

The Greater Capital Region Endowment Fund
Cornelia A. Bregman Scholarship Fund
for Women Returning to Education



Our Network:

The Capital Region Women's Network (CRWN) is a local chapter of New York State Women, Inc. NYS Women, Inc. fosters the success of working women by providing career advancement resources, worklife strategies and personal and professional connections. The CRWN was founded in 1981 for the purpose of promoting equity for all women in the workplace through advocacy, education, and information.

Consisting of a core group of 30 active women across the Capital Region, the CRWN supports women and their families in the Capital Region through volunteering at the local food pantry, Adopt-a-Family, supporting women's shelters, mentoring young women through network activities, and raising funds, through its Greater Capital Region Endowment Fund, for the Cornelia A. Bregman Scholarship Fund for Women Returning to Education.

Our Goal:

Named after Corrie Bregman, an enthusiastic member and passionate supporter of young women until her untimely passing, the goal of our scholarship program is to aid women who are changing, starting or advancing careers due to underemployment, lack of appropriate education, changes in their household, or other circumstances which have hampered or delayed their earnings capacity or job stability. Each recipient receives a scholarship of \$2,000.

One of the first scholarship winners was a mature woman who had never worked outside the home. Left suddenly single, needing to support herself and her family, she enrolled in a course to become a court reporter. Because her program was not connected to a college, she was not eligible for student loans. Our scholarship helped her complete her program and begin a well-paying career. For more than twenty years, the Cornelia A. Bregman Scholarship Fund has supported the educational goals of a diverse group of women pursuing a wide variety of careers. These women had something in common: they set clear goals and were determined to better themselves and their families by educating themselves.

Criteria:

The scholarship is open to all women aged 25 or older, who are permanent residents of Albany, Schenectady, Rensselaer, Columbia, Greene, Saratoga or Washington Counties and who are in financial need.

**For further information, contact the Capital Region Women's Network at
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