



**NEVADA WOMEN'S  
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## **Nevada Women's Philanthropy grants \$350,000 to WestCare Nevada**

### ***\$30,000 NWP Founder's Gift awarded to Future Smiles***

Las Vegas (May 20, 2015) – Nevada Women's Philanthropy (NWP) elected to award its \$350,000 gift to WestCare Nevada to carry out vital improvements to an aging 33,000-square-foot building at its Women and Children's Campus in North Las Vegas. Future Smiles will receive the \$30,000 NWP Founder's Gift.

"I can tell you that this gift from NWP means that WestCare can continue to provide service that is of critical need to the women and children we serve," Senior Vice resident of Facility Operations, Michael Lavin said.

WestCare Nevada provides emergency housing, youth medical detox, substance and mental healthcare treatment, case management and job training among other services to over 1,600 people there per year at its Women and Children's Campus on Duncan Drive in North Las Vegas. The space was first built in 1960 and originally served as a nursing home. WestCare Nevada began its women and children's operations there in 2000. Lavin said the condition of the building was at a point where it was starting to impact WestCare's ability to operate.

"This gift changes everything," Lavin said.

WestCare Nevada was one of 40 grant applicants to NWP for the 2015 impact grant. The grant is thoroughly vetted by members who study the operation, meet staff and scrutinize budgets before narrowing down the applicants to two who present their ideas to members who select each year's recipient by popular vote.

"This year was another tough year for our members," NWP President, Kelly Cavanagh said. "Both Future Smiles and WestCare Nevada are terrific organizations who make a world of difference to this community.

"It is an honor to see WestCare Nevada and Future Smiles join a group of 17 other nonprofit agencies that NWP has invested with since it was founded in 2005," she said.

#### **NWP Mission Statement**

Nevada Women's Philanthropy (NWP) is a member driven, pooled fund, large impact grant making organization established in 2005 to address the needs of the greater Las Vegas community. NWP's membership consists of philanthropically motivated women, united by a powerful desire to address emerging issues facing our community in the areas of arts, education, environment, social services, and health. NWP has gifted \$3.91 million to date. It is currently celebrating 10 years of community giving. To learn more, please visit [www.nevadawomensphilanthropy.org](http://www.nevadawomensphilanthropy.org).

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