

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF SPOKANE

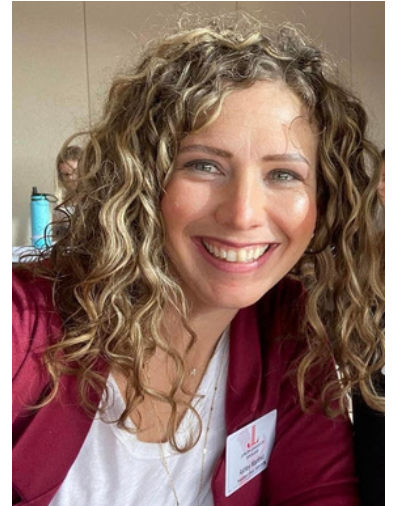
2022-2023 Annual Report



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SPOKANE

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is with great pleasure and gratitude that I reflect upon the incredible achievements and milestones that members of the Junior League of Spokane have accomplished together during the 2022-2023 League year. As President, it was an honor to witness a year of dedication, growth, and service and I am grateful for the opportunity to share our successes.



Community Engagement & Outreach. Our commitment to community engagement continued to shine throughout the year. We organized several successful events, including over a dozen impact opportunities, partnering with organizations such as the Jonah Project, 2nd Harvest, Little Free Libraries, and Spokanimal. Additionally, we sunsetted the book fair and distributed supplies to local organizations supporting literacy development, dispersing over \$2,300 in book grants to ensure that children have access to books. These projects demonstrated our dedication to positively impacting our community and allowed us to connect with a diverse range of organizations, fostered a sense of unity, and demonstrated our dedication to making a difference in the Spokane community.

New Focus Area. In a much abbreviated process, we successfully approved a new focus area centered on improving access to basic needs for women, children, and families who have experienced adverse childhood experiences and/or trauma.

Fundraising Success. Our fundraising efforts were in full swing during the 2022-2023 League year. Thanks to the hard work of our dedicated team and the generosity of our supporters, we introduced a new way to give and strengthen our impact through the 1924 Giving Circle. We not only met but exceeded our Annual Fund goal and we introduced a new fundraiser, the Golf Outing.

Member Recruitment & Retention. Our members are the lifeblood of our organization, and we are deeply grateful for their dedication and passion. It is their tireless efforts which continue to drive our mission forward. We were happy to see membership numbers begin to recover from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our membership grew by 10% and we also relaunched our Mentorship program to support any member wishing to participate.

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Collaborative Partnerships. We forged valuable connections with like-minded organizations and local businesses by joining and securing funding for ongoing membership in Priority Spokane, a partnership of local organizations dedicated to addressing Spokane's most pressing social issues. These partnerships have allowed us to pool resources, share expertise, and amplify the impact of our initiatives, demonstrating the power of collaboration.

Financial Stability. Our financial health remains strong, thanks to responsible fiscal management and the generosity of our donors. We appreciate each of you who contribute to the Annual Fund on a one-time or recurring basis. We continue to strive to operate with transparency and accountability, ensuring that every dollar donated is put to good use toward fulfilling our mission of advancing women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training.

One of the greatest joys during my time in the JLS has been observing the growth and transformation of our members throughout their League journey. I'm inspired by how our organization serves as a catalyst for personal and professional development. It has been my privilege to witness the incredible development of the women who are the heart and soul of our organization. Thank you to each and every one of you for your support and commitment to the Junior League of Spokane. I look forward to all that is yet to come!

Ashley Manfred
JLS President, 2022-2023

2022-2023 BOARD & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- ASHLEY MANFRED - PRESIDENT
- SORCHA COOMES - PRESIDENT-ELECT
- AMELIA DAVIS - PRESIDENTIAL ASSISTANT
- HANNAH STEARNS - PARLIAMENTARIAN
- MELISSA KING - TREASURER
- ELISABETH SIBULSKY - TREASURER-ELECT
- BRIA NIELSEN - FUNDING DIRECTOR
- MELISSA CONDON - ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR
- LAUREN HESSER - MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR
- SARAH WALSH - COMMUNITY DIRECTOR
- ANN SMITH - LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CHAIR
- JACKIE WOROBEK - SUSTAINER DIRECTOR

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

- WHITNEY BOWERMAN - TOUCH-A-TRUCK
- JAMIE BOYD & CLAIRE HURD - MEETINGS & ARRANGEMENTS
- JULIE CORNELISON - BOOK BANK
- MARY LYNN BOARDMAN - DONOR RELATIONS SPECIALIST
- CAITY HARPER & HOLLI HIGGINS - MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS
- SARAMAE HUFF - IMPACT
- STEPHANIE KREBS-ANDERSON - PLACEMENT
- STEVIE WATSON - LEAGUE PARTNERSHIPS
- KALYN BIDELSPACH - MEMBERSHIP RETENTION & BELONGING
- ANN SMITH - LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
- CASSIE STEIN - FUNDING RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
- NICOLE WILLIAMS - MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT & ENGAGEMENT
- CAITY HARPER - FOCUS AREA RESEARCH

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS

Total Actives: 51
 New Members: 7
 Transfer In: 3
 Transfer Out: 0
 Total Sustaining Members: 104
 Sustainers: 71
 Emeritus: 33
 Active of the Year: Saramae Huff
 Outstanding Sustainer: Betsy Wilkerson

Membership Milestones:

5 Years

Whitney Bowerman
 Elisabeth Coe
 Sorcha Coomes
 Ali Kingston
 Kelsea Nester
 Bria Nielson
 Abbey Parsons
 Ashlyn Perry
 Cassie Stein

10 Years

Lauren Warrick

15 Years

Niki Moore



Saramae Huff
Active of the Year



Betsy Wilkerson
Outstanding Sustainer

In Remembrance Of

Carolyn Louthian
 President, 1973-1974

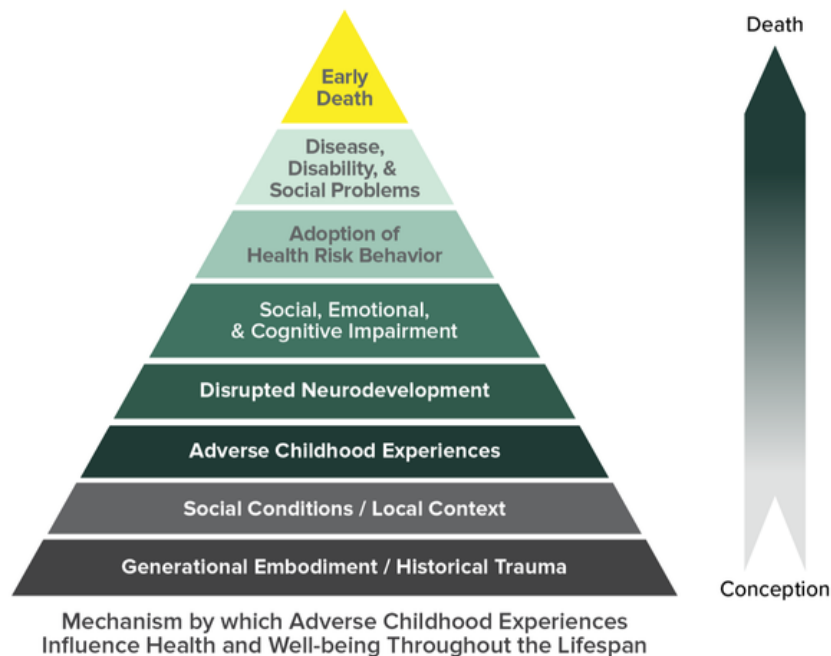


MISSION STATEMENT & FOCUS AREA

The Junior League of Spokane’s mission is to advance women’s leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training.

In the 2022-2023 year, we identified a new focus area: to improve access to basic needs in order to alleviate sources of stress and increase resiliency for women, children and families who have experienced adverse childhood experiences and/or trauma.

Thank you to everyone who worked tirelessly to get our focus area adopted. This process typically takes years, and we did it in 10 months!



COMMUNITY IMPACT



BOOK GRANTS & BOOK BANK BLOWOUT

In approving a new focus area, we sunsetted our book bank, book fair, and book grants. We held a book bank “blowout” event and distributed existing supplies to local organizations that support literacy development. Likewise, decorations from our past book fairs were donated to Westwood Middle School to be repurposed by their drama department. We were able to provide over \$2,300 in book grants to 12 recipients in the final year of this project. Finally, 187 books were donated through additional impact projects.



IMPACT PROJECTS

2022-2023 saw 13 Impact Projects completed, with support for Little Free Library, Beyond Pink Event, Tom’s Turkey Drive, Winterfest, Foster Santa Breakfast, Lunar New Year, Project Beauty Share, Joya, Miryam’s House, Family Promise, Brunch with a Bite, 2nd Harvest, and Spokane River Cleanup.



TOUCH-A-TRUCK

The 12th annual Touch-a-Truck was back in-person this year! Fire trucks, ambulances, police cars, and the Idaho Big Potato were among the vehicles present at this fun and successful event.



GOLF OUTING

This new fundraiser, rooted in Junior League of Spokane history, was a great success. The golf outing had 15 teams, 6 hole sponsors, a dozen raffle baskets, and we netted \$2,500!

FINANCIALS

INCOME

Member Dues: \$16,590.00
 Fundraising & Sponsorship: \$26,298.14
 Administrative Flow Group: \$3,628.00
 Sustainers: \$1,500.00
 Other Income: 9,036.11

Total: \$57,052.25

EXPENSES

Member Development & Training: \$30,786.53
 Community Flow Group: \$4,538.12
 Funding Flow Group: \$4,788.27
 Administrative Flow Group: \$4,049.76
 Executive: \$1,229.71
 Operations: \$24,134.26
 Sustainers: \$1,593.99

Total: \$71,120.64

1924 GIVING CIRCLE

A special thank you to those who contributed at least \$240 to the 1924 Giving Circle during the 2022-2023 League year.

Kalyn Bidelspach
 Kristianne Blake
 Candi Gilchrist
 Cynthia Gustafson
 Robbie Jackson
 Melissa King

Kimberly Koch
 Meg Lindsay
 Ashley Manfred
 Bria Nielsen
 Karen Robideaux
 Joann Schmitz

Marnie Schroer
 Ann Smith
 Gail Stevenson
 Sally Stopher
 Karen Warrick
 Jackie Worobec

ANNUAL FUND DONORS

Jane Baldwin
 Mary Lynn Boardman
 Janet Camp
 Sorcha Coomes
 Clariese Cote
 Lauren Hesser

Stephanie Krebs-Anderson
 Kim Lloyd
 Elisabeth Sibulsky
 Cassie Stein
 Diane Thomas
 Sarah Walsh

Karen Warrick
 Stephanie Watson
 Carol Wendle
 Cora Whitney
 Betsy Wilkerson
 Kathleen Wynia