The work of the Fund can greatly change the lives of those women graduate refugees it helps, as the following examples illustrate:

An Ethiopian refugee now living in Australia who was unable to find employment in her field of agricultural science without upgrading her computer skills. The AGW Queensland branch was able to help her find an appropriate course and offer her moral support, and the Fund covered her tuition fees for business computer courses.

Five refugees from Asia, Africa and Latin America, all now living in Switzerland, were funded for a German language course. Their professions include dentistry, chemistry, management, and accounting. They are all taking part in a program which will teach them how to use their own businesses in Switzerland.

A Kurdish refugee completing her Master’s degree in Political Science in eastern Canada received a small grant for books. She joined the local branch of the Canadian Federation of University Women, and found them very helpful in her transition to living in a different culture.

An Afghan medical doctor in Canada was not allowed to practice medicine there. Through the Fund, she received a tuition grant for courses in ultrasound technology, and she hopes to continue her studies so that she qualifies as a nurse. In the meantime, she works part-time and studies, while looking after her three children.

Her husband, also a doctor, is studying to pass Canadian medical examinations, so she has to support the family.

Another doctor, a Russian Jewish single mother, was granted refugee status in Germany. The Fund helped pay for tuition and childcare so that she could take a six-month course and prepare for examinations to qualify to practice medicine in Germany.

A Sudanese refugee in Egypt has a Bachelor of Science and was earning a very low wage teaching primary students. Was given a tuition grant to take some computer courses. With her upgraded skills, she hopes to get a better job and help her younger siblings who are still in southern Sudan.

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