Thought Leadership Blog

Are you feeling stressed or overwhelmed? These are not uncommon feelings to have in today’s world. Angela Angiolieri, counselor, discusses how you can incorporate mindfulness practices into your daily lives on our thought leadership blog.

Read the blog here!

Advocacy Update

As we look toward recovery, job seekers in Pennsylvania will need the critical services provided

PA Women Work’s CEO Announces Retirement

After nearly a decade at the helm of PA Women Work, Julie Marx-Lally has announced her retirement. Julie joined the organization in the spring of 2012. During her tenure she has grown the organization through the development of innovative programming that supported a variety of client populations, built funding partnerships that tripled the organizational budget, and expanded the staff and overall operations that led to growth and stability.

"Julie has helped advance the mission of our organization and created programs that have helped thousands of individuals across the state achieve stability and success,” said Leslye Herrmann, PA Women Work's Board Chair. "She is leaving the organization in a strong financial position and has created a solid foundation where we can continue to grow and prosper. We are thankful for her dedication, compassion and leadership."

Some of her key achievements include:

- The creation and expansion of 3 Cups of Coffee®, a short-term mentorship program which has led to the growth of volunteers, corporate partners and replication of the program at JEVS in Philadelphia. Additionally, Julie created 3 Cups of Coffee GRAD to serve the community college population.
Through New Choices. We need your help to ensure that the New Choices/New Options line item remains in the Governor’s budget.

If you are interested in reaching out to your local state legislators and sharing why the New Choices program is resource that vital to the economy’s recovery, contact Abby Swalga at aswalga@pawomenwork.org.

#WinItWednesday Raffle is back!

This year’s #WinItWednesday raffle is back and better than ever! This year’s prizes include...
- $1,000 Orr’s Jewelers shopping spree
- Two-night stay in Deep Creek, Maryland
- $150 Gift Card tree

Raffle tickets are 1 for $10 or 3 for $25! The first winner selected has their choice of prize. Winners will be selected Wed., May 26.

Join us as we honor Julie’s accomplishments with some photos that highlight the work and impact she has made.

3 Cups of Coffee GRAD Expanding to Westmoreland County

Since 2019, our 3 Cups of Coffee GRAD program has been supporting upcoming Community College of Allegheny College (CCAC) graduates and recent alumni connect with a mentor to help open doors to employment opportunities. Many students who have taken part in the program have said that the advice and support they received from their mentors helped lead to a brighter future.

The outcome at CCAC has been so positive that we are expanding 3 Cups of Coffee GRAD to Westmoreland County.

“We are thrilled to be partnering with Westmoreland County Community College (WCCC),” shared Mary Saula, Pennsylvania Women Work’s new mentorship specialist. “This is an exciting opportunity to build relationships with organizations in the area and help students gain the confidence and connections necessary to find meaningful employment.”
PA Women Work is currently recruiting mentors from organizations located near WCCC, including partners United Way of Southwestern Pennsylvania and First Energy.

If you live in Westmoreland County and you are interested in becoming a 3 Cups of Coffee mentor, please reach out to Mary Saula at msaula@pawomenwork.org. The impact you may have on someone searching for a job could be lifechanging.

3 Cups of Coffee GRAD is made possible thanks to the Arconic Foundation, Buhl Foundation, the Elsie H. Hillman Foundation, FedEx Ground, FirstEnergy Foundation, Jack Buncher Foundation, Snee-Reinhardt Charitable Trust, the Next Generation Fund of the Roy A. Hunt Foundation and The Pittsburgh Foundation.

Volunteer Spotlight: Lindsay McIntosh-Yeomans

After volunteering for our annual Circle of Hope Awards Dinner in 2011, Lindsay was eager to jump in head-first and get more involved with the organization.

“Listening to the clients speak about their stories and how PA Women Work helped them through their career transition, I knew I had to do more and wanted to be involved,” Lindsay remembered.

Since then, Lindsay has volunteered on multiple event committees; fundraises through the Highmark Walk every year; contributes to the Silent Auction; assisted with our virtual event, Hope for a Brighter Tomorrow; and helped with our advocacy efforts. “My second year involved, I traveled to Harrisburg for ‘advocacy day’ to speak to our legislators about New Choices. I got to spend the day with clients of PA Women Work and learn and listen to their stories,” Lindsay shared that this was one of her favorite memories as a volunteer.

Additionally, Lindsay is an active member of our Corporate Advisory Committee. In her role at BNY Mellon as Lead Manager, Payroll Tax and Accounting, she actively encourage her colleagues to support PA Women Work in various ways throughout the year.

Thank you to Lindsay for your continued support of our organization! We are so lucky to have you on our team. If you’d like to join Lindsay as a volunteer, sign up for one of our current virtual volunteer opportunities today.
Join us for this year's VIRTUAL Highmark Walk!

As the weather takes a turn for the better, we’re all out taking a few more walks these days. Why not take one of those walks in support of Pennsylvania Women Work by joining this year’s virtual Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community?

Women Work by joining this year’s virtual Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community?

When you sign up, you can take your stroll whenever it is convenient for you – or you can simply make a donation. This is an easy opportunity to help women and families who continue to struggle due to the impacts of the pandemic. All proceeds go directly to our clients and will help more women rebuild their lives and get back to work.

As we look toward brighter days this spring, you can make a real difference by taking part in this year’s Highmark Walk.

There are many ways to participate:
1. Start your own team and encourage friends and family to get involved with you!
2. Join someone else’s team.
3. Donate directly to PA Women Work.
4. Share information about PA Women Work and our involvement in the Walk!

For more information, please email Abby Swalga at aswalga@pawomenwork.org.