

Further Advancing Women in Our Society

Women have gone through a lot to achieve the same goal; to be recognized as a strong, independent person just like men. Through voting rights, sexism, and all the prejudice women get, they have stayed strong through everything. I, have been awarded a grant for one million dollars and I plan on using it to expand women rights and further women's advancement in our society.

With my million dollars I would first start a foundation to get hands on with the women of our community to make women want to expand their horizons and accomplish something for the neighborhood. Many women are scared to take that risk because individuals are taught at a young age that women are not qualified to do men's work. Take Betty Skelton Frankman for example. She was one of the first women to have a career in aviation. At that time, men were extremely sexist and didn't believe that women were smart enough, physically and mentally. Frankman says, "It is not easy to be the best. You must have the courage to bear pain, disappointment, and heartbreak. You must learn how to face danger and understand fear, yet not be afraid. You establish your goal, and no matter what deters you along the way, in your every waking moment you must say to yourself, I could do it." She is the perfect example that women can accomplish anything they put their minds to. I would start this foundation with the mindset of getting women up and moving to help the community.

Also with my million dollars I would donate to charity to help others. Gloria Estefan supported many charities, investing millions of dollars into charities such as, Voices Against

Violence, The Miami Project, and even started her own foundation that promoted education, health, and cultural development. Estefan quoted, “My mom was a source of strength. She showed me by example that women, regardless of how difficult life may get, can do it all.” It is clear that she believes, as I do, that women have the strength to do whatever they put their minds to, which includes not only helping themselves, but also others that are in need. Unfortunately, Estefan got in a severe car accident causing her to have a critical spine injury. However, she got better and devoted her life to different charities, even though she was sick herself. This act of kindness and boldness tell us that women are kind-hearted people and should get the recognition women deserve. With my million dollars, I will donate to a variety of different charities to show that women are kind.

With my million dollars I will start a foundation to get women moving and helping the community and donate to charities. As a young woman, I am inspired by the achievements of women who have come before me. Women have fought a tough battle to finally be recognized as the strong and brave people that they deserve to be.