



*To honor 40 service projects for 40 years in 1 day*

## 1,200 COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS, 40 PROJECTS, 40 YEARS OF SERVICE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF COLLIN COUNTY 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY



**PLANO, TX – March 28, 2017** – The Junior League of Collin County (JLCC) kicked off a milestone 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a day of service on Saturday, March 25. JLCC members and their families, 300 volunteers strong worked simultaneously throughout Collin County contributing more than **1,200 hours** to the community through 40 projects.

The day began at [JLCC Headquarters](#) with a presentation by Former Texas State Senator Florence Shapiro and Former Mayor Pat Evans, both original founders of the Plano Service League which is today, Junior League of Collin County. Following their remarks, a reception was held including several Plano Service League Founding Members, Collin County Mayors, Past Presidents of Junior League of Collin County, JLCC Membership, Community Advisory Board, Community Partners and civic leaders. A complete list of the [project beneficiaries](#) is below.

In 40 years, JLCC has contributed 750,619 volunteer hours and \$7,252,726 in direct impact funds to the community through non-profit organizations serving Collin County.



At the heart of the JLCC mission is volunteerism. JLCC is a group of 900 women strong committed to developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Not only does the community benefit from their individual contributions through JLCC, the valuable leadership skills are carried throughout the members' lives expanding the impact multifold. JLCC focuses on signature impact areas of Family Violence, Literacy, Health, Children and Youth and Quality of Life.

### JLCC HISTORY

This organization was founded in 1976 by thirteen visionary women who fully committed themselves to improving their evolving community at a time when Plano, Texas was becoming one of the fastest growing communities in the country. They formed the Plano Service League as they recognized there were needs in the community, and they wanted to meet those needs. The Plano Service League became the Junior League of Plano, and was admitted to the Association of Junior Leagues International in February of 1984, becoming the 255th League to join AJLI.

In 2011, the Junior League of Plano adopted a new name, the Junior League of Collin County, to more accurately reflect the growing countywide membership and expanding community impact. Our League has a deep history in the Collin County community, and through the decades, our members have remained committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community. Evidence of this impactful work can be seen all across our community, as our members have engaged in community building since the earliest days of

the League, and Junior League of Collin County members engage and commit to making positive change and serving as leaders across the community.

**40 Anniversary Project List:**

Agap

e Resource & Assistance Center

Allen Community Outreach

ArtCentre of Plano

Brain Injury Network of Dallas

Boys & Girls Club Collin County

Carter BloodCare

Children's Health Legacy

Cornerstone Assistance Network of North Central Texas

Wylie Draper Intermediate School

Frisco Family Services ReSale

Grace Bridge Food Bank

Grace Bridge ReSale Store

Grace To Change

Heard Natural Science Museum & Wildlife Sanctuary

Heritage Farmstead Museum

Heritage Guide of Collin County

Hope's Door New Beginning Center

Hugs Café

Kids in the Kitchen

LifePath Services

McKinney ISD Special Olympics

Minis and Friends North Texas

My Friend's House

My Possibilities

North Collin County Habitat for Humanity

Plano Garden Club

Plano HEAD START

Plano ISD CORE Store

Samaritan Inn

Special Olympics of Plano

The Birthday Project

The Family Place

The Legacy Senior Communities

The Salvation Army Plano Corps

The Texas Pool

The Turning Point Rape Crisis Center

This Side Up! Family Center

Women's Auxiliary to Children's Medical Center Plano, Legacy Chapter