

## **MATCH DAY 2018**

# **POWER's positive influence continues**

SIDNEY — Match Day is helping the Shelby County United Way Women's Initiative Group POWER make a positive impact in the lives of children and families in Shelby County. The mission of POWER (Passionate Optimistic Women Encouraging Results) is to build a powerful force of women philanthropists who develop financial resources, unite in service and are advocates for programs and initiatives that benefit children and their families in Shelby County.

POWER has supported children and families since their conception in 2014 in many ways and one of those is by providing very POWERful allocations. POWER accepts applications for annual grants for up to \$1,000 in July every year. The grant monies are earmarked for projects that fulfill POWER's mission to help provide programs and assistance to initiatives that benefit children and families in Shelby County. The grants are awarded to only 501(c)(3) agencies or government entities. Grants this year have been awarded to nine organizations totalling \$6,000.

One of POWER's main initiatives is their Kindergarten Tutoring program where they place professionals into kindergarten classes as tutors. They are now impacting five schools and over 300 students.

To support POWER on Match Day, gifts must be made payable to the Community Foundation of Shelby County with: Match/UW noted on the memo or in an accompanying note or form. Details and forms are available at the Community Foundation website at [www.commfoun.com](http://www.commfoun.com). Gifts must be received on or before Nov. 27 to be eligible for up to \$5,000 in matching money.

Give once and gift twice by considering a donation to POWER for Match Day!



**During the 2018 Day of Action, POWER members painted a room in the Shelby County Courthouse.**