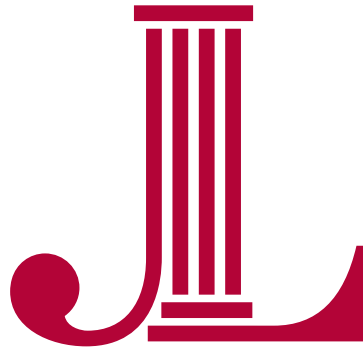


Junior League



JUNIOR LEAGUE OF COLORADO SPRINGS

Women working to build a better Colorado Springs community

The mission of The Junior League of Colorado Springs is an organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and to improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers.
Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

Throughout our history, members have returned over \$2 million to community-based programs and logged over 1.75 million volunteer hours.

What We Do...

What is the Junior League of Colorado Springs? A community leader advocating for youth and families.

The Junior League of Colorado Springs improves and strengthens our community by...

- Developing strong women leaders and passionate volunteers
- Supporting youth and family causes through fundraising, volunteering and special events
- Championing new organizations that tackle important community needs

We develop women leaders and train passionate volunteers by providing practical opportunities to learn new skills, build confidence and actively take a leadership role in a wide variety of situations. We bring together women who want to grow as individuals and have an impact on the community. That common bond helps foster a trusting, supportive environment in which they can develop valuable skills and build life-long relationships.

We support youth and family organizations and causes through fundraising, volunteering and special events such as Trash & Treasure, League Links and Fall Fling. We also create and execute special projects like CARE Fair, which provides free back-to-school medical care for uninsured children.

We found and foster new organizations that tackle important community needs. This includes such organizations and events as:

- Ronald McDonald House
- SpringSpree
- CASA
- Children's Literacy Center
- Court Care

Our Signature Project...

The Junior League of Colorado Springs is proud to call CARE Fair our special Signature Project.

CARE Fair, a health fair for uninsured or underinsured school-aged children, provides free immunizations, back-to-school physicals and dental, hearing, diabetes, and vision screenings. In addition, haircuts, backpacks and school supplies are offered to help kids get ready for the upcoming school year.

At the 2005 CARE Fair, over 800 immunizations, 500 back-to-school and sports physical exams, 258 dental exams, 130 hearing tests, 289 vision tests, and 95 diabetes screenings were provided to the more than 500 children who participated.

Forty-eight Junior League members provided 232 volunteer hours for the event. In addition, many medical providers from Peak Vista Community Health Centers, Colorado Coalition for Children's Immunizations, KIND, and private practices donated their time to the Fair.

A cadre of volunteers from Bank of America translated for families whose primary language is Spanish. Volunteers from Rampart Range Sertoma, Colorado Springs T-Gap Lions Club, Community Partnership for Child Development/Head Start and Diabetes Resource Network and 18 other community organizations helped at the event. Stylists from Studio 182 provided 55 haircuts at no cost.

Throughout its more than 80 year history in the Pikes Peak region, the Junior League of Colorado Springs has addressed many important community needs and launched many landmark organizations in our community, including CASA, Court Care, Ronald MacDonald House and the Children's Literacy Center.

The Junior League of Colorado Springs belongs to the Association of Junior Leagues International. The very first Junior League was established in New York City by young women who wanted work to improve child health, nutrition and literacy. Soon after, new Leagues around the country formed, and the focus began to shift to social, health and educational issues that affected the community at large.

On March 30, 1924, a group of Colorado Springs women concerned about the survival of Nutrition Camp formed the Junior League of Colorado Springs (JLCS). The Nutrition Camp School helped malnourished children in Colorado Springs become healthier, thus fighting off the ravages of tuberculosis. The League sponsored five beds the first year. By 1939, the number of children helped reached 450.

Since that compelling beginning, the JLCS boasts an impressive history of serving the youth and families of Colorado Springs through our volunteer membership. The JLCS has grown and evolved, both as initiator of projects, as well as a ready partner to other non-profit organizations to address needs in the community.

Today, there are over 294 leagues in the United States, Canada, Mexico, and the United Kingdom. Famous Junior Leaguers include: Shirley Temple Black, Barbara Bush, Laura Bush, Betty Ford, Katharine Hepburn, Sandra Day O'Connor, Nancy Reagan and Eleanor Roosevelt.

Project History Junior League of Colorado Springs

Active Through Advocacy	Good Grief
Adolescent Pregnancy Task Force	Hope House
Adolescent Girls Receiving Home	IRIS – Information & Referral Integrated System
Advocacy Skills Workshop	Kid Esteem
Arena Action Research Team – World Arena	Kids on the Block
Arts and Interest – Art Lecture Series	La Casa Contenta
Baby Clinic	Listen Up
Books Bring Adventure Radio Program	Los Amigos
Boy's Club Library	Memorial Hospital Auxiliary
CALL – Consumer Action Line	Mental Health Lecture Series
KOAA 5 & 30 Can Help (Consumer Advocacy)	Nature Resource Guide
C.A.R.E. Fair	Newborn Audio Screening
C.A.S.A.	Nutrition Camp
Child Advocacy	Parenting Education/Parenting Enrichment
Child Care Day Nursery	Parents are Forever
Children's Action Line, Ltd.	Parks Projects
Children's Literacy Center	Pre-School for the Hard of Hearing
Children's Wing – Fine Arts Center	Public School Milk Fund
Citizen's Goals for Colorado Springs	Ronald McDonald House
Colorado Calendar	Safe House/MOVE
Communities in Schools	Safe Kids
Community Challenge	The School for the Deaf and the Blind Library
Community Enabling Fund	School Volunteer Services
Community Focus Forum	Second Chance
Community Leadership Institute	Shopping Service for Convalescent Soldiers
Community Service Corps	Springspre
Court Care	TOP – Teen Outreach Program
Creative Writing Contest Program	Tour Guide
Crisis Care Nursery	Town Hall Lecture Series
Domestic Violence Prevention Program	USO Scrapbooks
Done in a Day	Volunteer Career Development Training
El Paso County Group Socialization Program	Whitehouse Ranch Nature Trail
Envro-cycle	Women and Alcohol Media Campaign
Facts of Life Line	Women's Film Festival
Family Ties	Women's Seminar
Fine Arts Children's Theater	YES! (Youth Excelling in School)
Golden Happenings Radio Show	Youth Services Bureau Crime Seminar