

# ANNUAL REPORT 2016-2017



**JUNIOR LEAGUE OF  
SPRINGFIELD, MO**

*Women building better communities®*



Angela Blevins, President

Serving as your Junior League of Springfield President was an extremely proud honor for me and a learning experience I will never take for granted. I have been a part of this organization for more than a dozen years and in that time I have seen it grow, shrink and change in many ways, all in an effort to make our League better and more member centric. And, the change, it keeps a comin'.

This year we had many reasons for celebration. We participated in the inaugural year of Little Black Dress, which surpassed our expectations. We celebrated the end of our long standing Charity Run. We saw continued success with Charity Ball and Plaid Door.

We also ushered in a new era to the Junior League of Springfield. After two years of a lot of hard work from dedicated women, we voted in new bylaws and policies as our League transforms. With this transformation we will increase the number of women in leadership positions and develop ways to help women who want to serve our League and our community.

In support of our mission, we spent more of our resources training women to be leaders. Whether it was through internal training by showing our members the processes of changing an organizations structure or whether it was by our sending more women to external training opportunities.

I hope this Annual Report will give you a small snapshot of our extraordinary year. It highlights our members, our fundraisers and our focus on training women. There will be more changes to come in the next few years, but know that it's all for the continued success of our League and the continued success of the women who serve it.

In Service,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Angela D. Blevins', written in a cursive style.

Angela D. Blevins

# 2016-2017 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Angela Blevins – *President\**

Mary Kromrey – *President-Elect\**

Jen Welton – *VP of Communications\**

Casey Chasteen – *VP of Community\**

Tammy Dixon – *VP of Finance\**

Tara Benson – *VP of Membership\**

Erin Malloy – *Treasurer*

Lori Rook – *Parliamentarian*

Carol Wooten – *Sustainer President*

Krista Adams – *Nominating*

Ashley French – *Immediate Past President*

Emily Coulter – *Project Review & Development*

Courtney Hayes – *Recording Secretary\**

\*Executive Committee



# 2016-2017 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Crystal Mapp – *Public Relations/Marketing*

Andrea Gill – *Digital Media*

Kamille Schultz – *Publications*

Dana Holt – *Administration*

Sarah Angotti – *Arrangements*

Cris Swaters – *Charity Ball*

April Loehr – *Charity Run*

Brandi Delleville & Stephanie Hesser – *Plaid Door*

Dana Ausburn – *Resource & Development*

Stacy Forbis – *Endowment*

Dana Ausburn – *Donor Relations*

Abby Arnold – *Education & Development*

Dena Dill – *Homeless Youth*

Kristen Lochner – *Tour of Kitchens*

Talyia Leeper – *Done in a Day*

Sally Milligan – *Public Affairs*

Kellie Revoir – *Placement*

Lindsey Swartz – *Kids Count*

Michelle Risdal-Barnes – *Scholarship*

Nikki Hutson – *New Member*



# 2016-2017 COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Holly Beadle – *Isabel's House*  
Janet Dankert – *Community Partnership of the Ozarks*  
Cliff Davis – *OTC*  
Jamie Dopp – *City Utilities*  
Brian Fogle – *CFO*  
Melissa Haddow – *Community Volunteer*  
Jennifer Jackson – *Springfield Business Journal*  
Dr. John Jungmann – *Springfield Public Schools*  
Yolanda Lorge – *Grupo Latinoamericano*  
Matt Morrow – *Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce*  
Dana Carroll – *Every Child Initiative*  
Jamie Presley – *KY3, Inc*  
Missy Riley – *Parent as Teachers*  
Dr. Meera Scarrow – *Mercy*  
Gail Smart – *Impacting Poverty Commission*  
Mark Struckhoff – *Council of Churches of the Ozarks*  
Richard Ollis – *Ollis/Akers/Arney*  
Don Chenevert, Jr. – *SRC Holdings*  
Paul Williams – *Springfield Police Dept*



## 2016-2017 COMMUNITY GRANTS

**\$4,000**

Isabel's House Jeannie Redfern

**\$250**

Glendale Girls Service  
Society's Womens Respite Rally

**\$1,000**

Community Foundation  
of the Ozarks

## 2016-2017 MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION



### **Cheri Clark Bouquet of Enthusiasm**

Recognizing a member for dedication  
to the league and a positive attitude.

**Leslie Gloe Johnson**



### **Lifetime Achievement Award**

Recognizing a member for exceptional  
dedication to the League and community over time.

**Marthe Drummond Close**

# 2016-2017 MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION

## **JLS Members Attend ODI**

Organizational Development Institute is a weekend retreat sponsored by the Association of Junior Leagues to better educate League members on various topics affecting the organization and management of individual Leagues. Congratulations to these members who were selected, and completed the training.

Heather Marshall, Sarah Howey, Jacqui Coones, Nikki Hutson - *ODI February 2017 (San Antonio)*

Nikki Holden, Kellie Revoir, Talyia Leeper, Mary Bozarth - *ODI June 2017 (Pittsburgh)*

## **Biz 417 Women Who Mean Business, 2017**

Elle Feldman

## **Leadership Springfield 2016-2017**

Mary Kromrey

Krista Adams

Amanda Tummons

## **SBJ Trusted Advisors**

Jennifer Growcock

Lori Rook

## **Biz 417 20 Under 30 2016**

Emily Coulter

Abby Glenn

## **SBJ 40 Under 40 2017**

Allison Anbari

Melissa Bade

Abby (Dyer) Arnold

Trysta Herzog



# SCHOLARSHIPS

## Building Better Communities

The following 8 women were each selected to receive a \$500 Building Better Communities Scholarship which was established to assist non-traditional female students in the expense of pursuing their education.

**Amber Crockett**

**Bailey Grace**

**Amy Lance**

**Jaclyn Malik**

**Jayme Kim**

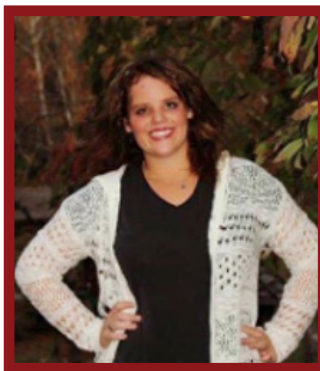
**Jaclyn Shawn**

**Roeshia Rosenau**

**Lauren Wilson**

## Mary Riley Wolfe Scholarship

The following young women were each selected to receive the \$2,000 Mary Riley Wolfe Memorial Scholarship. Each was selected due to education, strong academic performance and exemplary volunteer activity.



**Emily Richardson**  
*Buffalo High School*



**Jamie Sampson**  
*Kickapoo High School*

# MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION

## Lobby Day



## Sustainer Lunch



# Tour of Kitchens



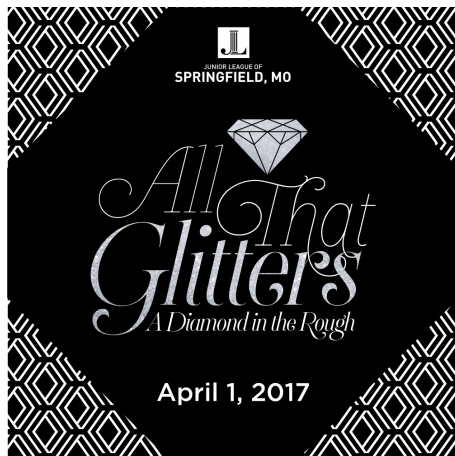
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Junior League of Springfield proudly hosted its 3rd annual Tour of Kitchens on September 24, 2016 featuring a glimpse into six of Springfield's finest residential kitchens in 417-land. More than 250 attendees enjoyed the crisp fall weather, amazing cooking demos, and beautiful decor at each home.





The Junior League's 11th annual Charity Run 5K was held April 22nd, 2017, at the JLS Headquarters. More than 75 runners, walkers and volunteers came together to participate in this family fun event.



Junior League of Springfield hosted the 58th Annual Charity Ball, one of the most prestigious fundraisers in our community. Junior League Charity Ball was an exciting evening of elegance, tradition, and just plain fun! Guests of the event enjoyed fine dining and cocktails, live music, and an opportunity to support the Junior League by shopping our silent auction. All That Glitters, A Diamond in the Rough, was an evening of celebration. Guests hit the dance floor and toasted to the success of the Junior League's efforts to promote voluntarism, develop the potential of women, and improve our community. The event raised several thousand dollars towards the Junior League Building Better Communities scholarship.







the plaid door  
the resale boutique with a heart

The Junior League is proud to have owned and operated the Plaid Door Resale Boutique since 1976. This year marked the second year of transformational changes made to ensure its continued success for years to come. The Plaid Door is now 100% Junior League volunteer operated and resides in the Junior League Headquarters. Now offering private shopping events on upscale merchandise gives the community even more ways to shop. Having raised over \$2 million dollars for the Springfield community, the Plaid Door is now poised for even greater success in serving the Junior League of Springfield's mission in the future.





Junior League of Springfield initiated a new fundraiser during the 2016-2017 year. The Little Black Dress Initiative (LBDI) is a global initiative started by the Junior League of London to raise awareness of the impact of generational poverty. The Junior League of Springfield, MO joined League's across the nation (and pond!) and participated in our inaugural event from February 6-10, 2017. During this week, participants wore the same little black dress for five consecutive days to illustrate the effects poverty can have on a woman's access to resources, her confidence, and her professional opportunities while soliciting donations for our mission. By wearing a button that read "Ask me About my Dress," members invited and welcomed dialogue among colleagues, friends, and strangers to raise awareness about generational poverty. As a social media driven campaign our members raised \$12,220.00 for our mission!

# **2016-2017 COMMUNITY PROJECTS**

**Great Circle**

**Laura's Home**

**Ozarks Counseling Center**

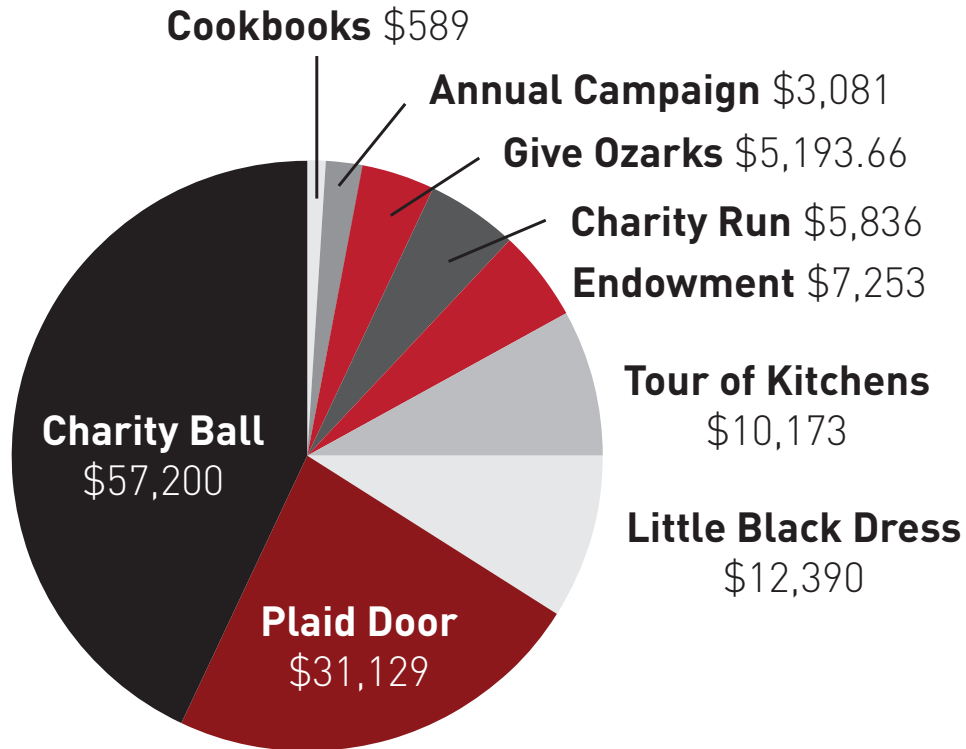
**OTC Middle College**

**LifeHouse Crisis Maternity Home**





# FINANCIAL STATEMENT



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## EXTERNAL TRAINING

1,572



Training  
Hours

17



Women  
Trained

\$19,952



Money  
Spent

## INTERNAL TRAINING

4,336

259

\$11,898

226 Active  
Members

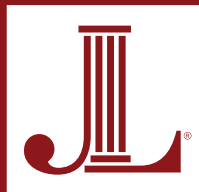
33 New  
Members

350 Sustaining  
Members

612 Total  
Members



Each figure= 10 members



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