



JUNIOR LEAGUE OF KNOXVILLE

PROSPECTIVE MEMBER INFORMATION PACKET

2024-2025

***Women around the world
as Catalysts for Lasting
Community Change.***

Our Mission:

The Junior League of Knoxville is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training.

Our Current Focus Area:

In an effort to better serve the immediate needs of the community, Junior League of Knoxville is focusing on women's education and safety, with a current concentration on domestic violence and self-development of women.

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Dear Prospective New Member,

Thank you for your interest in joining the Junior League of Knoxville. This packet provides more information about the exciting ways that you can be involved with the League. We look forward to receiving your application for membership!

Our new member application period begins in March 2024, and the timeline for processing of applications and notification of approval can be found on the following page. If you are selected for membership in the League, you will have the opportunity to be the CHANGE in our community; to be the IMPACT in someone's life; and to be a MEMBER of one the oldest, largest, and most effective women's international leadership organizations in the world. As a member of the League and our community, we have the potential to serve those in need directly in our community and further promote other women, changing the world for the greater good one opportunity at a time. A few recent examples of how the Junior League of Knoxville has actively impacted our community are:

- Hands-on volunteering and fundraising for the Knoxville Family Justice Center, the Salvation Army's Joy D. Baker Center, YWCA Knoxville and the Tennessee Valley, and more local nonprofits serving women in our community
- Transformed Community Coalition Against Human Trafficking's warehouse to a boutique for women to begin rebuilding their lives with clothing, furniture, and household goods
- Collected nearly 500 feminine hygiene and baby care items in a product drive benefiting Helping Mamas Knoxville
- Provide annual scholarships for local female high school seniors to further their education
- Raising funds and awareness of domestic violence in our community through the Little Black Dress Initiative
- Development and implementation of the Personal Development Center at the McNabb Center's Domestic Violence Shelter

Membership is also a great way to meet other like-minded women in our community. In addition to the community projects we promote, we have meetings, socials, and several training series where we get to know women outside of our usual circle. These opportunities also further our goals of developing future leaders in our community. Members may learn new skills, further develop current skills, mentor other members, and make lasting connections with community leaders.

I hope this brief introduction inspires you to join our membership. The general timeline for the upcoming year, membership requirements, and application are provided in more detail in the following pages. Please don't hesitate to e-mail us for more information or with questions at membership@jlknoxville.org.

Your involvement today will not only change your life but will make a lasting impact on our community.

Very truly yours,

Phoebe Bates

Phoebe Bates, Membership Experience Director

Opportunities and Obligations of Membership

During your first year as a part of the League, you will participate in and complete the Provisional Course where you learn more about the League's operations and missions as well as socialize with other new members, current members, and sustainer members. In order to proceed from a Provisional Member to an Active Member with the Junior League of Knoxville, the following requirements must be fulfilled:

1. **Complete an Application for Admission (\$50 – Nonrefundable Application Fee)**
 - Application deadline: June 30th, 2024, confirmation within 15 days of deadline
 - Apply online (payment by credit card) or by mail (payment by check)
2. **Payment of Dues**
 - Total Dues for Provisional Members = \$275
 - Your application fee is applied to first year dues for balance of \$225
 - Pay in full or installments – Semi-Annual (\$112.50 due now & \$112.50 due 10/31) or Quarterly (\$56.25 due now, 8/31, 10/31, 1/31)
3. **New Member Membership Contract Signing**
 - Summer 2024, Final Details to Come
4. **Provisional Retreat Workshop**
 - August 2024 (3-4 hours on a Saturday), Final Details to Come
5. **General Membership Meetings**
 - First Tuesday of each month – social at 6 pm, meeting begins at 6:30 pm
 - Six total meetings held September to May – must attend 5
6. **Provisional Community Courses (4 of 6)**
 - Second Tuesday of each month – beginning at 6:30 pm
 - Six total meetings held September to May – must attend 4
7. **Provisional Community Projects**
 - One project in the fall and one project in the Spring
 - Each group choose and plan the projects of their choice for that year
8. **Placement Fair/Spring Retreat Workshop**
 - February 2025, During the General Membership Meeting
9. **Participation in League Wide Events**
 - These include social events, community service opportunities, fundraising and training opportunities

We understand that life can have unexpected events. If you have any concerns or questions about this information, please feel free to e-mail membership@jlknoxville.org. All meeting times and locations will be provided in Summer 2024.



2024-2025 New Member Application

Visit www.knoxville.jl.org to complete your application online or mail the completed application and fee to us at The Junior League of Knoxville, P.O. 1428, Knoxville, TN 37901.

DEADLINE: June 30, 2024

Prospective Member Name: _____

Current Mailing Address: _____

Preferred Phone Number: _____

Preferred E-mail Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

(Must be 21 years of age by 5/31/2024)

Why are you seeking membership with Junior League of Knoxville?

What experiences, professional or personal, have contributed to your desire to be involved in our Knoxville community?



What other interests outside of the Junior League of Knoxville, leadership, and volunteer opportunities do you have (activities you enjoy, career, family)?

Have you read the New Member Application Packet and do you understand the opportunities and obligations (see page 3) associated with the New Member Course?
___ Yes ___ No

Are you in good standing within the Knoxville Community? **Initial:** _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____