Women are powerful beyond what society gives women credit for. Shohn Stoker. “All women are creators, teachers, leaders and skilled multi-taskers.” C. JoyBell C. “Women are never stronger than when they arm themselves with their weaknesses. “ Madame Marie du Deffand. “The strength of a woman is not measured by the impact that all her hardships in life have had on her; but the strength of a woman is measured by the extent of her refusal to allow those hardships to dictate her and who she becomes.” C. JoyBell C. “Women are powerful beyond what society gives women credit for. Shohn Stoker.” God uses brave, courageous women who love him and who aren’t afraid to step outside the ordinary role of a person in everyone’s lives and should be considered great women.” Shohn Stoker. “A woman can say more in a sigh than a man can say in a sermon.” Arnold Haultain. “Because man and woman are the complement of one another, we need woman’s thought in national affairs to make a safe and stable government.” Elizabeth Cady Stanton.
We have established HER Fund at the American University of Beirut Medical Center (AUBMC) to help cover the medical expenses of women who suffer from critical and life-threatening obstetrical and gynecological conditions. This initiative is one of the cornerstones of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology’s 140-year mission of providing patient care across a woman’s life span, education, and research.

Who are we?

Established in April 2013, HER Fund is a charitable fundraising initiative, affiliated with the Women’s Health Center at the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology (AUBMC), and run by a group of dedicated volunteers.

We work with AUBMC’s Social Services Office that determines whether a woman qualifies for financial assistance. This determination is based solely on a woman’s financial needs. We firmly believe that any woman who needs help — regardless of race, social status, or religion — should get the assistance she needs.

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How does the fund help?

Every woman should be provided with the opportunity to achieve, sustain and maintain her health. However, many obstacles and challenges arise when it comes to women’s health services.

HER Fund helps cover the cost of hospital treatment and surgeries for underprivileged women who suffer from critical and life threatening gynecological and obstetrical conditions. These include, but are not limited to, complex gynecologic conditions (such as female cancers and diseases requiring minimally invasive techniques) and high-risk obstetric conditions (such as pregnancies complicated by birth defects, genetic disorders, and life-threatening placental conditions).

The fund’s most important initiative is to give special attention to women with cancer and raise awareness. In Lebanon, the overall crude incidence rate for all cancers combined is 126.8 per 100,000 among females. The most common gynecologic cancers are breast, ovarian, uterine, and cervical. Screening for ovarian cancer remains imprecise and while Pap smear testing remains an essential cervical cancer screening tool, its uptake in Lebanon is still low, estimated at 10-15%.

The fund will provide an immediate and continuous funding source for such women and for educational outreach programs.

Our goals are:

• To provide effective and compassionate care.
• To cover the costs of expensive diagnostic tests and treatments.
• To increase awareness about women’s health problems.

THESE WOMEN NEED YOU & TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!
How can I help?

HER Fund relies solely on the generosity of benefactors and volunteers. The scope and breadth of our activities is limited to the amount of funds available. Today, increasingly difficult economic conditions make charitable support more important than ever. In addition, we are always looking for community members who would like to volunteer and get involved and help with our outreach programs and fundraising.

"WHEN YOU THINK OF THE WORD "WOMAN", YOU THINK OF MOTHERS, WIVES, DAUGHTERS, AUNTS, SISTERS & GRANDMOTHERS."

Shohn Stoker

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