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United Way of Greater Milwaukee & Waukesha County's Women United Announces Endowment Fund for Teen Pregnancy Prevention.

Women United will present the Linda T. Mellowes "Woman Leader of the Year" award to Gail Lione during their annual bruncheon.

[05/16/19] – MILWAUKEE On Thursday, May 16, 2019, United Way of Greater Milwaukee & Waukesha County's Women United will announce the launch of the Endowment Fund for Teen Pregnancy Prevention at its annual Women United Bruncheon at the Pfister Hotel.

The annual Women United Bruncheon will highlight Women United's work within United Way's three pillars of Community Impact: Health, Education, and Financial Stability. This year, Women United welcomes keynote speaker Dr. Jeanette Kowalik, commissioner of health, City of Milwaukee Health Department. Dr. Kowalik will give an update on how her department is prioritizing maternal and child wellbeing.

The Women United Endowment Fund will be used to support evidence-based strategies that align with United Way's Teen Pregnancy Prevention Initiative in perpetuity. This fund recognizes the outstanding efforts of Elizabeth Brenner, Teen Pregnancy Prevention Oversight Committee Co-Chair, and the women and men who have made significant investments of time, talent, and treasure in this important initiative since its inception. Aurora Health Care along with generous individuals have already become founding members of this fund. Contributions to this fund are above and beyond annual donations made to United Way's Community Campaign. These investments will ensure United Way is able to continue the legacy of supporting programs that positively impact women and girls in our community.

Before the conclusion of the bruncheon, the Linda T. Mellowes "Woman Leader of the Year" award will be presented. The award, named after Linda T. Mellowes – former United Way board chair and founding member of the Women's Leadership group in 2002 – is awarded to a woman who exhibits leadership, is a role model, and gives back to our community. This year's recipient will be Gail Lione, senior counsel at Dentons and Chair of the Women United Global Leadership Council of United Way Worldwide. Lione has played an integral role in elevating the message and strategy of the critical work of Women United to networks across the world. She has used a collaborative approach to preventing teen pregnancy as a model of success when talking to women-leaders across the globe.



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Media is welcome to attend. Details below.

INTERVIEW AVAILABILITY:

Dr. Jeanette Kowalik, Commissioner of Health, Milwaukee Health Department
Gail Lione, Senior Counsel, Dentons
Nicole Angresano, VP of Community Impact for United Way

WHEN: Thursday, May 16, 2019
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

WHERE: The Pfister Hotel
424 E Wisconsin Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53202

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