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# Women in front

CO-FOUNDERS of the Sydney Women's Network, Natalie Moutia and Cindy Steele, have shown there is a generous side to the cut-throat business world.

Their network connects like-minded businesswomen and has won two of the five categories at the Nivea Sister2sister awards, commended for their work with the Life Changing Experiences Foundation.

"The charity nominated us ... I didn't expect it at all," Ms Moutia of Beaumont Hills said.

"We would really like to thank all those ladies who donated - we're accepting the award on their behalf."

Members of the Sydney Women's Network have funded Life Changing Experiences, a charity that supports teenage girls at risk of abuse, for a year.

The program unites young women with inspirational mentors to change their lives for the better.

Events held included a Be Inspired Night in April with guest speaker Grant Hackett. Money raised from auctions, raffles and

lucky door prizes went to Life Changing Experiences.

The Sydney Women's Network was created 2½ years ago after Ms Moutia and Mrs Steele realised how little support there was for women in business.

They hold 110 annual events across 12 Sydney and Central Coast locations, giving business women opportunities to network and socialise.

— by Tayla Hayne  
work experience student



Cindy Steel and Natalie Moutia have won awards for services to business.