

Junior League of Springfield **Founders Fund Scholarship Application**

Eligibility Requirements:

Applicants must be:

- Female
- A US Citizen, US National or US Permanent Resident
- A resident of Springfield or one of its surrounding communities
- Attending secondary school full-time
- Anticipating high school graduation in the 2023-2024 academic year
- Planning to pursue a degree at an accredited US post-secondary institution for the 2024-2025 academic year
- Maintaining a minimum unweighted **GPA of 3.5** on a 4.0 scale

Deadline for Submission

Applications must be submitted with all required documentation by March 31, 2024.

Required Information:

Student name

Contact information including home address, phone number, and email address High School name and graduation date

College name (if known) and anticipated area of study

Student profile including:

- Community Involvement and Volunteer Impact (Consideration will be given to the volunteer impact the candidate has had on her community including leadership roles, volunteer awards and recognition.)
- Extracurricular Activities and Employment during high school including leadership roles
 - o For extracurricular activities, please include the activity/organization, your role or position, and dates of involvement.
 - o For employment, please describe employer, duties, hours worked and duration of employment.
- Scholastic Achievements & Honors including leadership roles
- List other scholarships and amounts received to date.

Community Volunteer Experience Essay:

- This essay should describe the leadership roles you have taken, the impact on your community, and what you have learned from your high school community volunteer experiences.
- Please limit the essay to 500 words or less. Applicants who exceed this will be disqualified.

Required Attachments:

- Completed Academic Certification of GPA and Test Scores (Download Required Form)
- Official High School Transcript
- Two letters of recommendation
 - These letters should be written and signed by the high school counselor, teachers, club sponsors, or supervisors from a place of employment or volunteer organization.

Acknowledgement and Signature:

- ✓ I confirm that I am not an immediate family member of the Junior League of Springfield which includes Provisionals, Active and Sustainers as well as League employees.
- ✓ I understand application submissions that do not comply with the above requirements will not be considered.
- ✓ I hereby certify that all the information provided by me in this application (or any attached documents) is correct, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Questions or inquiries can be directed to FoundersFund@jlspringfield.org.