2026-2027 Junior League of Tyler Grant Application

The Junior League of Tyler, Inc. is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

Community Coordinating Grants

Our Purpose The Junior League of Tyler seeks to positively impact the Smith County community by providing **substantial monetary grants** and **volunteer support** to meaningful projects that align with our mission and purpose.

Areas of Focus for Funding

We fund projects that:

- The proposed project must align with the mission of **The Junior League of Tyler, Inc.** and adhere to **at least one** of the League's official position statements.
- All services provided through the project must benefit **residents of Smith County**.
- All grant funds must be **spent and reimbursed between June 1, 2026, and May 31, 2027**.
- The partner must be able to **accommodate and demonstrate a clear need** for participation by **Junior League volunteers**.
- The applying organization must demonstrate the ability to **sustain the project** after League funding ends.

Grant Application Timeline We welcome **funding requests** from **nonprofit organizations and community agencies in Smith County** for the 2026–2027 League year.

- **Application Period:** June 9, 2025 – September 5, 2025
- **Funding Period:** June 1, 2026 – May 31, 2027

Please apply for the **full amount of funding** your project requires. Partial grants may be awarded at the League's discretion.
Deadline: All grant applications and documentation must be submitted by **September 5, 2025**.

Late or incomplete applications **will not be considered** and will result in an automatic decline.
Early submissions are encouraged to allow adequate time for review and consideration.

Please upload ALL supporting documentation. Please note that if your application moves forward in the process to our Community Coordinating Hearings, we will request an in-person presentation.

Inquiries and requests should be directed to:
JUNIOR LEAGUE OF TYLER, INC.
ATTN: Community VP
1919 S. Donnybrook Tyler, Texas 75701
(903) 595-5426

General Information

Please answer each question as briefly and concisely as possible. Long responses may not receive our full attention due to the volume of requests we receive. The grant application process is highly competitive. Please request the maximum dollar amount needed, as partial grants are also considered.

Please give yourself enough time to complete the application. The application will not save if you step away from it, intending to return. If you would like to print a copy of your complete application, please print BEFORE hitting the submit button. JLT, is used throughout as an abbreviation of The Junior League of Tyler, Inc.

1. Name of Agency or Organization

2. IRS EIN Number

3. Contact Person
   NOTE: The contact person provided should be responsible for the administration of the project requested.

4. Contact Person's Title

5. Mailing Address

6. Phone Number

7. Email Address

8. Website URL

9. Social Media- usernames, links, etc.

10. Name of Project for Grant Request

11. Brief Project Overview
    NOTE: This should include a brief description of the project, the individuals it will serve, the amount of funding requested, an overview of how the funds will be spent, and a brief project timeline.

Funding the Project

Please request the maximum dollar amount needed, as partial grants are also considered.

12. Total Project Budget

13. Grant Request Amount from the Junior League of Tyler for the project

14. Describe other funds you expect to receive for this project:
For example: federal funds, state funds, seed money, funds from other community agencies, etc.

15. Has the agency or organization submitted a request to Junior League of Tyler funds within the past 3 years? (Community Coordinating Grant or Community Assistance Fund request)

16. If you have submitted a request in the past 3 years, please list the amount requested (if known) and the amount granted for the years funds were received below. (Community Coordinating Grant or Community Assistance Fund request)

Project Information

Help us get an idea the details of the project and how it will benefit the community.

17. Please provide a detailed description of the project.

18. Please identify the anticipated leadership of the project and the employees or volunteers that it will require to facilitate and maintain.

19. What community needs will this project fulfill?
Please mention surveys or other indications of this need.

20. Please list other community agencies or organizations that provide the same or similar services or are attempting to solve the same community needs:

21. What role could the Junior League play in this project? Financially and/or with volunteers?

22. How many clients do you expect will be served by this project?

23. How are the clients you serve selected or chosen for this project?

24. Explain how clients will receive this service or participate in this project:

25. What geographical areas are primarily served by this project? *Remember, recipients of services from JLT grants must be Smith County residents.

Agency/Organization Information

Tell us more about your organization.

26. Please give a brief history/description of the agency/organization.

27. Please provide your organization's mission statement.

28. Tell us about your current programs and activities.

29. Please describe between 1-3 top accomplishments of your organization within the last three years.

Sustainability and Evaluation

30. Please describe your plan for the long-term sustainability of the project after the grant awarded has been exhausted.

31. Would this project be capable of generating its own funds? If yes, please explain at what point in the future do you see this being accomplished.

32. What is your plan for evaluation to determine the impact of your requested project?

Volunteer Opportunities

All JLT grants awarded must come with a volunteer(s), either by placement with the organization for the 2026-2027 League year and/or various CPT opportunities with the organization during the 2026-2027 League year. Please give us an overview of volunteer needs and/or opportunities that are specific to the June 2026 - May 2027 timeframe, but do NOT have to be directly related to the project that this grant application is for.

Definitions:
Placed volunteer- a member or members that are specifically placed to volunteer with your organization during the League calendar year. They will work directly with your volunteer coordinator and each will volunteer a minimum of 36 hours during the League calendar year.
Community Project Team, CPT- JLT volunteers that can assist in facilitating projects, events, and other activities on an as needed basis. For example, a one-day event or a few events that total less than 36 hours, but require the assistance of volunteers. These are usually completed by JLT volunteers in 3-hour shifts.

33. Name of Person responsible for training, supervising, coordinating, and evaluating volunteers:

34. Phone Number

35. Email Address

36. Number of Volunteers needed for a placement opportunity?
(1 Volunteer = 36 Hours)

37. Please provide a detailed description of volunteer opportunities for a placed JLT volunteer that would be available during the 2026-2027 year.

38. Would there be any volunteer opportunities specific to the project requested?

39. If you received a prior year's grant, did you have a placed JLT Volunteer?

40. If yes, please provide a brief overview of their role(s) as a volunteer with your agency/organization.

41. Can others observe this placement?
We understand observation of some placements by other League members may not be possible due your policies and/or confidentiality requirements.

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

42. If multiple volunteers are assigned, can multiple volunteers serve together at the same time?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

43. Would your organization and/or project have other volunteer opportunities for our "Community Project Team" (CPT/3-hour shift)?

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

44. Please list any and all Community Project Team (CPT) opportunities between June 2026-May 2027, including the Name, Date, and Number of volunteers needed.

Agency/Organization Support Documents

45. I understand that in order for my application to be considered, I must email the following documents to jltcommunity@juniorleagueoftyler.org within 24 hours of completing this application.
    1. Copy of your organization's IRS Tax Determination Letter
    2. Current Board of Directors
    3. Current Fiscal Year Operating Budget4. Most recent Year-End Financial Statements
    5. Project Budget (must use template provided at https://juniorleaguetyler.org/grants/)

    If supporting documents are not emailed by the application deadline, the application will not be considered.

    ◯ I understand

Acknowledgement

46. By clicking the box below, you are agreeing to enter into a contract with the Junior League of Tyler.

- ◯ I agree
- ◯ I disagree

47. By submitting this application, I understand that I must provide adequate volunteer opportunities for JLT member(s).

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

48. I understand that the JLT Grant Application Budget Template must be completed and emailed to jltcommunity@juniorleagueoftyler.org in order for grant request to be considered.

- ◯ Yes
- ◯ No

Thank you for applying for a Junior League of Tyler grant!

If you have any questions regarding the grant application, please contact our Community VP, Chelsea Cooper. jltcommunity@junior-leagueoftyler.org

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