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# 10<sup>th</sup> Annual "The Journey" Evening Fundraiser Fri., March 11 Featuring Keynote Speaker Sarah, Duchess of York

DENVER (Feb. 3, 2022) - Join the Junior League of Denver (JLD) for **The Journey**, an exciting evening fundraiser, on Fri., March 11 at the Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado Convention Center. The 10<sup>th</sup> annual event will feature keynote speaker **Sarah**, **Duchess of York**. Once again, **Reggie Rivers** will serve as emcee and auctioneer for the evening's festivities.

"The Duchess will speak about the resiliency and strength of women in philanthropy, a topic near and dear to our hearts," said 2021-2022 JLD President Caryne Mesquita. "We are thrilled to have her speak at our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary Journey fundraising event."

Proceeds enable the League to continue its mission of developing civic women leaders and impactful community volunteers. Funds also support the JLD's literacy efforts and newly expanded community focus, inclusive of women and families experiencing systemic poverty.

In addition to a variety of signature programs, funds raised by events help the JLD provide substantial financial and volunteer support to its community partners. <u>Learn more</u> about the JLD's community impact and current programs.

## THE JOURNEY 2022 DETAILS:

When: Fri., March 11, 2022, 6 p.m.

What: Cocktail hour, dinner, keynote speaker Sarah, Duchess of York

Where: Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado Convention Center

**Tickets:** General Admission \$175 (\$200 after Feb. 4) VIP \$275 until sold out (includes access to meet and take a photo with The Duchess) <u>Purchase Tickets</u>

More info: <u>JLD.org</u> or 303-692-0270

### About Sarah, Duchess of York

For more than 30 years, The Duchess has been committed to children's and wellness causes with a focus on education. She has travelled the globe to witness the projects first-hand and has personally raised significant donations for causes that share her passion for change. In 1993, she founded Children in Crisis to provide education to forgotten children around the world and the charity has educated over 1.4 million children. The Duchess was a founder patron of Street Child when the two charities merged, recently stepping down from the role when the charities successfully integrated to focus on her new international charity, <u>Sarah's Trust</u>.

Alongside this, she has launched a new daily YouTube story time show called <u>'Fergie & Friends'</u>, where she reads a series of different children's books, sometimes with guests, to help keep children entertained during lockdown. In addition, these stories have been distributed to children's hospitals throughout the UK and US, accompanied by personal recorded messages from The Duchess.

The Duchess has published more than 70 books, including two autobiographies and titles focused on health, empowerment, history, art and children's stories. She is a regular speaker and panelist at global forums on subjects including women in business, women and wellness, human rights, and the need to help more children in the world's toughest places access education. She has received numerous awards for her philanthropic work.

#### Who We Are

The 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

JLD is an organization where women *Give* back to their community, *Grow* personally and professionally, and *Get Connected* to other women.