Center will be a safe and inclusive place of connectedness, empowerment and support for our growing multidimensional society.

GOALS
The Women’s Center carries out our mission through these goals:

- Support the vision of the Office of Diversity and International Affairs particularly as it relates to the multidimensional realities of women’s lives.

- Educate university policy makers, students, faculty, staff and community members regarding issues that affect women.

- Assist the University in achieving its retention and graduation goals by implementing programs that enhance, support and empower women on campus.

- Facilitate student development that affirms students’ identities through leadership, mentoring and personal and professional development opportunities.

- Support the goals of the University’s 21st Century Initiative to provide a global perspective to students.
The Women’s Center is open 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. We are open all year, and visitors are always welcome!

*Hours can vary. Appointments are recommended.

Address: Administration Annex
University of Louisville, Louisville, KY 40292

The Women’s Center can be found on the lower level of the Administrative Annex near the corner of Eastern Parkway & 3rd Street; not far from the southwest corner of the Belknap Campus. Our space is wheelchair accessible.

We are child friendly! Supervised children and babies are welcome in our space. We can provide a private space for changing and breastfeeding. We also have toys and coloring pages for visiting children.

Phone: (502) 852-8976

We're moving! The Women's Center will be moving to a new office on campus Fall 2018. Follow us on social media and check out our website for updates.
Attend an event. Say "hi" to the staff. We want our space to be your space, so please make yourself at home!

LOUNGE
Equipped with a comfortable sofa set and available for use throughout the day, the lounge is a great place to study, relax and visit. The comfortable, cozy atmosphere with couches and chairs makes it the perfect location to read, meet or hang out.

CONFERENCE ROOM
The conference table seats 10-15 comfortably with additional seating available. Please contact the Women's Center, womenctr@louisville.edu, to check space availability. Monday - Friday 10am-4pm and hours can vary.

KITCHENETTE
Stop in to eat your lunch here! You can use our refrigerators and microwave for storing and heating meals and snacks. We also provide free coffee (we have a Keurig!), tea, hot chocolate and hot water.

LACTATION & BABY CHANGING AREA
Our office is one of several designated lactation stations on campus. Call the Women's Center for availability. (502) 852-8976.

LIBRARY & MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS
Check out a book in our library! Topics include feminism, sexual assault and violence prevention, women's health, novels, family issues, art, LGBTQA issues and women's history. We are obtaining new books on a regular basis. If you have a title you'd like to suggest we acquire, email us at womenctr@louisville.edu. The Women's Center also subscribes to a variety of alternative magazines. Copies are available to read in the Women's Center lounge.

COMPUTER STATIONS
We have 3 computers available for student usage on a first-come, first-serve basis.

PERSONAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS/SEXUAL HEALTH PRODUCTS
The Women's Center provides the following items to students free of charge: tampons, pads, panty liners, and condoms (Health Promotion's Play Well Hot Spot) when available. Please contact the Women's Center to learn more about this service or to donate items.
Valerie Casey joined the University of Louisville in March 2003, and moved to the Women’s Center September 2006. She earned a Bachelors of Science in Commerce from the University of Louisville College of Business and Masters of Art in Higher Education Administration from the College of Education. She currently serves as the Director of the Women’s Center and enjoys the academic environment and working with students, staff and faculty at the University. In addition to her position at the Women’s Center, Valerie serves on the Staff Senate and the President’s Commission on the Status of Women, the Comission on Diversity & Racial Equality. Additional campus involvement includes the AFO Sustainability Council, the advisor to Women 4 Women Student Board and the American Association on University Women at UofL. Valerie enjoys working with students, staff and faculty who value the contributions of women and works for the equal treatment of all people. Her goal at the Women’s Center is to provide resources, engagement and leadership opportunities to empower women.

Phyllis joined the U of L family in 1975 as a Public Information Officer after working one year as a reporter for a local newspaper. She received her undergraduate degree from Western Kentucky University in 1974 and a Masters in Education, College Student Personnel from UofL in 2000. She has worked in various areas of public relations for the MAEP office and as a Student Development Specialist. Her work in the Women's Center includes: coordinating the newsletter, spearheading the Women's Empowerment Luncheon, Equal Pay Day, Women's History Month Calendar, Kentucky Women's Book Festival, various other programs, spearheading the Women's Center Federal Work-Study program, the Ann T. Allen Scholarship, the Nichols Awards and she serves as Advisor to the Student-Parent Association & Women Veterans Group.
Jamieca Jones is a 2013 UofL graduate with a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Psychology and a minor in Women and Gender Studies. She is currently working on a Masters of Science in Social Work and a Masters of Art in Women and Gender Studies. Her work in the Women's Center includes coordinating Campus Talks, programs for women on the Health Sciences Campus, assisting with the planning of the International Women’s Day program, Human Trafficking Awareness Conference, various other programs and serves as Liaison to Women 4 Women Student Board and the American Association of University Women (AAUW) at UofL. She says it was these events that made her eager to continue work at the Center. “The Women's Center helped me find that power within myself and I want others on campus to have that experience as well.” In her position, her goals are to “bring more awareness on campus of the Women's Center and its many programs, help create programs that the students want, strengthen the connections with the university’s other awesome departments, and ultimately empower women (and men, too, of course).” She also is very involved with the community.

Jamieca loves to listen and dance to music, have fun adventures with friends, travel, try cultural foods and “cheer on my Cards!”

Patsy has been a fixture on the U of L campus since 1970 having worked under five male directors and one Assistant VP as Secretary and most recently, Administrative Assistant in the former Office of Black Affairs, Minority Services, Minority Affairs and MAEP. She joined the Women's Center in 2008 where she works as Administrative Assistant where she handles the day-to-day operations and assisting with programs sponsored by the Women's Center. Patsy is also available to the students who visit and call into the office. Students are so fortunate to have access to her historical knowledge and worldly experience.

Patsy Russell,
Administrative Assistant
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WORK-STUDY STUDENTS

The U of L Women’s Center employs a number of federal work study students during the year. They design flyers and other promotional material for the office, represent the office at various tabling events and meetings, work on committees and also develop a project of interest that would also meet the mission of the center. This program engages students and offers support as they work towards graduation.
Women's Center staff gave presentations and were invited speakers at campus & community events throughout the year. Staff are also represented on various university committees and boards and in the community.

PRESENTATIONS & SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- “The Future of Women” at Spalding University, March 27, 2018
- Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. - Beta Epsilon Chapter’s Skee Week “Wonder Women”, February 6, 2018
- Adult and Community leadership involving gender, sexuality and feminism at St. Francis High School February 8, 2018
- Nevertheless She Persisted: Honoring Women Who Fight all Forms of Discrimination Against Women at US Army Corps of Engineers, Louisville District, March 26, 2018
- Women’s Center 101 Presentation (1)
UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE BOARDS & COMMITTEES

• Chair, Nichols Award Committee
• Chair, Tachau Essay Contest Committee
• Chair, Dr. Ann T. Allen Scholarship Committee
• Editor, Women’s Center Newsletter committee
• Member, Kentucky Women’s Book Festival Committee
• Member, Take Back the Night Committee
• Ex-Officio, Commission on the Status of Women & Recruitment, Retention and Representation Committee
• Ex-Officio, Commission on Diversity & Racial Equality & Staff Concerns Committee
• Founder, University of Louisville Women’s Network
• Founder, University of Louisville Women’s Alumni Council
• Staff Senate Representative
• Institutional Effectiveness Advisory Committee
• American Association of University Women (AAUW), University Representatives

COMMUNITY BOARDS & COMMITTEES

• Member, National Council of Negro Women (NCNW), Louisville branch & PR committee
• Board of Director, Louisville Coalition for Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)
• Board Member, American Association of University Women (AAUW), Louisville Branch
• Associate Board Member, Women 4 Women
• Leadership Louisville
• Greater Louisville Outstanding Women (GLOW)
• Zonta Club of Louisville, Zonta International
• Louisville Metro Human Trafficking Task Force

AWARDS

• Valerie Casey, Excellence in Mental Health Award from Kentucky One Health for Human Trafficking Initiative. The annual Doctors’ Ball, hosted by the Jewish Hospital & St. Mary’s Foundation, part of KentuckyOne Health, has honored the service of local physicians and community leaders.
BY THE NUMBERS

8 STUDENTS GRADUATED

26 YEARS ON CAMPUS

COLLECTED OVER 2,500 PERSONAL HYGIENE PRODUCTS FOR THE TAMPON TASKFORCE

OVER 200 MEMBERS IN THE WOMEN’S NETWORK FOR FACULTY/STAFF

37 STUDENT LED PROGRAMS

SIX FREE COMMUNITY EVENTS

26 CHILDREN WERE SPONSORED FOR THE ANNUAL ANGEL TREE INITIATIVE

FIRST YEAR OF THE NEW WOMEN’S ALUMNI COUNCIL

SIX STUDENT GROUPS
SPONSORED 5 STUDENTS TO ATTEND NATIONAL CONFERENCES

WOMEN'S CENTER STUDENT GROUPS RAISED $9,115 FOR PROGRAMS

AWARDED $5,317 IN SCHOLARSHIPS AND SPONSORSHIPS

COLLABORATED WITH OVER 60 UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENTS, UNITS AND COMMUNITY GROUPS
PROGRAM & SOCIAL MEDIA IMPACT

2016 - 2017

PROGRAMS

80 PROGRAMS

2,500 IN ATTENDANCE

SOCIAL MEDIA

2,012 FACEBOOK LIKES

2017 - 2018

PROGRAMS

112 PROGRAMS

5,500 IN ATTENDANCE

SOCIAL MEDIA

2,985 FACEBOOK LIKES
The Women’s Center engaged with over 5,500 students, UofL employees and community members in 2018.

**Programs**
70 Women’s Center programs, 9 Women’s Center sponsored programs, and 33 student group meetings.

**Social Media**
2,985 Facebook likes on Women’s Center Facebook page & affiliated pages & reached over 125,823 people.
A YEAR OF GROWTH

2017-2018

The Women's Center has had a busy year! Check out some of our highlights.

Meet & Greet Social at Hopcat

UofL Women's Alumni Council members cheering on UofL's Women's Basketball team at their game watch party

WOMEN'S ALUMNI COUNCIL

Prom Dress Drive

UofL Women's Center Director, Valerie Casey & Karan Chavis, School of Medicine Chief of Staff.

Students participating during Campus Talk: Stain the Stigma where period myths were busted and students learned more about menstrual hygiene.

"THE WOMEN’S CENTER HAS MADE A HUGE IMPACT ON WOMEN, AND THERE IS MUCH MORE GOOD WORK TO DO,"

17 University of Louisville Women’s Center
EMPOWERING LADIES TOGETHER

UNA-WOMEN AT UOFL

Executive Board with Past President

“\textit{I LOVE THE DIVERSITY OF THE SPEAKERS AND PARTICIPANTS!}”

Talk it Out: College Expectations vs. Reality

UNA-WOMEN AT UOFL

Members of UNA-Women and students volunteering at La Casita Center

UOFL WOMEN'S NETWORK

UofL Women's Network roundtable discussion. The Roundtable brings together faculty and staff from all campuses with subject matter experts/facilitators who will guide small group discussions. This Roundtable is for anyone interested in professional development and relationship building opportunities.
OUR PROGRAMS

GRACE HOPPER CELEBRATION OF WOMEN WATCH PARTY

The Women's Center hosted a Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing, the world's largest gathering of women technologists, watch party which featured speakers Melinda Gates and Debbie Sterling. A networking session and resource fair was also held during the watch party. This program was sponsored by: Humana Women in Tech, UofL College of Business and UofL Speed School of Engineering.

WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT LUNCHEON

During our 2017 Women’s Empowerment Luncheon, we enjoyed an empowering speech by speaker, Nikki R. Jackson, Senior Vice President and Regional Executive, Louisville Branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis.

Additionally, we recognized the winners of the Women’s Empowerment Award, the Mary K. Bonsteel Tachau Gender Equity Award, the Dr. M. Celeste Nichols Professional Development Award, 2017 Ann T. Allen Endowed Scholarship, and our new award for the Tachau Essay Contest winners.

KENTUCKY WOMEN'S BOOK FESTIVAL

The 12th Annual Kentucky Women's Book Festival was held on March 3, 2018 with a full slate of author presentations, book signings and opportunities to mingle with fellow book lovers at UofL's Ekstrom Library.

The festival's opening speaker was UofL alumna Sheri Riley, author of “Exponential Living: Stop Spending 100% of Your Time on 10% of Who You Are (with a forward by Usher).” Other speakers included: Sallie Bingham, Carolyn Furdek and Aimee Zaring.

After the festival, Women Who Write, a local women's writers' group presented the workshop “So, You Want to Write: Let's Get Started” facilitated by Selene Phillips, an assistant professor of communications at UofL.

CHECK OUT OUR PROGRAMS!
"Seeing award winners + cheering their stories + accomplishments. Wonderful speakers!" - Women's Empowerment Luncheon Attendee

Grace Hopper Watch Party, Empowerment Luncheon & Kentucky Women’s Book Festival
OUR PROGRAMS

CAMPUS TALK

Campus Talk offers a space to openly discuss current issues that affect women and other social issues. In the past year our topics included:

- The UGLY Side of Women in Media
- Life Lessons from June Cleaver: Women in the 1950s
- Stain the Stigma

"I LEARNED A LOT ABOUT HOW WOMEN ARE PORTRAYED AND HAD GREAT DISCUSSIONS."

HSC WOMEN'S LUNCH & TRIVIA

Gives women the opportunity to enjoy lunch & trivia while networking with fellow post-doc and graduate women. This program eliminates the isolation felt by many Postdoc students with the intent to stop the leaky pipeline of potential faculty members.
"Love meeting other women in science."

"It's so much fun!"

"It's is like a therapy session for me"
EMPOWERMENT: MAKING AND SHAPING HISTORY WOMEN IN SPACE SCIENCE

Over the decades, women have made significant contributions to space science. Their work was acknowledged and celebrated in a series of events March 16 – March 24, 2018. The series kicked off with a presentation by Pam Platt, Chief Storyteller for The Exomedicine Institute, an organization performing cutting edge medical experiments in space. Her role at the institute is to communicate how some of the next medical breakthroughs may not be on the planet Earth.

The extensive impact women have had in space exploration since the start of the “space race” sixty years ago was featured in educational television and movie programs at the planetarium March 22-23 including a screening of Hidden Figures.

The series ended with a presentation on March 24 by Sophia Mitchell (duPont Manual MST Alum, 2010) and NASA/JPL Engineer. She shared about her journey to become an aerospace engineer and some of her accomplishments at NASA, such as driving the Mars Rover. She also highlighted other women at NASA who are currently making history and shaping the future of space exploration.

This program was sponsored by: University of Louisville Women’s and Gender Studies, University of Louisville Women’s Center, University of Louisville Gheens Science Hall and Rauch Planetarium, American Association of University Women, University of Louisville Chapter, Society of Women in Physics and Astronomy, University of Louisville Chapter, Louisville Astronomical Society, University of Louisville Cultural Center, & Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.-Beta Epsilon Chapter.

• March 16

Presentation by Pam Platt, Chief Storyteller, The Exomedicine Institute  Louisville Astronomical Society Event

• March 22

Screening: Hidden Figures

• March 23

Screening of “Women in Space” (PBS series, Makers) & “Sisters of the Sun” (Cosmos: A Spacetime Odyssey) followed by with a facilitated discussion/Q&A

• March 24

Shaping History: Women in Space Science with Keynote Sophia Mitchell, Aerospace Engineer
OUR PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: SOUL

The Women's Center hosted a SOUL (Student Outreach Uniting Louisville) site with 25 incoming UofL Freshmen at the Kristy Love Foundation - a place of hope for survivors of human trafficking. The students helped sort donated clothes for their closing closet for survivors.
“Even the smallest of actions can make a difference.”

“ We are ready to help, we just need to know where to start.”

"Community is about building a foundation of support with other supporters."
OUR PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: MLK DAY OF SERVICE & OTHER PROJECTS

The Women's Center, Women 4 Women Student Board and UNA-Women at UofL hosted a group of UofL students at the Kristy Love Foundation for a day of fun, service and empowerment during UofL's MLK Day of Service.

Women's Center student groups hosted and participated in several community service projects throughout the year at the Kristy Love Foundation, La Casita Center and the Ronald McDonald House.
“Everyone has a story. We should take time to listen to it.”

"If we all work together, we can make a difference."

"Seeing it first hand and hearing the stories helps recognize the issues."
The Women's Center sponsored several students this year to attend conferences for professional development.

We provided sponsorships for students to attend:

- American Association of University Women’s National Conference for College Women Student Leaders at the University of Maryland, College Park

- United Nations Association Leadership Summit in Washington, D.C.

- United Nations Commission on the Status of Women in New York City
The American Association of University Women (AAUW) advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research. AAUW at UofL, the first & only AAUW student organization in Kentucky, that prepares women to become leaders on campus and in the community.

This initiative, spearheaded by AAUW at UofL and the UofL Women’s Center, started in 2016 when students approached the Women’s Center with concerns about the lack of access to personal hygiene products on campus. AAUW at UofL created a Tampon Task Force and held a personal hygiene product drive during the Spring 2017 semester collecting more than 700 products! To address the need on an institutional level, the Women’s Center reached out to the Student Government Association to expand this initiative. Sponsored by the Women’s Center, the Office of the Chief Operating Officer, and Student Government Association (SGA) the Tampon Task Force became a campus-wide initiative.

TAMPON TASKFORCE TAKES OVER UOFL

Through the Tampon Task Force, 26 dispensers with personal hygiene products were placed among the 3 UofL campuses and 16 Tampon Task Force baskets.
In the past year, AAUW at UofL had 5 programs & meetings with 350 people in attendance and received $800 in sponsorships.

During the past year, AAUW at UofL hosted the following programs:

- Calling Out Congress
- Campus Talk: Stain the Stigma in partnership with the Women's Center and Health Promotion
- Creation of the Tampon Task Force & Personal Hygiene Product Collect Drive to be dispursed for students on campus
- Empowerment: Making and Shaping History Women in Space Science
- Title IX: Betsy Devos: Do You know your Rights?
- Voter Registration Drive
- President of AAUW at UofL attended the AAUW National Conference for College Women Student Leaders in Maryland

Students learned about Title IX and how current policies under Betsy Devos effect them.

Calling Out Congress, teaching students how to contact their legislators & follow legislation

AAUW at UofL
President Olivia King tabling at International Women’s Day

FOLLOW US!
In the past year, Empowering Ladies Together had 10 programs & meetings with more than 600 in attendance and received $1,750 in sponsorships and fundraising.

"I made new friends and gained leadership skills as a member of Empowering Ladies Together."

Empowering Ladies Together (ELT) The mission and purpose of our organization is to empower the Mind, Body, and Soul by helping women to excel academically, socially, culturally, and professionally in our community. We encourage women to embrace leadership, pursue success, gain sisterhood, and understand the importance of community service. We build a sense of community and a support system for minority women, ELT is minority focused but completely tailored for all women.

The 8th Annual Women’s Empowerment Dinner: Unapologetically Me, was held November 30 in Bigelow Hall with 100+ in attendance. A night of food, friends and fun, students and members of the community gathered to celebrate being “unapologetically me,” by being proud of who we are!

Entertainment included performers and keynote speakers Dr. Kaila Adia Story is an Associate Professor in the Departments of Women’s & Gender Studies and Pan-African Studies and the Audre Chair in Race, Class, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at the University of Louisville and Dr. Adrienne Bratcher is an Assistant Clinical Professor in the Department of Health and Sports Sciences at the University of Louisville.

Dr. Story was phenomenal at the Women’s Empowerment Dinner!
During the past year, Empowering Ladies Together hosted the following programs:

- Joined the Women's Center during Fall 2018
- 8th Annual Women's Empowerment Dinner: Unapologetically Me
- 4th Annual Back to School BBQ
- Talk it Out: College Expectations vs. Reality
- Talk it Out: Routes and Respect
- Thanksgiving Potluck
- Lock-In
- Battle of the Sexes
A Support Organization for University of Louisville Student-Parents to promote the academic success of the university’s student parents; offer support services and resources to student-parents who are pursuing a college degree; and help student-parents learn to balance their personal, social, academic and professional lives.

"The Student Parent Association is an embodiment of everything I love about the University of Louisville. I think UofL does a wonderful job making sure there is a place for every type of student. At the SPA, I have found community, purpose and friendship. Everyone I have met or worked with within the SPA has been extremely friendly and that has helped me find my place on campus. Being a student-parent means that I am sometimes on a very different path than “traditional” students and I’m happy to be part of a group that is helping other student-parents feel important and included at UofL.

In the past year, the Student-Parent Association had 8 programs & meetings and received over $1,500 in sponsorships.
During the past year, the Student Parent Association hosted the following programs:

- Student Parent Association Angel Tree Program which ensures that no child is forgotten during the Holidays

- Student Parent Visibility Day & Clothing Give A-way which raises awareness of the increasing number of non-traditional students with children on campus and gives new or gently used clothing to students for their children
OUR STUDENT GROUPS

UNA-WOMEN AT UOFL

In the past year, UNA-Women at UofL had 7 programs & meetings with 40 in attendance.

“The Women’s Center has supported us starting our new RSO (UNA Women) so much. We wouldn’t have done it without their support!”

The United Nations Association (UNA)-Women at UofL, the first and only UNA-Women Student Chapter in the Country, works to advance important and timely issues related to women and girls. They also advocate for UN programs that further women’s rights and empowerment nationally and internationally.

FOLLOW US!

UNA-WOMEN AT UOFL & UNA AT UOFL VOLUNTEERING AT LA CASITA CENTER
During the past year, UNA- Women at UofL hosted the following programs:

- Became a RSO during Spring 2018 under the Women’s Center
- Meeting on Female Genital Mutilation
- Meeting on Child Marriage
- Volunteer projects at: Kristy Love Foundation, La Casita Center & Beaded Treasurers Project
- Volunteered at the Kristy Love Foundation for MLK Day of Service
- Spoke at UNA-Kentucky’s event on sexual assault and human trafficking
- 2 Members attended the UNA-Leadership Summit in Washington, D.C. in June 2018
OUR STUDENT GROUPS

WOMEN 4 WOMEN STUDENT BOARD

In the past year, Women 4 Women had 20 programs & meetings with more than 750 in attendance and received $4,040 in sponsorships and fundraising.

“Fall retreat was my favorite Women 4 Women memory. I met my best friend here and bonded with all the other members”

Women 4 Women Student Board (W4W) is dedicated to improving the economic self-sufficiency of women and girls in our community. This is a women’s professional board that prepares women to become leaders on and in the community. The focus of this board’s programs are on health, education, and leadership of women.

The 4th bi-annual College Women’s Leadership Conference was held April 7 at the College of Business where students enhanced and learned new skills that are needed in order to truly be successful in the real world.

This stellar, student-led program under the umbrella of the University of Louisville Women’s Center and Women 4 Women Student Board allows students to learn from leaders, network, and begin to find ways to use their skills to help empower the community. Featuring keynote Speaker, Tori Murden McClure, and additional speakers included: Rep. Attica Scott, Dr. Kaila Story, Dr. Katherine Massoth, Eileen Davis, Margaret Hamilton, and UofL’s Health Promotion.

FOLLOW US!

COLLEGE WOMEN’S LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Attendees and members of Women 4 Women’s College Women’s Leadership Conference Committee members posing for a picture with keynote speaker Tori Murden McClure.
During the past year, Women 4 Women Student Board hosted the following programs:

- 8th Annual Human Trafficking Awareness Conference
- 5th Annual International Women’s Day Cultural Awareness Celebration
- Cards Against Catcalling & Chalk-It Out
- Self-Defense Workshop
- Feminist LGBTQ+ Trivia
The U of L Women’s Center provides a safe space for learning and friendship for military women on campus and in the community. The monthly Women Veteran Lunch N’ Learn Workshop series offers various topics of interest to military women students, staff and faculty.

Previous workshop topics included:

- Family Resources
- History of Warrior Women of Kentucky
- Tribute to African American Women Veterans
- Alternative Healing
The Women’s Network is an inclusive organization committed to encouraging and promoting the personal and professional development of women faculty and staff at UofL.

Working in collaboration with University partners, the Women’s Network will give you access to valuable contacts and information on programming, sponsorships and networking opportunities.

Programs included:

- Meet & Greets
- Women’s Roundtable Discussion
- Women’s Network Lunches
- Social Outings

200 UofL faculty and staff members are a part of the Network!
The UofL Alumni Association, in collaboration with the Women’s Center, has created the Women’s Alumni Council. The Women’s Alumni Council aims to foster a lifelong commitment to the University of Louisville and enable women alumni and friends to remain involved and connected to the University.

The council creates and develops programs and services to serve women alumni, meet the needs of women students, as well as assist the Alumni Association in achieving its mission of serving, involving and informing alumni, current and future students, and friends of the University.

Programs included:

- Meet & Greets
- Game Watch Parties
- Community Service Projects (Prom Dress Drive)
During Fall 2017, the Women’s Center had 29 programs and sponsored 7 programs.

- SOUL Service Project: Kristy Love Foundation
- Women’s Center 25th Birthday Party & Women’s Equality Day Celebration
- Empowering Ladies Together Back to School BBQ
- Women 4 Women Student Board Self-Defense Workshop
- Women Post-Doc Lunch & Trivia (4)
- Student-Parent Day of Visibility & Clothing Exchange Project for Children Donation Drive
- Women 4 Women Student Board Member Retreat
- UofL Brown Cancer Center Mammogram Unit (Belknap)
- Campus Talk: “The UGLY Side of Women in Media”
- Empowering Ladies Together Talk it Out: College Expectations vs. Reality
- National Voter Registration Day
- Women’s Empowerment Luncheon
- Women’s Alumni Council Meet & Greet
- UofL Women’s Network Meet & Greet
- Women’s Center Holiday Party & Angel Tree Initiative
- Title IX & Betsy Devos: Do You know Your Rights?
- Empowering Ladies Together Talk it Out Session: Routes and Respect
- The Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing 2017 Watch Party
- Hocus Pocus
- Campus Talk “Life Lessons from June Cleaver- Women in the 1950s
- Women 4 Women Student Board Feminist LGBTQ+ Trivia
- Empowering Ladies Together Thanksgiving Potluck
- Empowering Ladies Together Women’s Empowerment Dinner: Unapologetically Me
- Empowering Ladies Together Battle of the Sexes
• Various community service projects
• Book Donation Drive
• Personal Hygiene Products Drive

Women’s Center Sponsored Programs
• Voting Rights for Women: Past, Present, & Future (League of Women Voters)
• How-to-Date 101 Workshop (PEACC)
• Women’s Empowerment Week (UofL Student Activities Board)
  • Women’s Resource Fair and Grill-Off Competition
  • “Enough” Film Screening
  • Keynote Speaker - Kathrine Switzer
• Pride Cookout (2) (LGBT Center)
During Spring 2018, the Women’s Center had 40 programs and sponsored 6 programs.

- MLK Day of Service
- Women Veterans Support Group (2)
- Women 4 Women Student Board: Women in History/Politics
- Women 4 Women Student Board: Conversations: LGBTQ Ally Workshop
- Women Post-Doc Lunch & Trivia (3)
- UNA-Women Volunteer at La Casita Center
- Women 4 Women Student Board Member Retreat
- UofL Brown Cancer Center Mammogram Unit (Belknap)
- UNA-Women: Female Genital Mutilation
- Women’s Alumni Council Game Watch Social
- Women 4 Women Student Board: Black Feminism
- Campus Talk: “Stain the Stigma"
- 9th Annual Human Trafficking Awareness Conference
- Women’s Yoga Class (2)
- Women 4 Women Student Board: Women’s Issues Around the World
- Kentucky Women’s Book Festival
- Empowering Ladies Together Lock-in
- 5th Annual International Women’s Day
- Student Parent Association Cards Financial Workshop
- Empowerment: Making and Shaping History Women in Space Science
  - Hidden Figures Screening
  - Women in Space Screening
  - Sisters of the Sun Screening
  - Keynote - Sophia Mitchell, Aerospace Engineer NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory
• Women 4 Women Student Board: Sexual Assault, Rape Cultural, Recent News
• Book Donation Drive
• Personal Hygiene Products Drive
• Women 4 Women Student Board: Sexual Health
• Women 4 Women Student Board 4th College Women's Leadership Conference
• Women 4 Women Student Board Cards Against Catcalling
• Student Parent Association Cards Mindfulness Workshop
• UofL Women's Network Roundtable Discussion
• UofL Women's Network Meet and Greet (2)
• UNA-Women: Child Marriage
• UNA-Women volunteer at Kristy Love Foundation
• UNA-Women volunteer at Beaded Treasures Project

Women's Center Sponsored Programs
• 22nd Anual African American Music Heritage Institute AIN'T I A WOMAN (School of Music)
• AKA Skee Week "Wonder Women"
• Adult and Community Leadership involving gender, sexuality and feminism (St. Francis High School)
• National Wear Red Day (Multicultural Association of Pre-Medical School Students)
• Take Back the Night (PEACC)
• Women's Pathways Conference (Delphi Center)
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WOMEN’S CENTER NEWSLETTER

Save the date: Nov. 9, 2017
Women’s Center Sponsors Annual Empowerment Luncheon

In addition to a speaker, several awards will also be presented — the Schubert Award, which is presented to a student who has demonstrated scholarly excellence; the Academic Integrity Award, which is presented to an individual who has demonstrated academic integrity; and the Academic Advisor of the Year Award, which is presented to the advisor who has demonstrated exceptional support for their advisees.

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WOMEN’S HISTORY MONTH CALENDAR

Women’s History Month Calendar

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The theme for this academic year has been one of growth. Over the past year, we supported our four existing student groups and added two more student groups. Empowering Ladies Together, which already had an established history of empowering women students on campus, joined the Women's Center. Expanding to a global perspective on women's issues, the Women's Center recruited students and launched the United Nations Association -Women at UofL student group. This group is the only nationally recognized United Nations Association student group of its kind in the country.

The Women's Center also launched the UofL Women's Network, an inclusive organization committed to encouraging and promoting the personal and professional development of women faculty and staff at UofL. Working in collaboration with University partners, the Women's Network provided access to valuable contacts and information on programming, sponsorships and networking opportunities. Some of the programs include: the Network Roundtable which brought together faculty and staff from all campuses with subject matter experts and facilitators who guided small group discussions for those interested in professional development and relationship building opportunities. We also hosted several Meet and Greets and after hours events to promote networking opportunities across units to promote retention.

To keep UofL Cardinal women connected to the University, the Women's Center partnered with the Alumni Office and founded a Women's Alumni Council. This council seeks to strengthen the bond between the university and alumnae, create and promote community service opportunities, help advocate for and mentor students, and work collaboratively to develop networking and engagement opportunities.

The Women's Center continues to look forward for opportunities to support and empower women. Events over the last year are evidence of the issues women face today. There is still much (Leave off good)work to do to empower women and build the future leaders of tomorrow.

Without the support of the University and the community, these impactful programs would not be possible. Thank you to our sponsors and volunteers who supported the Women's Center and our programs. We greatly appreciate you and extend our heartfelt thanks.

- UofL Women's Center Staff