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**JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LAFAYETTE NAMES  
2009-2010 OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS PROJECT AWARD RECIPIENTS**

LAFAYETTE, LA—SEPTEMBER 3, 2009 – The Junior League of Lafayette is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2009-2010 Opportunity Knocks Project Participation. Over twenty 501(c)(3) organizations applied for participation in the Opportunity Knocks Community Service Program, which offers non-profit agencies and organizations volunteers and funding for short-term (approximately ½ day) projects. The implementation of these projects is available as a result of the overwhelming community support of the Junior League of Lafayette fundraisers (Tinsel & Treasures Holiday Market and sales from its four cookbooks) and the hard work of the Junior League of Lafayette membership.

The Junior League of Lafayette’s 2009-2010 Opportunity Knocks Project Participation recipients are the following:

- **September 2009 - Goodwill Industries of Acadiana** “Goodwill Gardens” –The project aligns JLL members to construct a garden at the Good Home to offer its residents a place for reflection, positive thoughts, and interaction while enjoying the peace and beauty of the outdoors.
- **October 2009 – Families Helping Families of Acadiana** “Treats at the Village” – This project provides a safe and inclusive place for individuals with disabilities and their families to trick or treat, hosted by JLL members.
- **October 2009 - Big Brothers Big Sisters of Acadiana** “Frightfully Fun” Halloween Party – A Halloween Party hosted by JLL members for the children and their adult volunteers matched in mentoring relationships through the BBBS programs, as well as those on the waiting list.
- **November 2009 – United Way** “Dolly Parton Imagination Library” – JLL members to register children to obtain age-appropriate books in their homes.
- **December 2009 – The American Cancer Society’s Boutique** “Look Good, Feel Better Boutique” – JLL members to design and create a tranquil space for cancer patients to get fitted for head wear including wigs, hair pieces, turbans, hats, head scarves, kerchiefs, and other useful products.
- **January 2010 – Lafayette Association for Retarded Citizens (LARC)** “Day of Design” – JLL members to provide a day of beauty with LARC residents making necklaces.
- **February 2010 – Lafayette Young Lawyer’s Association** “High School Mock Trial Competition” – JLL members assist in creating a mock trial for high school students in an effort to increase the students’ abilities to speak in public, use critical thinking skills, and debate hot topics.
- **March 2010 – New Life Center** “Housekeeping Start-Up Kit Project” – JLL members assist in providing tools necessary to maintain a clean living area to women residing in a shelter.
- **April 2010 – Lafayette Council on Aging** “Acadiana District Senior Olympics Games” – JLL members attend the Senior Olympics and facilitate Wii games with seniors.
- **April 2010 – Girl Scouts of Louisiana–Pines to the Gulf** “Girl’s Sports Day” – JLL members to assist in facilitating sports games to promote health and wellness to girls ages K to 12 in the Acadiana area.

*For more information about the Junior League of Lafayette and its community service programs, please call (337) 988-2739 or visit [www.juniorleagueoflafayette.com](http://www.juniorleagueoflafayette.com). Established in 1957, the Junior League of Lafayette is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.*