



JUNIOR LEAGUE COBB-MARIETTA



IMPACT REPORT 2025-2026

Mission

The Junior League of Cobb-Marietta is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's **leadership** for meaningful **community impact** through volunteer actions, collaboration, and **training**. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

Thank You

2025-2026 Board of Directors

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Welcome

2026-2027 Board of Directors

President Anna Gibson

VP of Membership Emily Wheeler

VP of Community and Advocacy Anne Kiely

VP of Finance Savanna Wind

Congrats!

2025-2026 Award Winners

Sustainer of the Year Aisha Eustache

Mary Hariman Service Award Savanna Wind

Ruth Norcutt Service Award Renee Dias

McNeel-Gilber Service Award Emily Wheeler

Friend of the League Marsha Brenner



DEVELOPING WOMEN TO DO A WORLD OF GOOD

HIGHLIGHTS

OUTCOMES

COMMUNITY IMPACT

- \$10,000 in Grants Awarded
 - 380 hours Volunteered in the Community
 - Two parties hosted for the Center for Children and Young Adults
 - Relationships reestablished with Marietta City Schools and Cobb County Schools
- Continued to build relationships with new organizations
 - Working toward stronger community impact with assistance of AJLI

LEADERSHIP AND ADVOCACY

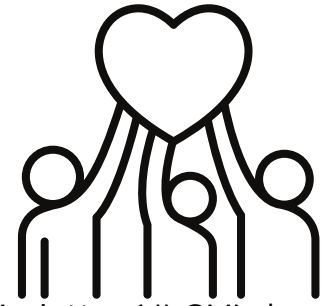
- Introduced 4 workshops in key areas of Leadership, Financial Wellness, Mental Health, and Personal Development
 - Restructured Board and Committees to better serve the League for the future
- Sent two board members to AJLI annual conference to reinvigorate energy into board
 - Continued communication with AJLI to further develop JLCM structure

CONNECTION

- 11 New Members
 - 5 Transfer Members
 - 38 Socials to foster community and connection
- Prioritization on member belonging
 - Focus on member retention across all membership levels



Community Impact



For more than 90 years, the Junior League of Cobb-Marietta (JLCM) has invested in organizations that strengthen our community and improve outcomes for women, children, and families.

During the 2024-2025 League Year, JLCM reestablished its formal Grant Application Process, reaffirming its commitment to accessible, transparent, and impact-driven funding. This process allows eligible nonprofit organizations across Cobb County to apply for grants of up to \$2,000 and includes post-grant reporting to document outcomes and community impact.

Building on the success of this reestablished program, JLCM continued its grantmaking efforts into the 2025-2026 League Year, awarding funding to five nonprofit partners whose work directly supports children and families in our community:

- Center for Children and Young Adults (CCYA) - providing off-campus housing and enrichment experiences for girls ages 16-20 in group care, promoting life skills, social development, and emotional well-being through exposure to real-world, age-appropriate activities and community engagement
- Cobb Moms Helping Moms - expanding direct financial assistance for vetted local families, supporting essential needs like housing, utilities, and groceries to promote household stability and long-term sustainability
- LiveSafe Resources - funding school-related expenses and enrichment activities for children in shelter and transitional housing, helping them heal from trauma, maintain stability, and experience normal childhood opportunities
- Marietta Schools Foundation - providing funding for food-insecure students at Lockheed Elementary, ensuring consistent nutrition for food-insecure students through weekend meal programs
- STEAM Generation - delivering hands-on STEAM programming that builds confidence and sparks interest in STEM careers for Cobb County girls

As JLCM continues to grow and strengthen its grant program, we are proud to invest in both new and returning community partners who are creating lasting change. Together, we are expanding opportunity, strengthening families, and deepening JLCM's impact across Cobb County.

Leadership Impact



This year marked an important milestone in JLCM's evolution as we deepened our connection with the Association of Junior Leagues International (AJLI). By intentionally aligning with AJLI's best practices, leadership frameworks, and strategic guidance, JLCM strengthened its foundation as a mission-driven organization committed to developing empowered civic leaders and creating meaningful community impact.

This connection directly informed the recommended organizational restructure, ensuring our governance, leadership development pathways, and operational focus are clearly aligned with AJLI's standards for sustainable and impactful Leagues. The restructure prioritizes clarity of purpose, leadership accountability, and strategic continuity—allowing our members to more effectively translate training and service into real-world community outcomes.

Looking ahead, this alignment will significantly enhance JLCM's Leadership Impact by creating a more cohesive leadership pipeline, improving decision-making effectiveness, and positioning the League to respond with agility to community needs. Through our partnership with AJLI and commitment to intentional growth, JLCM is poised to lead with greater confidence, consistency, and collective impact for years to come.



Connections Built

At JLCM, we know that a prominent reason that women join our organization is to grow their networks and build connections with likeminded women. Throughout the 2024-2025 League Year, we spent time focusing on our members with the goal of growing the sense of member belonging. We welcomed 11 new members, 5 transfers from other Leagues, and are excited to continue to foster the sense of community in years to come. We continue to strive to be a welcoming space for members and sustainers alike, all while amplifying our ability to make a difference in our community through service.





Thank You for your contributions to the **Junior League of Cobb-Marietta!** Your support empowers our **mission** and our **members!**

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