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Junior League of Indianapolis awards \$30,000 in grants to support children with disabilities

COVID-19 needs sparked JLI to award all applicants at least \$1,000

INDIANAPOLIS – The Junior League of Indianapolis (JLI) awarded nearly \$30,000 in trust fund grants to local nonprofit organizations that serve children with physical or developmental disabilities. Given the current environment and the impact of COVID-19 on nonprofits, JLI decided to give at least \$1,000 to each organization.

The trust fund was established in 1929 to support JLI’s first service project with the occupational therapy department at James Whitcomb Riley Hospital. Since then, JLI has invested more than \$600,000 in organizations serving children with disabilities.

“For more than 90 years, JLI has championed organizations that empower children with disabilities,” said Patrice Dawson, JLI president. “We recognize the challenges facing the Indianapolis nonprofit community right now, and we gave great consideration to what we could do to provide support.”

Grant recipients are:

- ArtMix - \$5,000
- Best Buddies Indiana - \$5,000
- Freewheelin’ Community Bikes - \$3,914
- Joseph Maley Foundation - \$3,914
- Jameson Camp - \$3,500
- Indianapolis Children’s Choir - \$1,000
- Indianapolis Parks Foundation - \$1,000
- Indianapolis Symphony Orchestra - \$1,000
- Muscular Dystrophy Family Foundation - \$1,000
- Riley Hospital Occupational Therapy Department - \$1,000
- Visually Impaired Preschool Services - \$1,000

JLI also awarded grants to Riley Hospital for Children through the Anne Collett Hensley Memorial Fund (\$2,374) and the Emily Katheryn Gilroy Memorial Fund (\$313).

JLI strives to be a catalyst for lasting change in the lives of children and their families. Area nonprofits are encouraged to register [here](#) to receive future communication about grants and volunteer opportunities.

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About 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.



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