



JUNIOR LEAGUE OF MONTGOMERY

COMMUNITY GRANT WORKSHOP

AUGUST 6, 2026 | JLM OFFICE



WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

2026-2027

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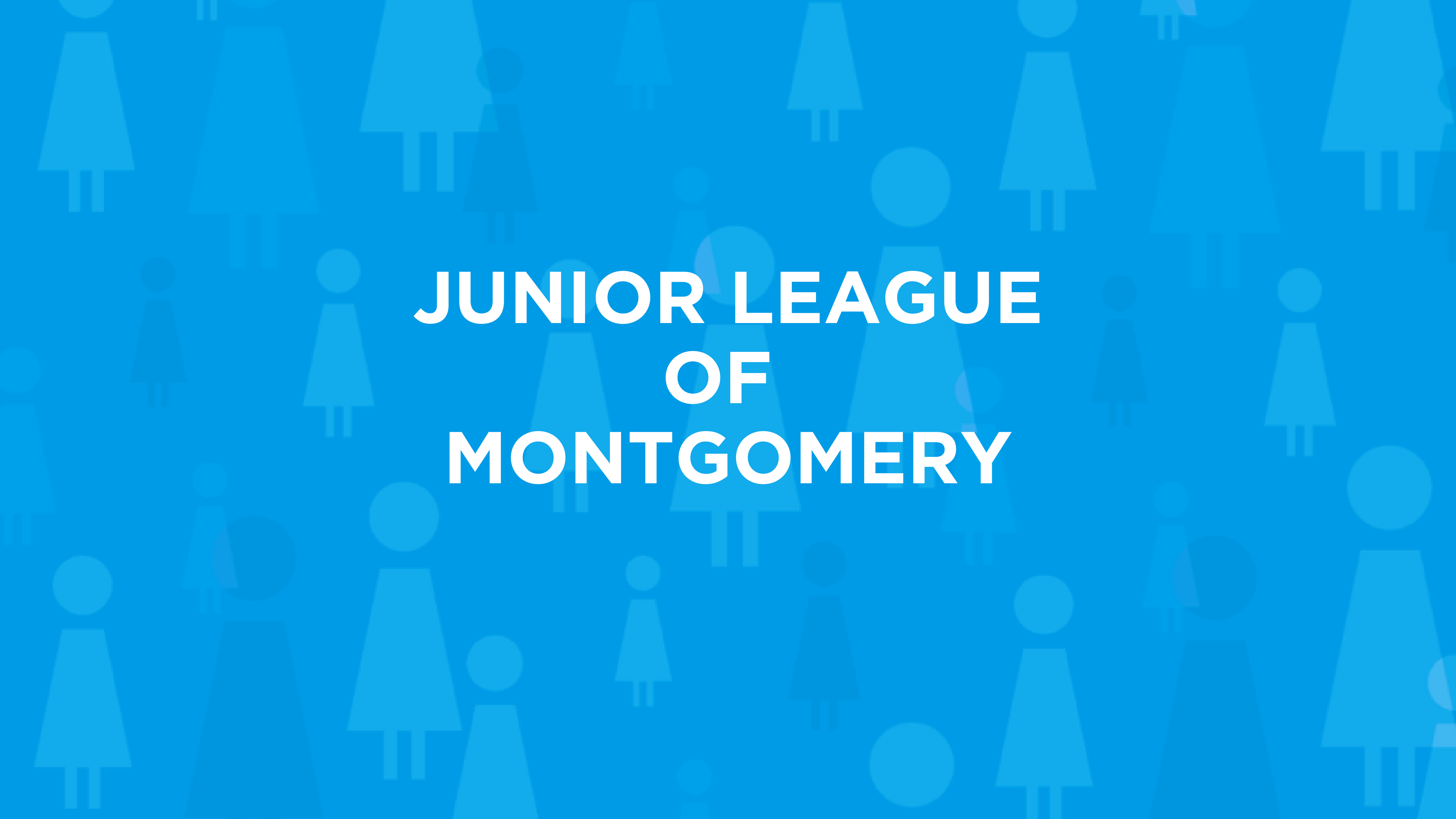
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TODAY'S AGENDA

-  Welcome and Introductions
-  About the Junior League of Montgomery
-  2026–2027 Community Partnerships
-  Project and Grant Proposal Process
-  Building a Strong Application
-  Review, Selection and Approval Process
-  Community Assistance Fund
-  Applications
-  Contacts and Questions



JUNIOR LEAGUE OF MONTGOMERY

ABOUT JLM

The Junior League of Montgomery:

- 👩 Develops women as trained volunteer leaders
- 👩 Builds partnerships with local nonprofit organizations
- 👩 Connects volunteers with community needs
- 👩 Has served the Montgomery community since 1926



MISSION

The Junior League of Montgomery, Inc. is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training.

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COMMUNITY PLACEMENTS

2026-2027 COMMUNITY PARTNERS

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB (DONE IN A DAY)

C.H.A.N.G.E Alabama

CLEFWORKS (DONE IN A DAY)

JUNIOR MISS FOUNDATION

THE GROVE (DONE IN A DAY)

MENTAL HEALTH AMERICA

**COMMUNITIES OF TRANSFORMATION (DONE
IN A DAY)**

SUM!

A JLM PARTNERSHIP

A JLM community partnership includes:

-  Financial support for an approved project
-  Meaningful roles for JLM volunteers
-  A clear schedule and defined expectations
-  Collaboration between JLM and agency staff
-  Reporting on project activities and results

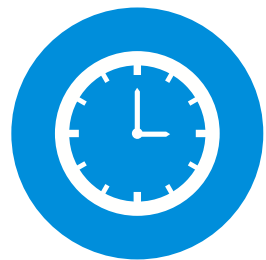
GRANT PROCESS

2027-2028 PROJECT & GRANT OPPORTUNITY



APPLICATION DEADLINE

September 4, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. (Central)



PROJECT YEAR

June 1, 2027 - May 31, 2028



SUBMIT TO

communityresearch@jlmontgomery.org



SUBMISSION FORMAT

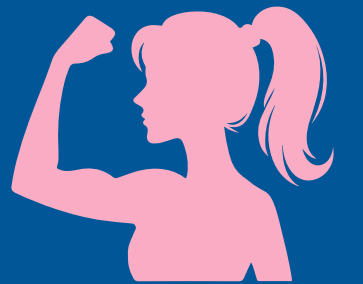
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ELIGIBILITY & COMMUNITY FOCUS

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS MUST:

- ✓ Qualifying 501(c)(3)
- ✓ Serve Montgomery
- ✓ Address a major need
- ✓ Align with Strengthening Families
- ✓ Manage project and volunteers

STRENGTHENING FAMILIES MAY INCLUDE:



Children and youth

Education and parenting

Elderly or medically underserved residents

Family stability and community support

BUILDING A STRONG PROPOSAL

Your proposal should clearly explain:

-  The community need
-  Who will be served
-  The project's goals and activities
-  How JLM volunteers and contribute
-  The project schedule and budget
-  The results you expect to achieve

VOLUNTEER PLAN & BUDGET



VOLUNTEER PLAN

- ✓ Ideally 8-25 volunteers
- ✓ State mins and maxes
- ✓ 15-20 hours, per volunteer
- ✓ Specific duties, dates and times
- ✓ Training or clearance requirements



PROJECT BUDGET

- ✓ Total project cost
- ✓ Amount requested from JLM
- ✓ Detailed line-item budget
- ✓ Other funding sources
- ✓ How JLM funds will be used
- ✓ **No administrative costs**

REVIEW AND SELECTION PROCESS



GRANT TIMELINE





COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FUND (CAF)

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WHAT IS CAF?

The Community Assistance Fund allows JLM to respond quickly to a limited, immediate funding need of a nonprofit organization.



Volunteer service not required



Requests that fall outside of JLM's focus



CAF is a separate from the grant process



CAF GUIDELINES

- ✓ 501(c)(3) status or equivalent.
- ✓ Operates within 35 miles of Montgomery
- ✓ Emergency monetary need
- ✓ Not for annual funding or campaigns
- ✓ Current JLM-funded agencies not eligible



APPLICATIONS & CONTACTS

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COMMUNITY GRANT



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Instructions:

<https://www.jlmontgomery.org/community/community-grants/>



COMMUNITY GRANTS



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GRANT TIMELINE

September 4, 2026	●	Applications due by 5:00 p.m.
September–October 2026	●	Review, follow-up, and site visits
Fall 2026	●	Recommendations developed
By February 2027	●	Board and membership consideration
Spring 2027	●	Agencies notified and members select placements
May 2027	●	Contracts finalized
June 2027	●	Project year begins