

WHO WE ARE

The Junior League of Bridgeport, Connecticut, was founded on July 7, 1920, by 47 women to foster interest in the social, economic, educational, cultural, and civic conditions in the City of Bridgeport, to make voluntary service efficient, and to raise funds for the League's projects.

Now, ninety-five years later and nearly 300 members strong, as the Junior League of Eastern Fairfield County, we work with our community partners to impact school readiness in the areas of literacy, healthy lifestyles, and to better prepare children to succeed in later grades and, subsequently, graduate from high school.

We are an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Our purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.



WHAT WE DO



Partner with The Center for Family Justice, Connecticut Coastal YMCA Bridgeport, and the United Congregational Church of Bridgeport / Norma F. Pfriem Urban Outreach Initiatives to teach families how to cook healthy meals

Cook & provide healthy meals to food-insecure individuals in Fairfield and surrounding towns



Run Student Appreciation events, Read Alouds, Literacy Contests, Book Clubs, and provide monthly snacks to students at Thomas Hooker School in Bridgeport



Provide monthly meals to residents of Operation Hope's Fairfield shelter for the homeless

Advance literacy by collecting and providing gently used books to local children



"Healthy Families creates a place where families can learn how to live a more whole life. The support system provided by Junior Leaguers, United Congregational Church of Bridgeport, Center for Family Justice, and YMCA, brings hope to families in the South End of Bridgeport. In short, Healthy Families changes lives. And I am proud to be a part of such an amazing and positive effort."

- Reverend Sara D. Smith, Esq., United Congregational Church

WHY SUPPORT

To make a difference in your own backyard

To invest in the power of women to create lasting community change

To support leadership development opportunities for women



“The Junior League of Eastern Fairfield County has helped Thomas Hooker grow in many ways during the course of our relationship. The JLEFC has provided Thomas Hooker with resources, volunteers, and support; it is difficult to quantify the support we have received from the Junior League of Eastern Fairfield County. Our partnership is important to the well-being of our students and staff.”

- Katie Smuckler, Thomas Hooker School

Examples of how **your investment** in JLEFC can make a difference...

\$500 Provides meals and healthy meal preparation education for up to 15 families at a Healthy Families Dinner

\$250 Provides healthy Cook & Feed meals for 144 food-insecure individuals at Operation Hope

\$125 Provides snacks to 30 at-risk children during a monthly Student Appreciation event at Thomas Hooker School

\$75 Provides arts & craft supplies for use during the Healthy Families Dinner Series

\$50 Provides pots, pans and cooking supplies for Cook & Feed gatherings to prepare meals for Operation Hope

\$25 Provides supplies for a Done in a Day project with a local community partner

Any donation makes a difference, no matter the size

HOW TO DONATE

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