
PLUS

FOUNDATION

Giving Back, Preparing the Future

2025 ANNUAL REPORT



PLUS FOUNDATION MISSION

The PLUS Foundation supports tomorrow's diverse professional liability workforce through outreach, education, mentoring and giving back.

The PLUS Foundation is a 501(c) (3) charity, supported by the Professional Liability Underwriting Society (PLUS), the PLUS Foundation provides programs, opportunities, and charitable giving to champion individuals and groups who face obstacles to entering or advancing their career and populations that are underrepresented in professional liability insurance or in senior management, including women, people of color, veterans, and people with disabilities.

2025 Charitable Giving & Program Expenses

Conference Cause: \$31,000

Women's Leadership Network (WLN): \$55,800

Leadership and Mentoring Program (LAMP): \$100,975

Chapter Ally Grants: \$25,000

WLN Scholarship: \$5,000

DONATE WITH CONFIDENCE

The PLUS Foundation is a 4-Star Charity, receiving a 100% rating from Charity Navigator. The Professional Liability Underwriting Society (PLUS) covers most operational and administrative expenses for the Foundation, so donations fund programs and giving. 990 tax forms are available upon request.

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PROGRAM SUMMARY



Women's Leadership Network

The PLUS Foundation's Women's Leadership Network (WLN) provides opportunities for women to network, improve their professional skills, and learn from the experience of other accomplished women. WLN advances tomorrow's professional liability workforce by encouraging and developing strong female leadership.

WLN Events | Over 350 women and men, at varying stages of their careers, assembled across North America to connect with each other and gain inspiration at Women's Leadership Network events held in Philadelphia, Montreal, and San Francisco. Each event hosted a speaker(s) that was able to engage with the attendees on a variety of relevant topics, including Professional Liability Insurance industry related best practices, and carved out time for them all to gather and network with one another.

WLN Scholarships | The PLUS Foundation is proud to provide the Women's Leadership Network Scholarship to women who are investing in themselves to obtain positions of greater responsibility and enhance their contribution in the workplace and in the industry. Recipients receive up to \$5,000 for leadership education and programs, are paired with an industry mentor, receive a VIP experience at the PLUS Conference, complimentary attendance at Women's Leadership Network events, and opportunities to learn from PLUS and PLUS Foundation leaders.

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Allyship

The PLUS Foundations' DEIA programs serve groups that have traditionally been underrepresented in the Professional Liability Insurance industry, offering pathways to enter—and resources to advance—a career in professional liability insurance.

Leadership and Mentoring Program | Under the stewardship of the PLUS Foundation, LAMP aims to increase the leadership skills and influence of individuals who have faced and/or overcome challenges due to lack of resources, extraordinary circumstances, and/or inequitable experiences in the professional liability insurance industry.

LAMP seeks to advance the careers of program participants, to develop motivated leaders to fuel organizational success, and to enhance the effectiveness and diversity of the wider professional liability community. LAMP is FREE to participants; program, travel, and expenses are paid by the PLUS Foundation.

Since 2015, we have supported 122 individuals through this program. Since graduating, many have received additional certifications, made numerous connections across the industry, elevated within their careers, and held leadership positions both within PLUS and PLUS Foundation and their local communities.

In 2025 LAMP cohort, we had 19 incredible individuals participate by attending the annual PLUS Conference free of charge, personal leadership assessment and coaching, ability to attend a PLUS educational symposium free of charge, be mentored by a senior level Professional Liability professional, three complimentary PLUS curriculum study modules, and the opportunity to network and build relationships within the Professional Liability community.

2025 LAMP Cohort



PROGRAM SUMMARY

Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, & Allyship (cont'd)

Excellence in Diversity Award | This prestigious award is provided annually to a member of the Professional Liability Insurance Industry who supports the mission of the PLUS Foundation through their actions to advance diversity, equity, inclusion, and allyship in the industry.

The awardees are recognized and celebrated for their support and work around advancing equality and promoting a culture of inclusion. Many have deepened the awareness and understanding of equality and diversity related issues and have supported creative and inclusive workplace policies that support the needs of a diverse staff.

2025 EID Award Recipient

Mercedes Colwin, Founding Partner
New York City office of Gordon & Rees LLP



Partnerships and Giving

A key part of the PLUS Foundation mission is giving back to communities across the country to help support underrepresented individuals and families in a variety of ways. We do so by hosting our Conference Cause program annually in various cities throughout the US and partnering with PLUS Chapters to support local not for profit organizations that serve and support their communities around.

Conference Cause | Since 2004, Conference Cause has thrived thanks to incredible support from PLUS members and local communities. In 2025, we partnered with Orlando Fisher House in the Orlando area. Through fundraising and our financial commitment, each organization received close to \$31,000 in support as well as partnered with our members to participate in a volunteer activity to assist these organizations in their upcoming events.



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Partnerships and Giving (cont'd)

Chapter Ally Grants | The most tangible and effective giving often happens at a local level. Since 2004 the PLUS Foundation has supported the PLUS Chapter charitable efforts by enabling members to make a difference in their communities through grants and volunteering. Since 2020 the focus of the grants is to support job preparation and workforce development.

In 2025, the PLUS Foundation was able to support 6 organizations across the country to assist in delivering their mission to their communities. The organizations are Dress for Success Atlanta, The Grace Institute in New York, Dress for Success Hartford, Andree Collective in Philadelphia, and the Canal Alliance in Northern California.

PLUS Foundation Luncheon | Every year, the PLUS Foundation hosts a luncheon during the PLUS conference to gather Professional Liability Insurance professionals to learn more about the impact the PLUS Foundation makes, raise dollars for the local conference cause organization, hear from a national renown leader who has overcome obstacles to along their journey, and connect with each other in celebration of the PLUS Foundation mission.

In 2025, we had over 450 individuals attend the luncheon to hear from Sam Rapoport, a trailblazing, award-winning executive who's reshaping the future of sports through power, equity, and representation. After more than 20 years driving transformational change in the NFL, she now serves the league as a Senior Advisor, guiding the next wave of gender equity initiatives that she helped pioneer.



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