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## **Junior League of Denver Grants \$20K to Kick Off 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** ***To grant up to \$100K total to honor first century of service***

DENVER (June 12, 2018) - Junior League of Denver (JLD) is celebrating its first century of service by giving away up to \$100K, starting with \$20K in grants to four esteemed nonprofit partners (listed below) in May. The JLD will grant up to \$50K during its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year, and up to \$30K in 2019-2020.

Additionally, the League will celebrate by donating 100,000 volunteer hours to the Denver metro community and providing members with 100 training opportunities, as well as 100 networking opportunities during its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year. The JLD will wrap up the year by hosting [The Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc.](#) Annual Conference in downtown Denver, May 2-5, 2019.

"We are thrilled to celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in Denver this year," said Becky Schaub, 2018-2019 JLD President. "Reflecting on the League's rich history is a humbling experience for all JLD members. We look forward to honoring all of the incredible women that came before us by continuing to provide trained civic volunteers to our community, as well as provide vital monetary support to fellow nonprofits through our granting program."

The League's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year officially runs June 1, 2018 through May 31, 2019. [Grantee photos available here: https://bit.ly/2LLs32i](#). JLD history photos and history books are available upon request. For more upcoming events and happenings, please visit [jld.org](http://jld.org).

### **CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF DENVER AT MARSICO CAMPUS**

#### **\$1,000 and 250 Books**

Grant will be used for The Early Literacy Initiative that provides experiences, programming and informational resources that promote daily adult-child reading, support the development of early literacy skills and foster a lifelong love of reading.

### **FLORENCE CRITTENTON SERVICES**

#### **\$10,000**

Grant will be used to support the Teen Literacy Program, providing critical language and literacy programming to children at the Early Childhood Literacy Center.

### **THE GROWHAUS**

#### **\$5,900**

Grant will be used to help create a year round literacy station for the BEES program (Budding Early Experiences) for 3-10 year olds and the after school program (ages 7-10). Throughout the day, children can use the books, which focus on healthy eating, active living, growing food, food justice and more, in the outdoor educational classroom as well as at home.

### **HEART & HAND CENTER**

#### **\$3,100**

Grant will be used to provide literacy programming for 130 youth and their family members from a highly marginalized population in Northeast Denver. This work is critical in ensuring students stay on track for educational proficiency in each grade.

### **Who We Are**

Junior League of Denver (JLD) is a women's training organization that develops civic leaders committed to improving our community. We are currently working to improve literacy rates and provide access to books for children through the third grade. Founded in 1918, the League started, and aided in starting, many well-known Denver institutions including Children's Museum of Denver, Mile High Transplant Bank, the Red Rocks concerts, and many others.

### **Live the Legacy: *Give, Grow, Get Connected***

The JLD is an organization where women are enabled to *Give* back to their community, *Grow* professionally and as leaders, and *Get Connected* to other women.

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