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- Contributions to The Policy Circle are deemed charitable under section 501(a) of the internal revenue code as an organization described in Section 501(c)(3). Our Tax ID is 47-2843650.
- Payments must be received before the end of the year to be eligible for a tax deduction in that year.
- There is no minimum contribution amount.
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### INVEST IN THE POLICY CIRCLE

The Policy Circle provides a fact-based, nonpartisan framework that inspires women living in the same community to connect, learn about, and discuss public policies that impact their lives. The Policy Circle Roundtable discussions empower women to become more vocal in public policy dialogue & civic engagement within their community, their state, and their country.

Visit www.thepolicycircle.org/donate to invest today.

With your interest and support, we will continue to encourage women to learn about the impact of public policy on our free-enterprise system and make the biggest ripple in their pond.

Every Policy Circle member receives:

- A complete library of over 23 policy Briefs
- A website community that values their privacy and allows them to view upcoming meetings and events and keep in touch between
- discussions Legislative and executive policy updates
- Participation in a growing national grassroots network!

#### Official Policy Circle Member | \$50

Receive an official Policy Circle lapel pin & access to the members only website and Library of Briefs

### Policy Facilitator | \$1,000

\$1,000 helps to develop 'How to Become an Influencer' training

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- Commemorative Policy Circle Hourglass Timer to facilitate productive Circle discussion
- Invitation to exclusive quarterly phone calls with The Policy Circle Founders and policy influencers

### Policy Leader | \$5,000

\$5,000 funds the Library of Policy Briefs

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- Complimentary Registration for you and a guest to the Circle
- Arrange for a policy expert to speak to a circle in your state

#### Founders' Circle Member | \$10,000

\$10,000 helps the Policy Circle expand in target states

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- Complimentary Registration for you and a guest to the Circle Leadership Summit
- Arrange for a policy expert to speak to a circle in your state
- Logo/Name printed on The Policy Circle website
- Host an exclusive Policy Circle event in your region

#### Sylvie's Circle | 25,000

\$25,000 allows The Policy Circle to build out membership and staff nationwide

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- Logo/Name printed Recognition on The Policy Circle website
- Host an exclusive Policy Circle event in your region
- Invitations to participate in unique gatherings in DC, New York and Chicago with Sylvie Légère Ricketts, Angela Braly and Kathy Hubbard
- Invitation to join senior staff at The Policy Circle Headquarters for a private briefing on the Policy Circle's Leadership Curriculum

#### Policy Executive Member | \$50,000

Giving at the \$50,000 level contributes to the infrastructure to scale up The Policy Circle across the nation. If you are interested in giving at this level please contact Anne Williams directly at awilliams@thepolicycircle.org.



# What is The Policy Circle?

The Policy Circle's vision is one of women across the Nation, connected and engaged in their communities, openly sharing their views and taking a leadership role in public policy dialogue on what human creativity can accomplish in an open market economy.

The Policy Circle is a national grassroots network of circles, each led by two or three women leaders. Using fact-based Policy Briefs as conversation guides for roundtable discussions, women learn from each other to become better informed, more engaged and more active in supporting policies that limit government and foster entrepreneurial economies. Women are inspired to become more vocal in public policy dialogue and civic engagement within their communities, states and country.

The Policy Circle serves women and the public by encouraging thoughtful dialogue across the nation on public policy and enabling women to strengthen their voices by gaining the confidence to express their opinions, whether among friends or in a forum, and to become a force for positive change. The Policy Circle believes women can start the conversation to change the conversation *and ultimately the landscape of our country*.

# Why is The Policy Circle important?

The Policy Circle was created because many women want to become more informed and involved in public policy but aren't sure where to start. These women are intelligent and concerned but currently sit on the sidelines because they lack an easy way to engage in policy dialogue with others. The Policy Circle provides a framework for women to connect and openly share their views. The Policy Circle engages women who were formerly uninvolved in policy discussion and action.

"Women have not historically been empowered to thoughtfully engage in important public policy dialogue at a grassroots level. We believe in the value of face-to-face meetings in a "Circle" format to discuss important public policy issues including the core idea that free market practices and policies provide greater opportunities and better lives for everyone."

- Sylvie Légère, Co-Founder

## How We Are Championing the Cause

The Policy Circle model encompasses five programmatic elements designed to transform women into free-market champions:

**Circles:** The core program of The Policy Circle is the establishment and growth of "circles" in communities across the nation. Circles are groups ranging from 10 to 12 women in the same community who are led by two or three circle leaders. Many circles are community-based or organized by professional affiliation. Starting local or by profession often leads to further participation at the state and national levels. Circles meet in members' homes, or office and follow a roundtable discussion meeting format. This program fosters circle growth and activity, as well as connecting members and circles across a state.

Framework for Discussion Model: At the heart of the Policy Circle framework is the roundtable discussion in which members feel heard and validated. The leaders of the group are not policy experts; they are *Respectful Facilitators* and their role is to encourage each member to participate. The roundtable discussion is a proven learning model also known as "Socratic Learning" or inquiry based learning. The discussion framework ensures a productive and inclusive meeting. The Policy Circle provides education on effective circle facilitation through videos, posts, and collateral material. These materials include agendas, defined roles for participants, and meeting rules.

Ongoing Policy Education: A Year of Policy Conversations & Weekly Posts: A Year of Policy Conversations & Weekly Posts: The Policy Circle encourages Circles to meet every other months to discuss policy issues. The Policy Circle develops fact-based briefs that circle members review in preparation for their meetings. The discussion themes consist of: U.S. and the World, In&Outs of Economics, Creating Opportunities, American Exceptionalism and Healthcare. Specific national are continuously developed and maintained including: Foreign Policy, Free Enterprise, Fiscal Responsibility, Economic Growth, Taxation, Government Regulation, Entitlements, Energy and the Environment, , K12 Education, Higher Education, Health Care, Poverty, Civic Engagement and Free Speech. In addition, The Policy Circle collaborates with state-level free-market think tanks to develop snapshots on the policy impact on each state in its network.

Private Members-only Website - Custom Technology to Connect: The Policy Circle's custom technology platform enables members to *privately* post articles and summaries of their discussions, view briefs, and organize meetings. The event and content management system enables members to post articles and events so they are visible to circles at a local, state or national level. Members can also tag posts by issue. Weekly, the website also delivers "The Conversation", which is a digest of the week's post to a circle. Social media technology integration is also leveraged to grow the number of circles nationwide.

Becoming an Influencer Education: The ultimate goal of the circle program is to encourage women to become influencers in their own communities. By connecting with a network of women with whom they can identify and trust, members naturally become more confident and engaged. They participate more in town hall meetings, become more active on social media and start conversations with friends and family that they might not have started before. The Policy Circle encourages engagement by providing materials on how to become an influencer online and off, offers annual Leadership Summits with interactive leadership training specifically designed to provide Circle Members with information and tools to lead a thriving circle, broaden their influence and make strategic connections. Additionally, The Policy Circle connects circles with policy resources to provide circle members with information on how to influence policy that fosters human flourishing in an open economy in their specific state.

"I am different person since joining The Policy Circle: from strengthening my voice, to vastly improving my understanding of public policy, to getting involved in local government issues and believing that my opinion matters. The Policy Circle gave me the confidence to run for local office." Stacey Woehrle, Policy Circle Member

# What Do We Want to Accomplish?

The goal of The Policy Circle is to empower women to become influencers and ultimately leaders in their local communities to promote the values of economic freedom and liberty and policies that foster free-enterprise.

The Policy Circle program is transforming the current generation of adult women into thoughtful leaders and informed advocates. The Policy Circle will serve as a legacy to our daughters and to future generations who will continue the promotion of our key principles through an open and effective policy dialogue, grounded in evidence and facts.