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THE JUNIOR LEAGUE

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LAFAYETTE

2020-2021 ANNUAL REPORT

OUR MISSION

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.

OUR VISION

Women as leaders for lasting community change

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On July 12, 1957, seventeen civic-minded women met to discuss the goal of forming an organization to affect positive change in the Lafayette community.

Led by President Margaret Ramsey Copeland and three revered advisors, these charter members established the Service League of Lafayette and became officially incorporated on September 30, 1957. The first year saw a membership of 48. By 1958, Service League members, clad in signature pale yellow dresses, began pursuing their goal by coupling hands-on voluntarism with creative fundraising. The Service League grew rapidly in the 1960s, with volunteers working in healthcare, the arts, and French culture.

Since its inception, the Service League pursued admittance to the national Association of Junior Leagues. After a cumbersome application process, the Service League of Lafayette received the official invitation, via Western Union telegram, to join The Association of Junior Leagues in 1974. Junior League of Lafayette, Inc. was officially born.

Over these 60-plus years, Junior League of Lafayette has provided trained volunteers for community service in areas of local need including child health/development, education, health/well-being, social services, substance abuse prevention, teens/juvenile justice, voluntarism, and the arts. Through the tireless fundraising efforts of our members and tremendous community support, over the years, Junior League of Lafayette has raised more than $6 million dollars to fund and support our Mission.

DR. MELANIE FOWLER

Extraordinary *(adj.): very unusual or remarkable.* No other word can justly describe this League year; together, we have tackled extraordinary challenges, achieved extraordinary accomplishments, and grown as extraordinary members.

From the moment the year began, our Board of Directors had many difficult decisions to make, including moving our beloved Tinsel & Treasures holiday market to a virtual platform. This challenge proved to be no match for the ingenuity and perseverance of our Management Team and Tinsel & Treasures Committee. Our Tinsel & Treasures fundraiser was highly successful, as was the inaugural year of Community Program Sponsorships. We also celebrated the 15th anniversary of our fourth cookbook, "Something to Talk About!"

As we reimagined every Community Program and Collaborative Opportunity Grant, our members went above and beyond, and not one single project was canceled, just modified. We celebrated the 25th anniversary of our partnership with Boys & Girls Clubs of Acadiana with a virtual visit from the Colgate Bright Smiles, Bright Futures® dental van and a Kitchen Wars event between the two clubs. Our Diaper Bank moved to a new facility at Our Lady of Lourdes St. Landry campus, and the Lourdes Foundation solidified our partnership with a generous donation of 70,000 diapers.

We reinvented General Membership Meetings, beginning with only virtual meetings then transitioning to hybrid meetings with both an in-person and virtual option. Our Annual Meeting in May was a much-needed reunion of our membership, and we were thrilled when it became a reality as COVID-19 restrictions eased and vaccinations became available.

The Board, while overseeing the unknown immediate challenges of a pandemic, did not waver in its duty to be a strategic and future-focused body, and the group produced a new Strategic Plan for 2021-2024. This plan highlights values that are important to our League: diversity, equity, and inclusion; fiscal responsibility; community impact; and preserving the uniqueness of the Junior League experience.

Once again, I am so honored to have served as the 63rd president of Junior League of Lafayette. In a year of extraordinary, our members' commitment to our Mission of improving our community and developing the potential of women has persevered! We are always **Better Together**!

Melanie Fowler

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Children's Museum of Acadiana: Margo Dugas

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Hearts of Hope: Maria Watson

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INAUGURAL DIVERSITY & INCLUSION COMMITTEE

2020-2021 was the inaugural year of Junior League of Lafayette's Diversity & Inclusion Committee. Carlee Alm-LaBar, Chair, and Angela Morrison, her Sustaining Advisor, worked together to create a solid foundation for this new and essential committee.

Over the last several years, the Association of Junior League International (AJLI) has invested significant resources into providing Diversity & Inclusion (D&I) content and best practices for all leagues. Following hours of conversation, research, and data collection, the members involved in the League's Project Evaluation and Planning (PEP) process in January 2019 set the Diversity & Inclusion Committee in motion. Angela and Carlee used that information to begin educating our members and kickstarting our community work in this area for the 2020-2021 League year. The primary purpose of the committee was to assess Junior League of Lafayette's current state, and to begin the conversation with members. The fall area meeting with the members served as a facilitated discussion surrounding issues of diversity, equity, and inclusion in our League. Using the notes from these discussions and the D&I tools from AJLI, the committee surveyed Junior League of Lafayette members about how to proceed in the upcoming years.

Finally, many members participated in AJLI's 21-Day Racial Equity Challenge which paired groups of League members from throughout the country in an intense daily program intended to challenge habits and thought patterns around equity. The year closed with sessions that allowed members to share their experiences with one another and with the League. Junior League of Lafayette maintains a commitment to the advancement of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion values within the League.

2020-2021 Member Awards

Provisional of the Year Award

The Provisional of the Year is chosen by her fellow Provisionals as the woman who best represents the spirit and enthusiasm of the class. During a time when digital contact was greater than personal, her inclusivity of others, willingness to participate and take initiative, and dedication to our community has shown through—even from her gym office during cheerleading practice. She helped lead and coordinate the Provisional project with New Hope Community Center ensuring all aspects of the project were covered and within budget. We are honored to present Emily Bourque as the 2020-2021 Provisional of the Year.

Actives of the Year Award

Cindy Mayeux served as the Tinsel & Treasures Chair for the 2020-2021 League year. When confronted with the pandemic, Cindy took the League's biggest fundraiser, Tinsel & Treasures, and pivoted it to a stellar online market with virtual events. Cindy is a leader who other members look up to and are inspired by. After serving as a teacher for 11 years at Episcopal School of Acadiana, she remains at the school as the Director of Parent & Alumni Engagement. Upon receipt of the award she encouraged everyone, "Together we can accomplish anything!"

Jena Dufrene fulfilled her placement as Tinsel & Treasures Special Events Co-Coordinator beautifully, she then went above and beyond to assist our Communications Council and Administrative Liaison with rising virtual needs. She is a UL Ragin Cajun who took production classes as "electives;" however, those classes came in handy this year, as Jena was quick to lend a hand to make sure our virtual meetings and events were magical. At her core, Jena is ingenious, creative, and resourceful. She is a leader who other members want to work with, and she continues to bring valuable resources and leadership to the League, stating upon receipt of her award, "I am just getting started!"

Presidential Award of the Year

2020-2021 Presidential Award recipient, Amy Courvelle, is a 10-year active Member, and she served as the Administrative Liaison for the League year. When the world changed in March 2020, we had no idea how much our League would be transformed; Amy did not miss a beat! Her ready smile, combined with an intense passion for our League, allowed her to stretch and learn new skills for our virtual and hybrid meetings. Always generous, kind, loyal, and dedicated, she is the epitome of poise and gracefulness.

Sustainer of the Year Award

Angela Morrison was the 2005-2006 Junior League of Lafayette President as well as the League's first Black President. Angela served as President during the year of Hurricane Katrina, and she was the only other President that had to make the tough call to cancel Tinsel & Treasures in order to prioritize other community needs at the time. This year, she served as the Sustaining Advisor to the inaugural Diversity & Inclusion Committee. During the May 2021 Annual Meeting, she was recognized as Sustainer of the Year for her remarkable support of the Board of Directors and the President, to her incredible fortitude of character, and for her zeal to help the League grow.

Provisional Year Recap

Our 2020-2021 Provisional Class had a unique year, as the COVID-19 pandemic forced them to have a virtual experience for most of their meetings. With a virtual Super Saturday, a canceled Christmas party, and only two full-group, in-person meetings throughout the year, this team of women overcame obstacles and formed meaningful relationships.

The year was dedicated to learning more about the League and hearing from experienced League members. In October, the class was able to meet in small groups, and they heard from Judy Mahtook, one of the founding committee members of the League's fourth cookbook, "Something to Talk About." In April, when the group was able to gather all together for the first time, the Provisional Advisors held a Super Saturday 2.0, where the Provisionals played Junior League trivia, had a delicious supper, and did some team building activities with Membership Development Chair Karli Sherman. At their May meeting, previous Junior League presidents gathered to talk about their time in the League, what the League has given to them, and how they became President.

Luckily, the Provisional Project was able to go off without a hitch on April 29, 2021. The group hosted a field day for New Hope Community Development of Acadiana. New Hope helps neighborhood children with their homework after school, as well as provides nutritious snacks and fun activities. For their project, the Provisionals held an outdoor relay and dance party, while providing a "store" where the students could spend their good behavior bucks on fun items like stuffed animals, coloring books, basketballs, and more. For some Provisionals, this was the first time meeting their group in person, and it was a fun afternoon giving back to the community.

This group faced obstacles and had a unique opening experience into the League, but they have built stronger bonds because of it. We can't wait to see what they accomplish as Actives!

Sustainers in Action

Junior League of Lafayette Sustainers are the foundation of our membership. During the 2020-2021 League year, we needed their advice and support more than ever! Through their roles as Sustaining Advisors and Area Meeting hostesses, through their financial support as sponsors, and through their joyful encouragement, they helped the League navigate an unprecedented year!

A member is eligible to sustain after completing 10 years of active service with the League. Once a member achieves Sustainer status, she is still able to enjoy many perks of membership without the requirements of active membership. Ellen Cook, first-year Sustainer Director-at-Large to the Board of Directors says, "Being a JLL Sustainer allows us to stay in touch with the terrific women with whom we have worked and the organization that, at some point in our lives, allowed us to make a direct and meaningful impact on our community, making it a better place to live and work. Sustainers can continue to see that impact and the growth of the organization we hold so dear as we pass the torch to subsequent generations. In the 2020-2021 League year, led by the extraordinary Dr. Melanie Fowler, one of the most meaningful projects was the development of the 2021-2024 Strategic Plan. Setting the course for the future through such thoughtful, forward-thinking goals, strategies, and measurements will insure that JLL will continue to improve the quality of life for so many in years to come."

As Sustaining Advisor to the Board, Shannon Dartez reminisces, "I've made lifelong friends and community connections through my years of Junior League service. Being a Sustainer allows me to maintain those connections and continue to support the League's amazing Mission and community impact. Being a part of the Board and working with Melanie and her team last year was incredible. Watching the ladies of the League wade through, with complete grace, the difficulties presented by Covid made me so proud of our League. Loving and supporting the League through a virtual Tinsel & Treasures, virtual meetings/committee work, and achieving success was memorable! Last year was a true testament to the hard work, loyalty, and impact of our Junior League ladies on this community."

During the pandemic, our Sustainers were not able to hold many regularly scheduled events. As the case numbers of COVID-19 subsided and with the introduction of the vaccine, the end-of-the-year luncheon was extremely well-attended and a much needed gathering of friends. Held at the home of Sustainer Emily Babineaux, members were treated to lovely offerings from the Cookbook Committee. Sustainer Monique Gideon says, "The Sustainer Social held in April was an absolutely beautiful event. To get together with old friends and new after quarantine was so special to everyone who attended. We shared post-Covid plans and began to look toward the future. Thanks to Emily, who was a gracious host."

President Dr. Melanie Fowler expresses her gratitude for the Sustainers: "I could not be more grateful for the Sustainers who held my hand through the difficulties and the joys of this year. They have been my rocks, and I am so honored to be joining their ranks in June."

Sustainer and artist Aimee Cotter donated this custom artwork given to all members at Annual Meeting. As President Melanie Fowler noted, the artwork highlights a line from our Association Prayer and encapsulates the gratitude we all feel for a successful year.

Collaborative Opportunity Grants

Junior League of Lafayette presented the 2020-2021 Collaborative Opportunity Grants in an exciting virtual ceremony at the October General Membership Meeting. Applications were accepted from qualified nonprofit organizations who committed to distributing funds within Lafayette Parish. Our Grants Committee provides local nonprofits with direct and indirect resources, namely financial contributions and volunteer hours, to expand upon the impact these organizations make in our community. It is our collective efforts that create measurable changes in living out our Mission: promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.

In addition to monetary funding, one to 10 trained Junior League of Lafayette volunteers are provided to assist in the planning, execution, and completion of the selected project. A Junior League of Lafayette volunteer is assigned to chair each project and the committee was excited to see each project through completion.

2020-2021 GRANTS RECIPIENTS

ORGANIZATION	AWARD	PROGRAM
Acadiana Outreach Center	$2,000	Revitalization of Shelter
Autism Society of Acadiana	$750	Create Sensory-Friendly Environment
Catholic Charities of Acadiana	$2,000	Bedding Kits for 26 Households
The Clearport Learning Center	$1,835	Girl's Night for Students
DREAMS Foundation of Acadiana	$2,000	Drive-Thru Mardi Gras Ball
Foster Friends	$2,000	Christmas Party for Foster Children
Healing House	$2,000	Coping Kits for Children
Miles Perret Cancer Services	$1,800	"Simply You" Care Packages
Second Harvest Food Bank	$2,000	Contactless Mobile Food Distributions
United Way of Acadiana	$2,000	Day of Thanksgiving Event

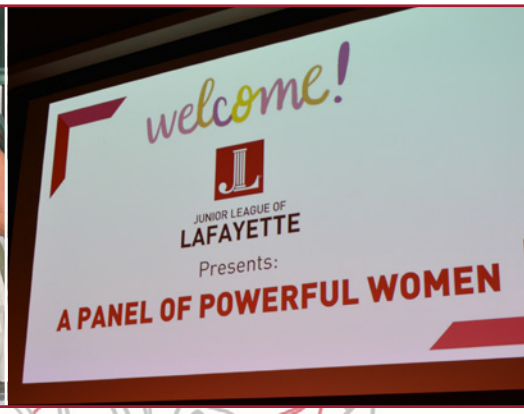
Women's Speaker Event

Georgia Crowell and Panel: Lauren Bercier, Linda Solley Hurd, and Brandy Landry

Junior League of Lafayette hosted "A Panel of Powerful Women" as the second Junior League of Lafayette Women's Speaker Event on April 29, 2021. Moderated by Committee Chair, Georgia Crowell, the panel shared with the group of approximately 100 women in attendance how they took their dreams and put them into action to become successful entrepreneurs.

"What I loved about this event was how the panelists spoke about planting the seeds of an idea and fostering it until it took root and bloomed. Junior League of Lafayette has always been a safe space in our community for women who love to ask the question 'what if we...' and has planted many seeds that have flourished in our community. This event spoke to the heart of what Junior League of Lafayette does best, and it was so inspiring to see this committee bring our community together after a really difficult year. During these types of incredible events it is easy to see the spark of inspiration gleaming in so many eyes around the room," said Community Vice President, Grace Gallaspy.

Many thanks to panelists Brandy Landry, Linda Hurd, and Lauren Bercier for speaking candidly about their experiences as women entrepreneurs and to the Women's Speaker Event Committee for all their hard work and perseverance for bringing about a memorable event.



Committee members: Kristen White, Harlie Nevers, Georgia Crowell, Tina Hebert, and Melissa Maeker

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LAFAYETTE

COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

These community programs speak to the heart of our Mission — addressing community needs with programming, funding, and voluntarism. They focus on enriching the lives of individuals in our community to provide more opportunities for those we serve.

SMILES

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LAFAYETTE

- 10 committee members
- 453 committee hours
- Approximately 75 families impacted annually
- Created as a program in 2003-2004
- Serves Miles Perret Cancer Services
- Approximately 1,020 families impacted since 2003

"Providing at home bonding experiences during the pandemic was so crucial because this committee serves a population that is likely to have an immunocompromised family member. We received great feedback from Miles Perret Cancer Center about how meaningful the experience boxes the committee put together were. The SMILES committee was absolutely unparalleled in their flexibility and determination to serve their community in a new and valuable way."
— Grace Gallaspy, 2020-2021 Community Vice President

NO FEAR NO FUTURE

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LAFAYETTE

- 11 committee members
- 250 committee hours
- Served over 10,000 students since 2003-2004
- Virtually served Comeaux High School in 2020-2021

"The impact annually created by this program will continue to resonate with our community for many years to come, and I'm grateful we could provide the digital version to all local schools this year."
— Roya Boustany, 2020-2021 Executive Vice President

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LAFAYETTE DIAPER BANK

- 4 committee members
- 320 committee hours
- 25,000 diapers distributed
- Created as a program in 2019
- Serves The Family Tree, DesOrmeaux Foundation, Seasons the Green Leaf, Love Inc., and United Way of Acadiana
- Created a partnership with Our Lady of Lourdes

"We fulfill one of life's most basic needs by distributing diapers to our partner agencies who in turn put those diapers into the hands of the most vulnerable in our community." — Margo Dugas, 2020-2021 Diaper Bank Chair

JUNIOR LEAGUES' KIDS in the KITCHEN

- 16 committee members
- 351 committee hours
- Approximately 50-100 students served annually
- Created as a program in 1995
- Approximately 2,500 children impacted since 1995

"We are thankful adjustments could be made this year to continue the impact this program has on our children." — BGCA Staff

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LAFAYETTE
COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

2020-2021 SPONSORS

Silver Level

Our Lady of Lourdes Women's & Children's Hospital

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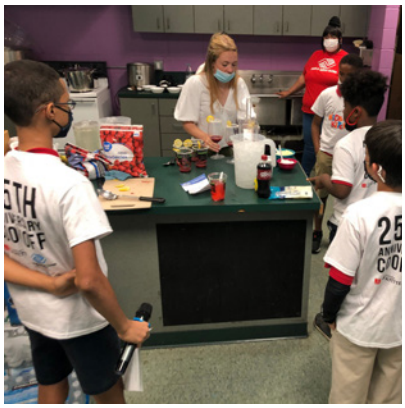

Junior League of Lafayette celebrated our 25th anniversary of *Kids in the Kitchen* this year. In honor of this momentous occasion, the Jackie and Granberry Boys & Girls Clubs composed teams to compete in a "Kitchen Wars" contest where each team created a specialty drink, entree, and dessert. In a fun turn of events, the Jackie Unit team was composed of all boys while the Granberry Unit team was composed of all girls. The judges for the event were Corey McCoy and AJ Bell, owners of KOK Wings & Things, as well as our very own Junior League President, Dr. Melanie Fowler. The judges scored the teams' creations based on presentation, taste, creativity, and overall impression. Once all the food was tasted, the Jackie Club team were declared the winners! Many thanks to Trisha Casanova and Danielle Claiborne, Anniversary Co-Coordinators, for planning such a wonderful event!

"*Kids in the Kitchen* has been one of our kids' favorite program this semester. Every Monday, our kids come in asking "what's on the menu?!". Even with the Junior League representatives calling in and *Kids in the Kitchen* being primarily virtually, our kids have enjoyed the interaction. One silver lining of the new virtual method is that our kids have enjoyed seeing their friends from the other Club as well! Through *Kids in the Kitchen*, our kids are learning healthy habits, simple treats, and connecting with other club kids. They look forward to it each week!"

— *Missy Andrade*

Something to Talk About
Celebrating 15 Years

By Ayesha Martin, 2020-2021 Cookbook Chair

The Cookbook Committee had to get very creative for the 2020-2021 League year! Despite the changes and obstacles we still had a great year. This year, we were able to serve in-person taste treats during holiday shopping hours at Caroline & Company, the annual Sustainer Brunch, and the Women's Speaker Event.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, our committee members were not able to serve taste treats at General Membership Meetings or during Tinsel & Treasures. However, our hardworking Cookbook Committee members still found a way to mix, bake, and share recipes through various digital platforms. Each week, the committee selected a recipe to share in the Weekly Wednesday emails in hopes that it would inspire our members who double as at-home-chefs to try something new for their families. The committee also shared images and recipes for our thousands of followers on Instagram and Facebook, which in turn, boosted the sales of our beloved cookbooks!

The League also celebrated the 15th anniversary of "Something to Talk About" during the Annual Meeting in May. The committee interviewed members who were a part of the Cookbook Committee in 2005 who were instrumental in ensuring an abundance of kitchen-tested recipes were included in the cookbook. It is safe to say that everyone enjoyed hearing the wonderful stories behind the publishing of this wonderful cookbook.

Even through all of the challenges, the Cookbook Committee is proud of how we overcame obstacles to still provide the League with recipes and tasty treats throughout the year. Our committee was truly Better Together!

Tinsel & Treasures

The most wonderful time of year looked different this year as Junior League of Lafayette's Tinsel & Treasures holiday market went virtual. The traditional holiday market had to be reimagined due to the COVID-19 pandemic. After significant discussion, the Board of Directors, the Management Team, and the Tinsel & Treasures Committee, decided to take the market virtual for the first time in the history of the event. Over 13,000 shoppers joined the Junior League of Lafayette Tinsel & Treasures Merchant and Shopper Group on Facebook to stay engaged with the merchants throughout the two weeks of the virtual market.

Guests were able to tune in to a spectacular Preview Party event broadcast from Junior League of Lafayette Headquarters. Hostesses Abby Breidenbach and Karli Sherman introduced silent auction items that could be bid on during the event. Active member, Lauren Burns, said "The signature cocktail demonstration, the familiar faces modeling Lee Michaels Jewelry, and the music were some of the highlights for me."

Ladies' Night, hosted from Paul's Jewelry, was a smashing success. Guests pre-purchased boxes that included more than $300 worth of products from local businesses. "Purchasing the luxurious Ladies' Night box gave me the perfect excuse to have a night-in with my girlfriends," said Meaghan Savoy, Junior League of Lafayette member. "We loved the wine tasting and live music. It was a perfect alternative to our normal Friday night shopping trip to the CAJUNDOME."

The Children's Event took place in December. For a $35 donation, children were able to enjoy a virtual call with Santa and friends, Olaf and Rudolph. Inside the kid-themed box, items included a signed photo from Santa, stationery to write a letter to Santa, and other hands-on holiday activities. Active member Angelle Adams said, "The Children's Event brought such spirit into our home with each child experiencing their own box of Christmas magic! They loved the live sing-along interaction!" Katherine McCormick echoes, "A Christmas celebration with my kids in their PJs at home was such a nice treat. They loved watching Santa, decorating cookies, singing carols and discovering all the goodies in their Christmas Box!"

Tinsel & Treasures isn't complete without the Sparkle & Shine Raffle, sponsored by Lee Michaels Fine Jewelry. Each ticket gave the purchaser the opportunity to win $10,000 or a a pair of diamond earrings donated by Lee Michaels Fine Jewelry valued at more than $5000. The conclusion of Tinsel & Treasures was marked with the announcement of the raffle winners held live on Facebook from Lee Michaels.

Thank you to all our merchants, shoppers, sponsors, and community members for your continuous support of Tinsel & Treasures holiday market.

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Celebrating 10 years of the Executive Vice President

In 2011-2012, the membership of Junior League of Lafayette chose to reorganize its governance structure by creating a separate Board of Directors and Management Team. This allowed the two groups to focus on important, yet different, areas. The Board governs the League and sets the strategic direction while the Management Team executes the day-to-day implentation of the annual plan, commonly referred to as the Project Evaluation and Planning (PEP) package. This change in structure created a new leadership position, the Executive Vice President (EVP), who would be the liaison between the Board and the Management Team. Sitting on the Board and chairing the Management Team is no small job. We congratulate these ladies who have given so much time and talent to our League as we celebrate 10 years of the Executive Vice President!

- 2012-2013 Shannon Dartez *(Also served as President-Elect.)*
- 2013-2014 Lesley Maxwell
- 2014-2015 Julie Broussard
- 2015-2016 Corinne Sprague (not pictured)
- 2016-2017 Dr. Melanie Fowler
- 2017-2018 Mary Courville
- 2018-2019 Melissa Boudreaux
- 2019-2020 Katherine McCormick
- 2020-2021 Roya Boustany
- 2021-2022 Stacie Belle
- 2022-2023 Nicole Street

"Junior League of Lafayette's future is certainly bright, as we welcome our 2021-2022 President, Cathy LaGrange."

— Dr. Melanie Fowler

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Junior League of Lafayette's Endowment Fund was created to strengthen and provide long-term financial sustainability. It helps ensure Junior League of Lafayette can continue making a positive impact on Lafayette Parish through promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.

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Building Fiscal Resiliency for Better Community Impact

By Angela Cring, 2019–2021 Chief Financial Officer

Junior League of Lafayette has always been a good steward of our resources, which is why the organization has been able to significantly impact the Lafayette community since 1957. Over the past four years, under the direction of the last two Chief Financial Officers, Carlee Alm-LaBar from 2017-2019 and myself from 2019-2021, Junior League of Lafayette has made a renewed and significant commitment to growing our organization's financial sustainability. The process began with a Financial Sustainability Plan which outlined necessary steps to improve our fiscal foundation moving forward.

A diverse group of Members spent countless hours over one year reviewing financial policies and best practices. From that review came four significant outcomes:

- a completely revised set of financial policies that were adopted by the Board of Directors in April 2020
- the addition of a Fund Development Vice President, putting additional focus on fundraising efforts
- a new Finance Team and Budget Committee to further bridge the day-to-day operations of the Management Team and the governance of the Board of Directors
- the establishment of reserve and investment policies to further incorporate long-term financial sustainability into annual operating and planning processes, as well as the Board's focus on fiscal governance

These four changes have elevated our practice of operating effectively in the short-term and working towards lofty goals long-term.

The 2021-2024 Strategic Plan, adopted by the Board of Directors in January 2021, intentionally addresses growing our endowment fund, reserve funds, and diversifying our fund development to create resilience well into the future, thereby continuing to grow our impact within the Lafayette community for decades to come.

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