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The Junior League of Springfield is now Accepting Applications for the Mary Riley Wolfe Scholarship

SPRINGFIELD, MO., January 24, 2018 – The Junior League of Springfield (JLS) is currently seeking applicants for The Mary Riley Wolfe Memorial Scholarship which will be awarded this Spring. This scholarship has been awarded annually since 1995 and has awarded a total of \$45,000. It was established as a tribute to Mary Wolfe, a JLS past president, who lost her battle to cancer. Mary was a teacher and dedicated volunteer.

JLS is seeking applicants who are well-rounded individuals involved in their school and the community. Applicants must exhibit leadership qualities and a strong volunteer history.

The Scholarship Committee will be focusing on the following criteria when making its decision:

- 1. Community Involvement and Volunteer Impact
- 2. Essay
- 3. Extracurricular Activities and Employment
- 4. Scholastic Achievement and Honors including leadership roles.

JLS will award two scholarships in the amount of \$1,500 each. The scholarship winners will be honored at the JLS Spring Annual Meeting. Funds will be paid directly to the designated institution and are to be used only for tuition, books or lab fees.

Eligibility Requirements (included but not limited to):

- A resident of Springfield or one of its surrounding communities
- Attending secondary school full-time
- Anticipating high school graduation in the 2017-2018 academic year
- Planning to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. post-secondary institution for the 2018-2019 academic year
- Maintaining a minimum unweighted GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 point scale

• Immediate family members of current, one-year prior, and next-year incoming members of the Junior League Board of Directors and League employees are NOT eligible to receive a League Scholarship.

For more requirements and general scholarship information, please visit our webpage at <u>www.jlspringfield.org/scholarships</u>.

About the Junior League of Springfield

The Junior League of Springfield, Inc. is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable. The Junior League of Springfield reaches out to women of all races, religions and national origins who demonstrate an interest in and a commitment to voluntarism.

Since 1959, the Junior League of Springfield has contributed more than \$4 million and more than 1.3 million hours of volunteer service to the Springfield community. For more information, please visit the Junior League of Springfield website at www.jlspringfield.org.