



WOMEN BUILDING BETTER COMMUNITIES

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE: VOLUNTEER POWERHOUSE



In 1901, 19-year-old Mary Harriman founds the first Junior League in New York City, envisioning an organization where women could volunteer their time, develop their skills and improve the lives of those in their communities.

TODAY Junior Leagues in **291 COMMUNITIES** throughout Canada, Mexico, the United Kingdom and the United States continue to provide opportunities for women who are committed to honing their leadership skills by tackling the issues that confront their region.

SINCE 1965, the **Junior League of Palo Alto-Mid Peninsula** (JLPA•MP) has supported more than 94 community service projects, awarded community grants to nearly 200 area nonprofits and contributed thousands of volunteer hours to our community.

OUR MISSION

The Junior League of Palo Alto•Mid Peninsula, Inc. (JLPA•MP) is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving communities through outstanding leadership and effective action of our trained volunteers. Our purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

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MEMBERSHIP

The JLPA•MP invites women over the age of 21 of all backgrounds including, but not limited to, race, national origin, ethnicity, socioeconomic status, religion/beliefs, ability and sexual orientation who demonstrate an interest in and commitment to voluntarism to join our League. The JLPA•MP understands that the impact and integrity of our work will thrive when our members can express their whole selves while living our mission. We are committed to inclusive environments of diverse individuals, organizations and communities.

COMMUNITY IMPACT

Empowering girls to be STEAM leaders of tomorrow.

The League's **Done in a Day projects** focus on short, intensive community activities that are typically completed in a single day or weekend. Recent project partners include My New Red Shoes, Rebuilding Together Peninsula, The Princess Project and Second Harvest Food Bank.

Project STEAM, a program under Project READ Redwood City, providing hands-on, thought-provoking STEAM activities to girls and their families in a workshop setting.

Through its **community grants program**, the JLPA•MP seeks to respond to critical community needs in our geographic service area.

The **State Public Affairs Committee** of the Junior Leagues of California (SPAC) is a non-partisan education and advocacy organization, representing 16 member Leagues and more than 11,000 women voters. SPAC delegates:

- Advocate for specific legislation relevant four focus areas: family support, education, health and violence prevention
- Educate the members of their "home" League on key legislative issues, and
- Coordinate the exchange of information from the Leagues' community projects to California's policymakers



**4-10
HRS/MO**

TIME COMMITMENT

As a New Member, you are asked to volunteer about 40 hours of service. You'll invest your time in trainings and community service opportunities, designed to help you understand the depth and breadth of our work in the community.

After your New Member year, as an Active member, your volunteer time commitment will differ, depending on the committee and level of leadership you choose.



NEW MEMBER COURSE OVERVIEW

Attend

- **NEW MEMBER CONNECTS**
(Attend two) Monthly meetings of a few hours to learn about the League, its goals and structure, and to and connect with fellow New Members and current League Members.
- **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**
(Attend two) Five meeting are held evenings/ weekends throughout the League year.

Training

- **SELF-PACED eLEARNING**
Complete a series of seven self-paced eLearning modules cover all aspects of the League.

Volunteer

- **DONE IN A DAY SHIFT**
Complete one Done in a Day (DIAD) shift. Shifts are usually four hours and are offered 10-15 times in the League year. Past project partners include: My New Red Shoes, Rebuilding Together Peninsula and Second Harvest Food Bank.
- **SHOP SHIFT**
Get to know The Shop, our resale shop in downtown Menlo Park by completing one shift of two to three hours. Funds raised at The Shop have supported the JLPA•MP's community projects, services and grants for 45 years.
- **CLASS PROJECT**
Participate as a team member on a project that benefits the community and prepares you for your first committee placement an Active member.



**\$266
NEW
MEMBER
FEE**

FINANCIAL COMMITMENT

Fees for new members are \$266. This includes \$176 annual membership fee and a course fee of \$90.

All financial contributions are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

After your New Member year, as an Active member, your annual financial contributions include:

- \$176 membership renewal due April 1
- \$100 support for our fundraisers that may be met through volunteer shifts, cash donation or merchandise donation



GAIN SKILLS

We provide both formal and hands-on training to help you become an effective volunteer and civic/nonprofit leader.

- Advocacy
- Event planning
- Fundraising and development
- Marketing
- Nonprofit board governance and financial management
- Project management

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