



JUNIOR LEAGUE
GRAND STRAND

Community Partner Application

2024-2025



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The Junior League of the Grand Strand is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training.

With our focus on women and children, our four pillars address areas of the greatest need for families within the Grand Strand: Youth Advocacy, Health Initiatives, Food and Nutrition Security, and Housing Advocacy.

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General Information

The Junior League of the Grand Strand (JLGS) is, at its foundation, a training organization. Our skilled volunteers focus on making a lasting, measurable impact on the Grand Strand area by partnering with community organizations who are selected annually by our members through a formal proposal process. Project proposals can be made for funding (up to \$2,500) and volunteers for specific events and programs within your organization. The formal proposal process consists of a thorough review by JLGS members serving on our Community Partner Committee. A member of JLGS may contact you to discuss the proposed project in greater detail or to arrange a site visit to your organization and/or site location.

Timeline

Applications are due by May 15, 2024.

Follow-up questions or visits will be arranged by the members of the Junior League of the Grand Strand, if necessary. Organizations submitting project proposals for 2024-2025 will receive written notice from the JLGS regarding our decision by June 1, 2024. Selected projects will begin around August 1, 2024, and will end no later than May 15, 2025.

Requirements

Applicants must submit the following completed documents via e-mail to grandstrand.jl.org with "Community Partner Application" in the subject line:

1. Application (Pages 3-4 below)
2. Attachment #1: Copy of the organization's most recent audited financial statement.
3. Attachment #2: Thorough budget encompassing all aspects of the proposed project.



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Eligibility

Applications are accepted annually from nonprofits on the Grand Strand. The proposed project should:

1. Help support women and children through our four pillars addressing areas of the greatest need for families within the Grand Strand: Youth Advocacy, Health Initiatives, Food and Nutrition Security, and Housing Advocacy.
2. Identify a project outcome that includes either:
 - Monetary contribution from the JLGS; or
 - Both volunteer participation from JLGS members and a monetary contribution from the JLGS (not to exceed \$2,500);
3. Involve well-defined volunteer opportunities that will be performed and funded within a specific time frame, commencing no earlier than August 1, 2024, and ending no later than May 15, 2025.
4. Allow for collaboration between the JLGS and one or more registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations in good standing with the Office of the South Carolina Secretary of State.

Evaluation

The JLGS will evaluate project proposals based on the following criteria:

1. Commitment of an organization to supporting one of our four pillars (Youth Advocacy, Health Initiatives, Food and Nutrition Security, and Housing Advocacy on the Grand Strand).
2. For projects requesting volunteer support, the description of volunteer tasks and level of commitment (number of hours), days and times volunteers are needed. Please note our members are available for volunteering at various times, but projects with a weekday evening or weekend day volunteer component have been historically more successful.
3. Clarity of the goals and objectives of the project, including a timeline outlining tasks necessary to accomplish project goals and objectives.
4. Strength of the plan for measuring the impact of the project.
5. Depth of understanding about what the JLGS can bring to the project.
6. Demonstration of past experience collaborating with nonprofits, including the JLGS, if applicable.
7. Strength of description in regard to how requested funding will be used to fulfill project goals and objectives. The committee will consider how funding the project fits into a total amount of funding available for all requests.
8. Projects selected to be included are subject to approval by a majority of members, having sufficient resources for volunteer placement and aligning with the criteria set forth by the Junior League of the Grand Strand.

Questions? Any questions about the application may be submitted to the JLGS by email communitypartners@grandstrand.jl.org.



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Publicity and Media Engagement Agreement:

Publicity refers to the right to use each Party's name and logo in the marketing, advertising, and promotion of the community partner. All publicity related to the Program must include mention of both Parties. Either Party may request to review and approve external publicity materials before their release. The Junior League of the Grand Strand (JLGS) reserves the right to request discontinuation of any media release or written material concerning the Program at its sole discretion. JLGS will acknowledge Partners through the JLGS website, JLGS Instagram page, the JLGS Facebook page, and the JLGS LinkedIn page.

Additionally, JLGS may choose to feature the program on other social media platforms and in various digital or print communications. JLGS requests inclusion in the Partner's Annual Report and acknowledgment as a supporter on the Partner's website, where appropriate.

The Partner agrees to feature JLGS in at least two external publicity opportunities, subject to the Partner's discretion. Should either Party have concerns or sensitivities regarding the details of the Publicity efforts, they are encouraged to discuss these with our team to ensure mutual comfort and agreement on the approach.

Disclaimer:

The League does not act as a direct fund-raiser or fund-raising agent for other organizations. When The League is the co-sponsor of an event or special community need exists, the Board of Directors may recommend to the membership to temporary waiver of this policy. Waiver shall not occur unless 2/3 of the members present and voting at the meeting where waiver is proposed vote in favor of participation. Please note that while we endeavor to adhere to all planned timelines and commitments, unforeseen circumstances may necessitate delays or adjustments. We appreciate your understanding and flexibility in these situations.

**Applications may be submitted electronically to communitypartners@grandstrand.jl.org.
Please put "Community Partner Application" in the subject line if submitting via e-mail.**



ORGANIZATION INFORMATION			
Organization Name:			
Parent or Umbrella Organization/Fiscal Agent (if different than above):			
Organization's EIN:		Organization's Tax Exempt Classification:	
Mailing Address:	City:	State:	Zip Code:
Physical Address (if different than above):	City:	State:	Zip Code:
Organization's Purpose or Mission Statement:			
Year Founded:	Year IRS Designation:	Annual Budget:	
Website:	Social Media Handles:		

PRIMARY CONTACT INFORMATION	
First and Last Name of Primary Contact Person:	
Title:	
Phone Number:	E-Mail Address:

PROPOSED PROJECT INFORMATION			
Event/Project Title:			
Request Type:	Volunteers Only	Funding Only	Volunteers & Funding
If full funding amount requested cannot be fulfilled, are you still willing to partner with the JLGS?			
	Yes	No	N/A
Number of JLGS volunteers need per volunteer shift? Minimum:		Maximum:	
Anticipated Volunteer Schedule:			
	Bi-Weekly	Monthly	Bi-Monthly Other:
Please provide a detailed description of the days/time volunteers will be expected to participate. (Shifts are generally structured in 2-3 hour increments but do not need to be limited to 2-3 hours.)			
Summary of volunteer duties for each shift:			
Will volunteer training or orientation be required outside of the proposed project time? If yes, will it be provided by your organization, when and how?			
Are you open to different League members volunteering each shift or are you needing a consistent group of members throughout the scope of the project?			
Total Funding Amount Requested: Total Cost of Program/Project:			
Is the existence of the Project/Program dependent on receiving JLGS volunteer and/or funding support?			
	Yes	No	Unsure (please explain)
First Time Applicant:	Yes	No (If no, describe your previous JLGS partnership):	



PROJECT DETAILS		
Describe the Event/Project in detail. Include information about who, what, when, where, and why your organization is choosing to partner with the community in this way.		
How does this support one of the JLGS pillars? (Youth Advocacy, Health Initiatives, Food and Nutrition Security, and Housing Advocacy)		
In what counties does your organization operate?		
How long has the program been in place?		
Please list any volunteer requirements for parking, check-in, etc:		
Attire requirements (clothing/shoes) for the event/project and whether or not volunteers will be outside:		
May we wear our Junior League of the Grand Strand name tags?	Yes	No
Please include social media tags that will assist our volunteers in promoting your agency and/or event:		
Do you have other volunteer opportunities throughout the year? If so, please describe:		
<i>I understand and agree JLGS volunteers will not be asked to: handle money, fundraise, transport people or goods or serve alcohol.</i>		
By signing my name, I am agreeing to the previous statement:		
<i>Thank you for considering the Junior League of the Grand Strand's members and the Community Partner committee for your volunteer needs. As a Community Partner you are provided trained Junior League of the Grand Strand volunteers for projects and events organized by community agencies in the Grand Strand area. It, however, does not provide the supplies, funding, or other resources necessary to carry out those activities. While we gladly consider all volunteer requests, please keep in mind that our team is limited in size, and depending on the amount of requests received at any given time, we may or may not be able to fulfill your complete request.</i>		
By signing my name, I am agreeing to the previous statement:		
Please e-mail grandstrand.jl.org if you haven't received a personal reply from the JLGS team acknowledging your request within 48 hours after you have submitted this form.		
Thank you for your interest in the Junior League of the Grand Strand Community Partner Team!		