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Dear AAUW Ann Arbor Branch leaders and members,

WOW - I just learned from our team that your branch made a very generous donation to our Greatest Needs Fund. I'm so grateful to each and every one of the Ann Arbor Branch members. Please share my deep personal thanks with all those whose passion for AAUW's mission made this gift possible. Your gift gives us a head start as we embrace the year ahead with determination, an abundance of resilience and clear-eyed optimism.

Your AAUW Greatest Needs gift provides flexible support, which is especially important now as we continue to face challenges on every front. Your branch gift enables us to intensify our focus on addressing inequities exposed and exacerbated by the pandemic, which run even deeper in our society than some of us realized. We're sharply focused on the right COVID19 economic recovery plans to ensure we can improve our society in every way—in education and training, in the workplace, in leadership and in every sector. It's a long road ahead and your support is crucial to keep us focused on research, analysis, policy/advocacy and programs that will bolster girls and women in all of their pursuits.

With 2021 now well underway, all of us at AAUW National continue to work from home safely but nonetheless committed and passionate about our work ahead. Much as we have since the pandemic shutdown the world as we once knew it, I am confident your national staff will continue to focus on the most pressing issues facing women and girls in this uncertain time.

Again, thank you so very much on behalf of all of us for your generosity. Please continue to take every precaution, stay safe and be well—but do remain connected with your fellow branch members in virtual programs and activities. And, I hope to “see” many of you on a Zoom AAUW webinar soon.

With sincere gratitude,

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