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#### WELCOME CECILIA WOLFE

Cecilia joined FJC as a Program Assistant, working primarily on FJC's *Fiscal Sponsorship Program*. Cecilia worked with The Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation, and has a long association with theater. She has worked with and researched vulnerable and impoverished communities, with a focus on Public Health and access to care

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FJC's Board of Directors and Staff wish you a happy, healthy and prosperous 2016!

## YOUR PHILANTHROPIC NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION



A common New Year's resolution is to self-improve by running and walking. Among many of FJC's Fiscal Sponsorship Programs, the commitment to running and walking demonstrates community-based desires to effect meaningful change in the world, not just in the self. From early morning 5Ks to two-day 39 mile treks, the walks and runs are hosted by our programs to fundraise, simultaneously foster awareness and unity around the causes they serve.

Review some of the great work our fiscally sponsored programs do below – and consider stretching your legs and joining their or other causes this coming year!

**CHD Babies**, dedicated to supporting children with congenital heart defects, hosted their second annual "Run for LITTLE Hearts" in 2015. All proceeds raised by the 800 participants were donated to the CHD Families Association and CHD research projects at the Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, MI. CHD Babies will continue their annual 5k, 10k, and Kids Dash this year in May, 2016.

**Cowboy Up!** will host their annual memorial triathlon in August, 2016, in Smithville, MO. The event is held in honor of former Navy SEAL and triathlete, Matt Mason, to raise funds for two scholarships in Matt's name, as well as the following organizations: Word of Honor, American Legion Post 58, and Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing.

**The Hope Reichbach Fund,** established in honor of Hope and her passion for community leadership, hosts a "Run for Hope" 5K, now in its third year. In 2014 and 2015 combined, over 1,400 participants raised funds to support scholarships for students who take internships in civic leadership and community organizing.

**Wendy Walk**, established in honor of Wendy and her battle with Liposarcoma, is noted for the walks and marathons they host in Miami, New York, Los Angeles, and Park City Utah every spring. Partnered with the Liddy Shriver Sarcoma Initiative, Wendy Walk will continue to raise funds for Sarcoma research in 2016.











### FJC QUARTERLY

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# CITIZENS FOR RESPONSIBILITY AND ETHICS IN WASHINGTON: FIGHTING THE INFLUENCE OF MONEY IN POLITICS

Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington (CREW) fights the powerful interests corrupting politics by working to foster an open and honest government through comprehensive research into unethical actions, legal complaints and suits, and aggressive media outreach. Founded in 2003, CREW uses its notable strengths scrutinizing government ethics and taking legal action to call out corrupt political players and to hold politicians, industries, and government accountable for working in the best interest of the rich and powerful, rather than the public good. CREW is the only organization of its kind positioned to take on rigorous investigative research to expose misconduct and aggressive legal action to hold those in power accountable. With a small but nimble team of researchers, lawyers, and communicators, CREW seeks to foster a positive vision for open and honest government, where officials act in the public interest rather than be motivated by powerful industries and influencers. CREW also works to promote legislation that fosters better government and encourages public trust in democracy.

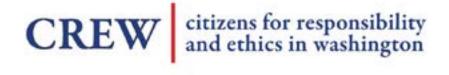
In the wake of the Supreme Court rulings in Citizens United v. FEC and McCutcheon v. FEC, moneyed interests have greater influence over politics than ever before. Powerful industries, as well as notorious donors like the Koch brothers and Karl Rove, hold outsized control over who gets elected and what policy decisions are made – including special interests gaining billions of dollars in subsidies. "Dark money," or undisclosed election spending, is unchecked, and politicians and policy are being bought for unprecedented amounts at both the federal and state levels.



We're creating a new culture in Washington. We're taking a stand against the billionaires and corporations trying to buy our government, and

we're going to win. We saw some major victories in 2015, from helping break the scandal that led to the resignation of Rep. Aaron Schock to exposing fake "social welfare" organizations spending uncounted millions in secret money to influence elections. We're prepared to make major progress in the face of unprecedented dark money in 2016, but we can't do it alone. CREW is a donor supported non-profit; we can only take action with your help.

We hope that you'll take a minute to take a look at our website for up to date information on our complaints and investigations, www.citizensforethics.org, and follow us on Twitter, @CREWcrew.



Ed. Note: CREW has an Earmarked Fund Account (EFA) at FJC. EFAs are often opened at the direction of a grantor who has special instructions with regard to the use of the funds. The funds are deposited at FJC and withdrawn by the depositor to be used for the purposes established by the terms of the grant.