



## 2018 WOMEN2WOMEN MEMBER TESTIMONIALS

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### **Kelly A. Beaver, Vice President – Engineering & Operations Support, UGI Utilities, Inc.**

Partnering with Women2Women has been valuable not only for the students benefiting from a 20% tuition discount on their classes here at Alvernia University, but also for the school, and for me! Alvernia University has been able to take advantage of **innovative and important programming for women leaders in our community**, and we appreciate the excellent networking opportunities that come along with attending the events to forward our mission to recruit, enroll, and graduate lifelong learners! I enjoy the professional way Women2Women facilitates events and activities, and have personally benefited from the diverse programming. As a representative of AU, **I'm proud to be part of the effort to create more women leaders** in Reading and Berks County!

### **Hillary Schulze - Enrollment Coordinator, Alvernia University**

I am an Engineer for C&S Wholesalers Inc. I have seen reports where women make up a greater percentage of students at colleges and universities in America now than a few decades ago. In an ever changing world, and being in a profession that has been dominated by men, Women2Women an affiliate of the Greater Reading Chamber Alliance, has allowed me to find, meet with, assist other women, and become friends with women of all ages and backgrounds in the pursuit of a common goal: **gaining knowledge, self respect, the respect of our peers, and succeeding in our chosen fields**.

### **Martha Alvarez Taylor IE, MBA - Manager of Engineering Processes, C&S Wholesale Grocers Inc.**

I have been fortunate to participate in the **Lean In Circle** for two years and recommend it for any woman wishing to **advance herself personally and professionally**. The women in my circles became invested in experiences of others in the group, and wanted to see them succeed. While supporting the other women in their goals, I grew in my own confidence. Hearing their stories made me want to be a better director, and colleague. I discovered things I didn't know about myself, some that I could change, and some that I could amplify. At the end of the year, I not only **expanded my professional network**, but made friends along the way.

### **Vanessa Wanshop, Director of Volunteer Services - Tower Health Reading Hospital**

## Events & Programs

- Professional development events
- Distinguished women speaker series
- Annual Spring Renewal Expo
- ATHENA Award Reception
- Latina professional development and speakers series
- Lean In Circles (60+ attendees per year in small facilitated groups)



**2500+**  
Women2Women  
attendees per year

**450+**  
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attendees per year

**60+**  
volunteers  
per year

**280+**  
volunteer hours  
per year



**5500+**  
receiving  
e-news & magazine



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**Kelly Beaver**  
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## Partnerships

Alvernia University  
Safe Berks  
Literacy Council of Reading  
Pagoda Pacers  
Junior League of Reading



## Initiatives

Summer Reading Program  
Latina Book Club  
ESL Class Outreach  
Latina Conference  
Community Call Outs



## Women Want Professional Development

Nearly half (47%) of women surveyed in the U.S. believe men have better access to **professional development and career growth opportunities** than they do. Professional development:

- Increases worker productivity
- Improves retention and absenteeism
- Creates a positive and supportive work culture



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