

# PATHFINDER

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The **Pathfinder Giving Circle** is a sustaining donor circle designed to support scholarships into the GENaustin's (the Girls Empowerment Network's) newest program, Pathfinder. Membership offers professional women a place to connect meaningfully with high school girls who are learning how to navigate the road to college, career and independence.

We invite you to join the Pathfinder Circle. Your membership fee of \$500 makes the Pathfinder Program accessible to one ambitious girl who cannot afford it.

## **Benefits of Pathfinder Circle Membership:**

- Attend a luncheon with Austin women leaders and graduating participants of the Pathfinder Program
- Engage in meaningful interaction with Pathfinder girls
- Network with like-minded executive and entrepreneurial women
- Receive exclusive updates on Pathfinder

Members can also multiply the benefits of their donation by becoming a "mentoring" member of the Circle, which means that in addition to their own membership, mentors "sponsor" one or more young women to be a member(s) of the Circle. This provides an opportunity to model philanthropy to a young professional woman, and to offer them mentorship into philanthropic involvement, perhaps before their financial situation would otherwise allow. The responsibilities for the young woman you sponsor will be to volunteer for GENaustin at least once during the year, to begin saving to hopefully pay their own way into the Circle next year, and to consider "paying it forward" by sponsoring another young woman into the Circle in the future when their finances can support their philanthropy at that level.

## **How to Join:**

Simply visit GENaustin's website and [make a \\$500 contribution to the "Pathfinder Giving Circle"](#) or contact Ami Kane, Development Director, [ami@genaustin.org](mailto:ami@genaustin.org), to make other payment arrangements.

## **About the Pathfinder Program:**

GENaustin's Pathfinder Program is a personal and professional leadership development program aimed at giving high school girls a head start on their road to college, career and independence. This summer program helps young women uncover their strengths, develop skills like interviewing and public speaking, explore different industries and professions, and gain access to women leaders — all with the support of like-minded peers.