

Capital Sisters International

Micro Loans for Women in Poverty



Awards and Recognition – Patricia Foley Hinnen

Patricia Foley Hinnen, Founding CEO of Capital Sisters International, has received numerous prestigious awards and acknowledgments for her work in the areas of micro lending, impact investing, and financial inclusion, including:

- Recognition for bringing Gender Lens Investing to the Colorado Women’s Foundation to screen and manage its entire \$30 million dollar endowment and impact investments (2023)
- Top three Finalist for the Outsized Impact Award - Exponent Philanthropy, formerly the Council on Small Foundations (2022)
- International Impact Award, Governor’s Office of Economic Development and International Trade - Pitch Competition (2021)
- “Ideas Remaking the World” Award, for creating the first women’s Bond in the world – the International Women’s Forum (2019)
- Nominated for the Sargent Shriver Award, for Distinguished Humanitarian Service (2019)
- Official U.S. Delegate to the United Nations Conference on the Status of Women (2018-present)
- Inaugural List “Who’s Who in Impact Investing,” - Denver Business Journal (2017)
- The Global Purpose Prize for Financial Inclusion - AARP/MetLife Foundation/Encore, for work in micro finance and economic justice for women around the world (2016)
- Pathfinder Award for Outstanding Female Entrepreneur - World Denver (2016)
- One of “15 Inspiring Female CEOs to Impact the World” - Cause Artists (2015)
- Chair of the world’s first Gender Lens Investing Symposium, in partnership with Beyond Our Borders (2015)
- Leader, Impact Investing Marketplace - Impact Finance Center (2014)
- Encore Fellowship - for innovative work in gender and microfinance (2013)
- Recognition from Friendship Bridge, a Microfinance Institution in Guatemala - for dedicated service (2012)
- Acknowledgment from the Ambassador for Global Women’s Issues at the U.S. State Department for a decade of service to the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation forum, an organization of 21 countries - as head of the U.S. delegation to the APEC Women Leaders Network (2011)
- Global Service Award - Alliance of Professional Women (2010)
- Semi-finalist Echoing Green Innovation Fellowship - for Social Entrepreneurs (2010)
- “World of Difference 100 Award,” for creating and building Micro Loan Programs in the United States and in 24 developing countries (2009)
- Nominated for an Ashoka Fellowship - for Social Entrepreneurs (2007)
- Rocky Mountain Microfinance Scholarship named in Patricia’s honor (2006)
- 21st Century Leadership Award - the International Alliance for Women (2004)