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Junior League of Indianapolis makes donation to The Patachou Foundation to help Indianapolis youth and families
JLI urges other organizations to take part in acts of generosity during COVID-19 pandemic

INDIANAPOLIS – The Junior League of Indianapolis (JLI) announced today it has made a donation of \$7,000 to The [Patachou Foundation](#) to help address food insecurity during the COVID-19 outbreak. This donation will cover the production of up to 6,000 meals for Indianapolis children and families since Indianapolis Public Schools have closed.

JLI's current focus is to prepare students for academic success. As such, the JLI Board of Directors voted to utilize funds to help The Patachou Foundation, an organization that prepares and serves scratch-made meals to children impacted by poverty and hunger. The Patachou Foundation has significantly increased meal production and is distributing meals via community partners across the city.

"We feel grateful JLI has the resources and funds available to help the community in some way during this tumultuous time," said JLI president Patrice Dawson. "Donating to The Patachou Foundation ensures children who rely on meals during school and after-school programs will continue to receive the nutrition they need."

Indianapolis Public Schools typically serve over 20,000 free breakfasts and lunches each day during the school year. Families who rely on in-school and after-school meals are in need of extra support during this time and The Patachou Foundation is helping to fill that gap.

"JLI members are used to providing direct, hands-on volunteer support to local organizations," said Dawson. "COVID-19 is limiting our ability to do that, but we still want to actively support Indianapolis students and their families. We urge other Indianapolis organizations and anyone who is able to do the same."

Over the coming weeks, JLI will continue assessing community needs and is committed to finding ways to support local organizations. Click [here](#) to donate to The Patachou Foundation.

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About Junior League of Indianapolis

The [Junior League of Indianapolis](#) (JLI) 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.