

JLMC Fact Sheet

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MISSION

The Junior League of Monmouth County (JLMC) is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, to 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.

The JLMC reaches out to women of all races, religions, and national origins who have an interest and commitment to voluntarism.

ORGANIZATION

Founded in 1939, the JLMC started with 13 members in Red Bank, NJ. Today the JLMC is a member of the Association of Junior Leagues International (AJLI), which is made up of 296 Junior Leagues in 4 countries. The 170,000 plus members of the AJLI reflect a wide range of background, interests and professional pursuits.

The JLMC has trained hundreds of volunteer members in its 70 year history and has created and developed hundreds of projects and programs focused on improving the lives of women and children in our community. The JLMC currently has approximately 300 active and sustaining members, trained as accomplished collaborators who build coalitions, identify needs and develop effective and responsive programs to serve our community. Our members are business owners, executives, accountants, health care professionals, stay at home mothers, and other professionals. They all share an interest in and a commitment to voluntarism.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

The JLMC is committed to helping our community in a variety of ways. Our membership commits over 20,000 hours to the community each year. That is equal to an in-kind donation of \$300,000. In the past decade, we have contributed time and funds to over 25 community projects in Monmouth County, New Jersey including: Monmouth Day Care Center, the Monmouth County Arts Council, Spring House, HAND-IN-HAND and the Children's Museum at Monmouth University.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The Junior League offers its members extensive training in leadership, organizational development, community needs assessment, strategic planning, communication, advocacy and fundraising. An integral part of this training is the JLMC's model of developing community projects, both to respond to emerging community needs as well as to develop the skills of our volunteers as they go through the process of collaborating with community partners, managing volunteer resources, fundraising to support our community programs and ultimately ensuring the sustainability of our programs.



Past Projects & Partners

Monmouth Day Care Center
HAND-IN-HAND
Monmouth County Arts Council
Spring House
Manna House
Easter Seals Linkages Transitional Housing Facility
Boys & Girls Club of Monmouth County
West Side Christian Academy
Trinity Church Saturday Soup
Red Bank Primary School, Superstars Literacy Program
Riverview Hospital, Infant Hearing Screening
Visiting Nurse Association, Immunization Clinics
Pediatric AIDS
Monmouth Museum, Mobile Unit
Project A.C.C.E.P.T. All Children
Bridge of Books
Monmouth Medical Center, Early Intervention
Campership
Juvenile Diabetes Foundation
Time to Grow
Project Hope
Family and Children's Service, Abused Elderly
Freehold Senior Meals Program, Springtime for Seniors
Youth Employment Services
Brookdale Community College, The Women's Center
Substance Abuse Resources
Children's Museum at Monmouth Museum
Clean Ocean Action
Madonna House
S.P.U.R. Special People
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EMPOWERING WOMEN - LIFE SKILLS TRAINING PROGRAM

Mission and Need

The JLMC is committed to empowering women in need to gain proficiency in the basic life skills critical to achieving self-sufficiency and independence. To secure a stable home, find and maintain employment, and raise children in a healthy environment, individuals need basic skills such as parenting, job search and retention, time and money management and accessing community resources.

Program

The JLMC's Life Skills Training Program:

- Builds capacity in local community organizations by collaborating with national and local organizations and individuals that are experts in life skills; and
- Delivers life skills training workshops for our community partners.

Through life skills workshops developed and delivered by JLMC volunteers, our Life Skills Program directly serves three transitional housing facilities in New Jersey, Spring House, Manna House and Linkages. Together, these three organizations house up to 50 young mothers and their children at any time. At least once each year, the JLMC offers Life Skills Facilitator Training Workshops free of charge to community staff members and volunteers throughout the community serving families in need. In October 2008, the JLMC offered a Parenting Skills Facilitator Training to the community and attracted close to 100 community staff members and volunteers from 23 community organizations collectively serving thousands of families in need. The training was delivered by Dr. Stephen Bavolek, author of the Nurturing Parenting Program. In October 2009, the JLMC will present a Life Skills Facilitator Training Workshop delivered by Rosilee Trotta, author of *Tackling the Tough Skills: A Curriculum Building Skills for Work and Life*. This training program, offered at no charge to participants, has the potential to reach 80 to 100 community staff members and volunteers resulting in a significant increase in community capacity to deliver basic life skills training.



DONE-IN-A-DAY

The JLMC's Done-in-a-Day Program provides a way for our organization to respond to emerging community needs. We invite community organizations to consider the JLMC as a resource for volunteer support for short-term projects. Preference will be given to projects that Empower Women. A copy of our Request for Proposal form can be found on our website, www.jlmc.org.

Fall / Winter 2009 Done-in-a-Day and Other Community Projects

- Red Bank Boys & Girls Club Art Room, August
- "Me & Momma Rock" Musical Workshop at Linkages Housing Facility, September
- "Love to Read" Workshop at Manna House, October
- Juvenile Diabetes Walk for the Cure, October
- "Trunk or Treat" at Linkages, October
- Thanksgiving Saturday Soup at Trinity Church in Asbury Park, November
- "Holly Jolly Stuffing Party" for Holiday Express, December



To learn more about our community programs, contact Andrea Luker, Community Director, AnLuker@aol.com

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