Annual Report

VIRGINIA YOPP 2008-2009 JLR President



To all our Junior League of Raleigh members and friends,

This past year, our League stayed Mission Driven and Community Focused, as we furthered our mission and continued our tradition of providing trained volunteers to our community in an effort to make Wake County the best place to live and work!

Our League nurtured our commitment to the community by providing more than 200 volunteers in community placements. In addition, we funded 26 community grants totaling \$55,000, allowing agencies to continue to grow new programming despite the external challenges brought by the economic landscape.

Our League empowered members through targeted training and clear communications as we extended our training to include new programs and guest speakers at General Membership Meetings. We also effectively strengthened our League's mission and educated our community and JLR members through the Link and eLink, as well as other targeted communications. We also welcomed and trained 120 new Provisionals and 54 Transfers.

Our League maximized funds raised for the benefit of our community as we celebrated 75 years of the Bargain Box, 24 years of A Shopping SPREE!, 10 years of You're Invited, hosted our 19th Inaugural Ball, and our third annual Showcase of Kitchens. Funds raised from these events and ongoing fundraisers—continued to support our community grants, train our volunteers and establish our long-awaited Center for Community Leadership.

Our League energized members as volunteers as we continued to support them through Team Taking Care of Members and provided opportunities for our members to connect with our community partners through programs like the Angel Tree holiday project—benefiting families of SAFEchild. In addition, team You're Invited energized all members by including them in the planning and creation of our new cookbook which will be introduced in 2010.

Our League recognized and leveraged the talents of our membership as we accepted several prestigious awards, such as the MetroBravo Standing Ovation award for best charity for A Shopping SPREE!, and the Association of Junior Leagues International JL Award for Fund Development for Bargain Box. We also led four successful Provisional projects which had the largest turnout at each project compared to years past and received rave remarks from community leaders.

These accomplishments, as well as many others, were a testament to the Mission Driven and Community Focused theme. Because of these accomplishments and the leadership of our members, our community is a better place. And in true Junior League fashion, this legacy will continue to develop and serve many generations to come. Thank you for a great year and for your continued support!

exposure of their gifts within the arts (theatre, dance, music)

With much appreciation and gratitude,

Vingenia

Community Grants

100 Black Men of Triangle East \$1,500 The Youth Enhancement Academy mentoring program	First Tee of the Triangle\$2,000 The Golf & Life Community Outreach program for at-risk youth	
Alice Aycock Center for Health Education	Garner Road YMCA	
Big Brothers Big Sisters	(EAGLE) program to help inner city adolescents in Southeast Raleigh	
ing program	Girl Scouts of North Carolina Coastal Pines\$1,050	
Boys & Girls Clubs of Wake County\$2,500	Uniquely ME! foster self-esteem program for Wake County girls	
Power Hour homework and tutoring assistance program	Girls on the Run of the Triangle, Inc. \$2,000	
Communities in Schools of Wake County\$2,000 Ready to Read program for kindergarten and first-grade students	After-school programs in Wake County, specifically the GOTR program at the Brentwood Boys and Girls Club	
Easter Seals UCP North Carolina\$4,000	H.O.U.S.E. Theatre Arts Group \$1,000 Transitioning at risk youth beyond their conditions through the	

Volunteer Families Respite care program

Hospice of Wake County	\$3,000
Kids in Training	\$1,000
Learning Together The Best Buddiez group therapy program for two to five-y	
Learning Together The Learning Together Scholarship Fund	. \$5,000
Lucy Daniels Center for Early Childhood The Family Support Fund to provide gap funding to help pay for children's mental health services	
NC 4-H Development Fund The Making Magic Camps program for Wake County you	
Neighbor to Neighbor Comprehensive project for long-term suspended you WCPSS with counseling, academic, life skills and conservice pieces	uth from
SAFEchild The Welcome Baby child abuse prevention program	\$2,500
StepUP Ministry	
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The Caring Community Foundation, Inc	\$3,500
Interact Providing integrated services to adolescent victims and nesses of domestic violence and sexual assault in Wake	and wit-
Wade Edwards Foundation Link2Learn technology project	\$1,000
Wake Teen Medical Services Providing psychiatric, medical services and mental heal seling to youth between the ages of 10-23	
YWCA of the Greater Triangle The Teen Parent Connection project for pregnant and ing teens	
Legacy Fund Recipients Each Helping Horse, Loaves & Fishes, Wake Teen Medical	
Community Needs Grants	. \$6,000



Total of six grants awarded

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