



# JUNIOR LEAGUE OAKLAND-EAST BAY

# PRESIDENT'S LETTER



Dear JLOEB Community,

Junior League of Oakland-East Bay (JLOEB) is committed to developing the potential of women to become civic or professional leaders and valued community volunteers. Every leadership opportunity within the Junior League is dedicated to women. JLOEB provides the ability to develop leadership skills at every level of the organization, from Committee Members to the Board of Directors. Equipped with this hands-on training, JLOEB members make an impact in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.

Throughout our 90 years, JLOEB has focused our efforts on improving conditions for vulnerable children throughout Oakland and the greater East Bay area. We do this by collaborating with local community-based organizations and social service agencies to develop sustainable strategies that address unmet community needs, providing resources to community organizations, and dedicating volunteers to support project development, implementation, and outreach efforts. In recent years, we have expanded our support to unhoused women and gender-expansive people.

I'm very excited to commemorate our 90th Anniversary in 2025! This special celebration will honor our history, our members, and community partners. Stay tuned for more details and if you'd like to participate in the planning we will have an ad-hoc committee spearheaded by Lisa Parker.

JLOEB continues our mission of advancing women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training.

I am excited to learn and serve our members as well as strive to improve our league operations. We are better together.

Thank you for the opportunity!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Trish Sagare".

Trish Sagare  
President 2024-2025



## OUR MISSION

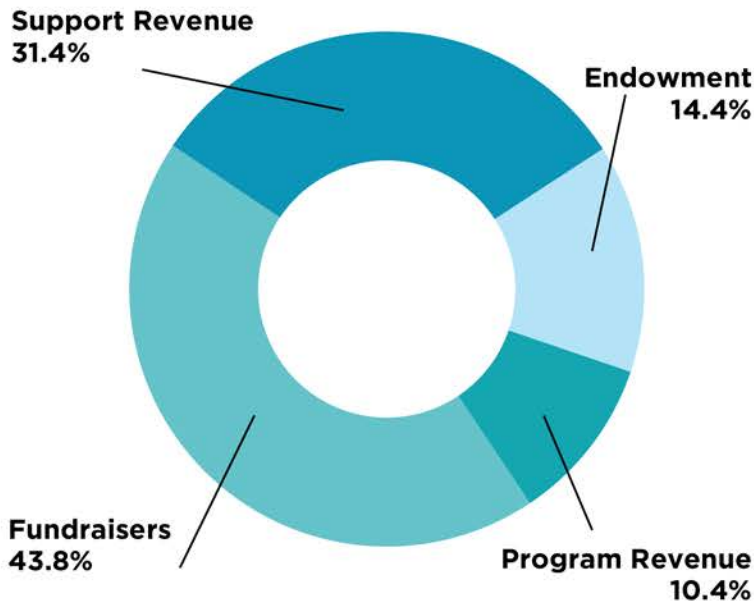
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# 2023-2024 FINANCIALS

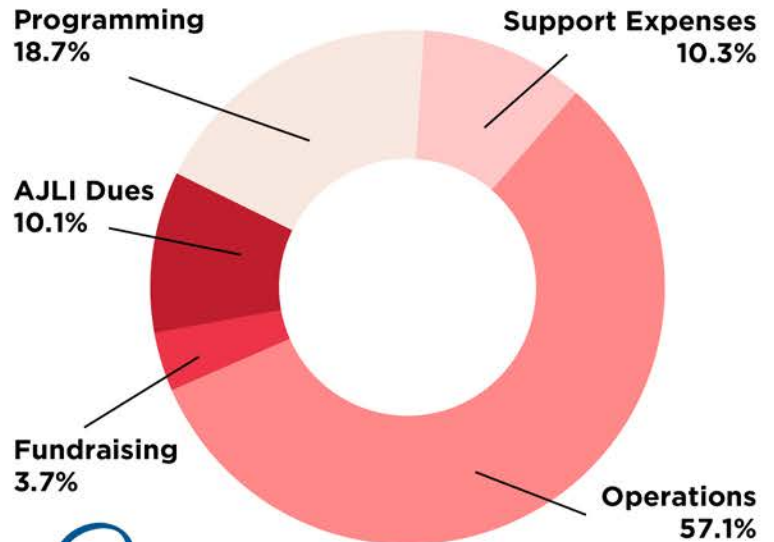
**TOTAL REVENUE \$77,610**

- Fundraiser Income: \$32,691**  
*Giving Tuesday, Touch a Truck, May Celebration*
- Support Revenue: \$23,435**  
*Member Dues, Transfer/Late Fees*
- Endowment Revenue: \$10,734**  
*MMM Donations, Interest Income, Dividend Income, and Realized Gain/Loss on Investments*
- Program Revenue: \$7,750**  
*Donations to JLOEB's Annual Fund and Provisional Course Fee*



**TOTAL EXPENSES \$96,760**

- Programming: \$18,139**  
*Committee Expenses, Conferences, Outreach, General Membership Meetings*
- Support Expenses: \$10,000**  
*Community Enrichment Fund Grants*
- Operations: \$55,229**  
*Salaries for Part-Time Bookkeeper & Operations Coordinator, Legal Fees, Insurance, Bills, Postage, Annual Audit*
- Fundraising: \$3,587**  
*Special Event Expenses*
- AJLI Dues/Support: \$9,804**  
*Fees to AJLI*



*Did you know?*

While JLOEB is a volunteer organization, we employ a part-time **Operations Coordinator** (previously the Office Manager) to oversee office communications and support essential operations like JLOEB's emails, phone calls, mail, and coordinating meetings, ensuring efficient workflow and effective communication within the office environment. JLOEB also contracts a **Bookkeeper** who maintains detailed financial records, ensuring continuity, compliance with regulations, and the accurate recording and tracking of revenue and expenses. Both roles are vital in upholding League operations, transparency and accountability to both AJLI and our donors. The **Annual Review/Audit** is required by AJLI and is conducted alongside the annual tax filing, to further reinforce financial transparency and accountability to AJLI and our donors as a nonprofit organization.

2023-2024

# League Year



## MANAGEMENT TEAM 2023-2024 LEAGUE YEAR

### Vice President of Membership

Morgan Davis & Lecie Tucker\*

### Vice President of Marketing & Communications

Thelma Andree

### Vice President of Community Impact

Semuteh Freeman\* & Nneoma Nwobilor

### Vice President of Training & Education

Emily Means

### New Member Chairs

Akilah Crossdale & Molly Kreuzer

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2023-2024 LEAGUE YEAR

### President

Leslie Fisher

### Secretary

Alyssa Doke\*

### Treasurer

Liz Williams\*

### Nominating Directors

Nicole Cox & Chalon Rogers

### Sustainer Director

Lisa Parker

\*Not pictured

At the end of the 2024 League Year:

## WE WELCOMED 16 NEW ACTIVE MEMBERS

Breanna Abruzzo

Mishaela Albright

Enyonyam Boyd

Hallie Brignall

Angela Craven

Angela James

Irma Kemp

Kristen Nailor

Taylor Peterson

Lillian Quackenbush

Taylor Radke

Meghan Stader

Laura Sweitzer

Sarah Velen

Tamicia Wakefield

Janeé Weaver



# THE LEAGUE YEAR

# In Review

The Junior League of Oakland-East Bay (JLOEB) is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration and training. **Learn more at [jloeb.org](http://jloeb.org)**

In 2023-2024 JLOEB had:

**48 ACTIVE MEMBERS**  
**37 NEW MEMBERS**  
**232 SUSTAINERS**



In 2023-2024 JLOEB held:

**31 TRAINING AND EDUCATION EVENTS FOR 250 ATTENDEES**

In 2023-2024 JLOEB supported:

**15 ORGANIZATIONS PROVIDING 379+ VOLUNTEER HOURS**



In 2023-2024 JLOEB hosted:

**30 LEAGUE WIDE SOCIALS**  
**+ 3 GMMs & Friendsgiving Area Meeting**

In 2023-2024 JLOEB held donation drives for:

**2 EAST BAY NONPROFITS**



Touch a Truck, JLOEB's signature fundraiser, was held on **April 20, 2024** and featured:

**21 VEHICLES**  
**55 VOLUNTEERS**  
**969 GUESTS**  
**9 SPONSORS**

+ a petting zoo, raffles, games, food trucks & more!



**\$25,000 RAISED**

In 2023-2024 JLOEB distributed:

**\$10,000 IN GRANTS**

JLOEB'S Community Enrichment Fund provides grants to Alameda and Contra Costa nonprofit organizations that work to address our focus area of **women, children, and gender expansive individuals experiencing homelessness in the East Bay.**



# COMMITTEE

# Updates

## COMMITTEE UPDATE

# Community Impact

JLOEB's Community Impact (CI) Committee is responsible for developing relationships with organizations and nonprofits that address East Bay needs including food insecurity, housing and mental health services, education, economic empowerment, life skills, family support, and so much more. As one of our most active and largest committees, CI members organized volunteer shift opportunities for the entire League to participate in across Alameda and Contra Costa counties.



## 27 SHIFTS

## 15 PARTNERS

## 379 HOURS OF SERVICE





## 2023-2024 PARTNERS



IMAGES L-R: PAGE 9: GIRLS ON THE RUN BAY AREA 5K, YOUTH HOME THRIFT SHOP, GREATER RICHMOND INTERFAITH PROGRAM (GRIP) HARMONY WALK, CHILDREN'S FAIRYLAND HALLOWEEN JAM FOR KIDS; PAGE 10: ALAMEDA COUNTY COMMUNITY FOOD BANK, PROJECT GLIMMER, YOUTH HOMES THRIFT SHOP, ALAMEDA COUNTY COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

## COMMITTEE UPDATE

# Training & Education

JLOEB seeks to develop women's leadership through hands-on learning opportunities in project, team, and nonprofit board management. Additionally, the League provides a wide range of learning opportunities inspired by League members. Trainings are wide-ranging and member driven. This past year, the Training Committee organized in-person and virtual sessions on topics like leadership development, self-care, building welcoming and inclusive spaces and even topics like personal styling, yoga, and women in whiskey!



## 31 TRAININGS

## 250 ATTENDEES

## 45+ HOURS OF LEARNING



## TRAINING COLLABORATIVE

The Training Collaborative of Junior Leagues is a collection of Leagues from all over the world with one goal: to provide engaging and meaningful training opportunities for members. In the 2023-2024 League Year, JLOEB joined the Collaborative and committed to planning and sharing a virtual training with all participating Leagues. In turn our Members had access to monthly trainings hosted by Leagues all across the country including topics like leadership, DEI, and professional development.

## BUILDING WELCOMING SPACES

For our contribution to the Collaborative on November 4, 2023, JLOEB hosted transgender advocate Gia Parr, a 20-year-old communications major at USC and board member of the organization: GenderCool. Gia, who authored '*A Kids Book About Being Transgender*,' shared her inspiring story in a 45-minute fireside chat with President Leslie Fisher (Gia's aunt!). They discussed themes of gender, race, and positivity in promoting inclusivity and personal growth.

## COMMITTEE UPDATE

# Fund Development

Touch a Truck 2024 was a huge success. We are grateful to our generous partners who provided vehicles for the event, our amazing volunteers who helped make the event happen and ensured a fun experience, to partners who provided donations for our raffle and goody bags, and of course to those who supported our event by attending and purchasing an entry ticket, snacks and feed bags, and raffle tickets! Funds raised from the event will go towards furthering our mission through community grants, leadership training, and more! Special thank you to Sustainer Janel Wellborn for stepping up to spearhead our signature fundraiser.



**\$25,000 Raised**



**969 Guests**



**55 Volunteers**



**9 Sponsors**



**21 Vehicles**



**Countless Smiles**



### 2024 Touch a Truck Ad-Hoc

#### Committee Members:

Janel Wellborn, *Chair*

Kirsten Dunatov

Lacee Musgrove

Marisa Melo

Emily Wasserman

Erica Ames, *Honorary Member*

#### Thank You to Our Sponsors:

Pacific Printing

PC Professional

Chevron

Republic Services

Active Sustainers & Friends of JLOEB

Compass Marketing

Lisa Parker

Balestrieri Family Farm



Save the Date

**Touch a Truck** will return to Balestrieri Family Farm on Saturday, April 26, 2025. More details will be available at [oakland.jl.org/truck](http://oakland.jl.org/truck)

# COMMUNITY *Enrichment* GRANTS



## LOTUS BLOOM

Lotus Bloom's mission is to provide a safe, welcoming and inclusive space for traditionally underserved populations to come together as a community to provide children with a rich learning foundation. The \$4,000 CEF grant supported their Multicultural Playgroups, where parents, caregivers, and kids can come together to foster bonding, social skills, and early learning preschool experiences in a structured space with free play, art, literacy, circle time, and field trips.



Playgroups are offered weekly across three sites in Downtown/West Oakland, San Antonio, and East Oakland. Over 75 families attend playgroups every week to access early learning, socialization, and enrichment activities.

Learn more at [LotusBloomFamily.org](http://LotusBloomFamily.org)

*The Junior League of Oakland-East Bay Community Enrichment Fund (CEF) was created to help fund the critical work of nonprofit and community agencies in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties.*



### 2024 Grant Committee

#### Advisors:

Emily Wasserman  
Marisa Melo

### 2024 Grant Committee

#### Members:

Enyonyam Boyd  
Hallie Brignall  
Ngan Bui  
Jasmine Griffin  
Irma Kemp  
Crystal Matson  
Lacee Musgrove  
Nneoma Nwobilor  
Laura Sweitzer  
Tamacia Wakefield



## SERENITY HOUSE OAKLAND

Serenity House Oakland's mission is to empower women who have experienced violence, addiction, homelessness, and incarceration to heal from trauma, transform their lives, and achieve their dreams. The \$6,000 CEF grant went towards assisting 10 families to receive



essential move-in items including bedding, pillows, blankets, cleaning supplies, pots and pans, kitchen essentials, and more. The goal is to offer families a fresh start as they rebuild their lives after fleeing from domestic violence situations.

Learn more at [SerenityHouseOakland.org](http://SerenityHouseOakland.org)

# WE APPRECIATE OUR

# Sustainers



Our Sustainers had another successful year with many exciting events! We began with a wine tasting luncheon at Buon Vino and some Fall shopping at The Cashmere Sale. Sustainers generously donated almost \$2,000 on Giving Tuesday for our Annual Fund. Next up, was our holiday Wassail party hosted by Molly Robarts, we had a great turnout.



Sustainer affinity groups continued to meet monthly, and we supported the Touch a Truck fundraiser with sponsorships. Our annual Sustainer Luncheon was held at the Marriott Walnut Creek and we announced that Susan Hauser was our Sustainer of the Year! Lisa Parker continued on as our Sustainer Director with her fourth year of service. Thank you to all the Sustainers who showed up and supported our efforts! We appreciate you!



Sustainer of the Year  
Susan Hauser



# MAY Celebration

Each year the Junior League of Oakland-East Bay closes out the League Year with our May Celebration. This event is an opportunity for all membership to gather and toast to a year full of service, community impact, and friendship.

Held at the beautiful Terrace Room in Oakland on Friday, May 10, 2024, we packed the room and reminisced on an incredible year. We heard from our Community Enrichment Fund Grant recipients, heard highlights and updates from all of our committee leads, commemorated our new Active Members and awarded our Member awards. This event is open to all Members and we invite you to join us in this coming May 2025.



## 2023-2024 AWARDEES



**New Member of the Year**  
Janeé Weaver



**Rising Star**  
Thelma Andree



**AJLI Rising Star**  
Marisa Melo



**President's Award /  
Wonder Woman**  
Liz Williams



**Sustainer Recognition**  
Randy Ervin



**Heart of the League**  
Trish Sagare



# THANK YOU Donors

2023-2024 League Year Donors

Anonymous  
 Thelma Andree  
 AT&T United Way  
 Employee Giving  
 Campaign  
 Carol Barnes  
 Myra Belfiore  
 Liz Cantwell  
 Susan Chritton  
 Cheryl Claeys  
 Janet Crandall  
 Evie Cranston  
 Lupe Dryburgh  
 Randi Ervin  
 Larissa Estes  
 Lisa Estes  
 Leslie Fisher  
 Allison Fletcher  
 Ann Fletcher  
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 Sheila Guess  
 Virginia Halloran  
 Susan Hauser  
 Alison Holland  
 Jan Hope

Mary Ann  
 Hughes-Jones  
 Joey Judge  
 Estelle Knowland  
 Carla Koren  
 Alena Le Blanc  
 Julie McAfee  
 Judi McKee  
 Joanie Shepherd Mellows  
 Anne Mitchell  
 Maridel Moulton  
 Susan Otis  
 Lisa Parker  
 Janet Pease  
 Julie Peck  
 Helen Rees  
 Molly Robarts  
 Chalon Rogers  
 Carolyn Sheaff  
 Theresa Stetson-Burke  
 Kathy Urban  
 D.D. van Loben Sels  
 Lynne Vodra  
 Kim Weinstein  
 Janel Wellborn



Members at our Galentine's Day Event



Members at one of our Friendsgiving Area Meeting

COMING IN 2025

## DONOR BENEFITS & GIVING LEVELS

In 2025 the Junior League of Oakland-East Bay is excited to announce our brand-new Donor Recognition program for the 2025-2026 League Year. Become a **Friend of JLOEB** and become eligible for incentives like donor recognition and complimentary tickets to our annual fundraiser.

Learn more at [jloeb.org](http://jloeb.org)

### FRIENDS OF JLOEB

*Giving Levels & Benefits for Supporters of the Junior League of Oakland East-Bay*

<p><b>FRIEND</b> ★</p> <p>Donors of up to \$250 Annually or \$25 Monthly</p>	<p><b>BRONZE</b> ★</p> <p>Donors of up to \$500 Annually or \$50 Monthly</p>
<p><b>SILVER</b> ★</p> <p>Donors of up to \$1,000 Annually or \$100 Monthly</p>	<p><b>GOLD</b> ★</p> <p>Donors <b>over</b> \$1,000 Annually or \$100 Monthly</p>

*Benefits include recognition on our website and annual report, complimentary tickets to our annual fundraiser, and more! [Learn more at jloeb.org](http://jloeb.org)*

INCOMING

Leadership



## MANAGEMENT TEAM 2024-2025 LEAGUE YEAR

### Co-Vice Presidents of Membership

Mishaela Albright & Lecie Tucker

### Co-Vice Presidents of Marketing & Communications

Thelma Andree & Lillian Quackenbush

### Co-Vice Presidents of Community Impact

Angela Craven & Tamicia Wakefield

### Co-Vice Presidents of Training & Education

Angela James & Emily Means

### Co-Vice Presidents of Fund Development

Lacee Musgrove & Kimberly Sanguinetti\*

### New Member Chairs

Caroline Boyson & Molly Kreuzer\*

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2024-2025 LEAGUE YEAR

### President

Trish Sagare

### Secretary

Alyssa Doke

### Treasurer

Liz Williams

### Executive Vice President

Marisa Melo

### Nominating Director

Odette Vandaveer\*

### Sustainer Director

Lisa Parker

\*Not pictured

*Coming Soon...*

**CELEBRATING**



— 1935-2025 —

**JUNIOR LEAGUE**  
OAKLAND EAST-BAY



# JUNIOR LEAGUE OAKLAND-EAST BAY



*New JLOEB Mailing Address:*

248 3rd Street #1333, Oakland, CA 94607



*Check out our newly refreshed website:*

[jloeb.org](http://jloeb.org)



925-284-3740



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