



**JUNIOR LEAGUE OF AKRON**  
*Women building better communities®*

**Press Release**

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**DSW – Designer Shoe Warehouse makes \$10,000 gift to the Junior League of Akron  
*Contribution to assist one of the oldest volunteer organizations in Akron, OH***

Junior League of Akron (JLA) recently announced a \$10,000 donation from DSW Designer Shoe Warehouse (DSW), continuing the rich tradition of community support that DSW has been known for.

“The Junior League of Akron is incredibly grateful to DSW for its generous donation of \$10,000 and for its long-time community partnership,” said Jennifer Highfield, President of the Junior League of Akron. “DSW’s contribution will be used to support the JLA’s education and health impact areas through increased funding and volunteers in the community. By investing in the greater Akron area, DSW and the Junior League of Akron are working together to build a better community.”

Also accepting the \$10,000 gift from DSW on behalf of the Junior League was Keri-Ann Kalavity, immediate past-President. DSW made this generous gift to the JLA on behalf of Keri-Ann’s commitment to the community and passion for volunteerism.

One of the largest volunteer service organizations in the area, the Junior League of Akron has active volunteers who have contributed more than 100,000 hours of service to the greater Akron community.

The Junior League of Akron is a nonprofit organization that provides opportunities for women to gain leadership skills and volunteer expertise while working on vital community projects. During its 85+ year history, the organization’s members have contributed thousands of volunteer hours to organizations throughout Greater Akron. Members are business owners, working mothers, professional women and stay-at-home moms who are committed to community service. They represent more than 28 communities across Greater Akron.

**About the Junior League of Akron**

Founded in 1926, the Junior League of Akron empowers women for positive change in our community. The League is proud of the ventures its members have started or participated in, including Junior Leadership Akron, Family TIES, The Volunteer Center, Child Guidance Centers, Akron Artfest, Immunization Coalition of Summit County, The Community Wish List, Oral Health Initiative, Health Education Center, Battered Women’s Shelter, Safe Landing Runaway Shelter, Guardian Ad Litem and Mary Day Nursery (now Akron Children’s Hospital).

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