JUNIOR LEAGUE OF
WASHINGTON

2019 – 2020 RESOLUTION READ
PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Through its Resolution Read initiative, the Junior League of Washington (JLW) facilitates the distribution of new books to children in the greater Washington, DC community.

Resolution Read provides new books to programs focused on the importance of

- reading out loud to children;
- placing age-appropriate books in the homes of children; and
- providing more books to schools and libraries.

By addressing these three areas, the JLW will continue to make a lasting impact in the Washington, DC, community by fostering a passion for books and reading where it otherwise might not exist. Annually, JLW provides thousands of new books to children through Resolution Read.

Requests for books must meet at least one of the three children's reading focus areas:

(1) lack of reading materials in the home; or
(2) lack of reading materials and resources in school classrooms and libraries; or
(3) lack of exposure to reading aloud (ages 0-5th grade).

Book applications will be accepted on a rolling basis beginning in June 2019, and must be received a minimum of two months prior to the book distribution event. A limited number of applications will be selected.

Proposals will be evaluated based on the extent to which books will be used to make an impact on improving literacy and the availability of volunteer opportunities for JLW members at book donation event(s). Availability of funding and requested titles will also be taken into consideration. For a full list of decision criteria, please see page 2.

As we look toward our next 100 years serving our community, JLW is committed to working with nonprofit organizations in the Washington, DC, area that make a significant difference in the area of literacy by continuing to provide books and trained volunteers.

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APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Programs interested in receiving books from the Junior League of Washington will receive preference if they:

- Operate programs within Washington, DC.
- Provide a minimum of 3 volunteer hours for Junior League volunteers (3 volunteers for 1 hour each, 1 volunteer for 3 hours, or some combination thereof). Preference will be given to organizations that provide opportunities for reading aloud to children. Volunteer opportunities should be primarily in the evening and/or on weekends.
- Distribute books for children to take home as a part of a literacy program. Preference will be given to organizations that use the books within the program to improve literacy (such as in book clubs or with reading buddies).
- Request books available on First Book (www.fbmarketplace.org). Requests for books not available on First Book may be considered if a clear rationale is provided for the need for the book, and if the program has a demonstrable impact on improving literacy.
- Work with children ages 0 through 5th grade.
- Clearly demonstrate their constituents' need for the books.
- Demonstrate how their program is fostering a passion for books and reading where it otherwise might not exist.
- Provide documented evidence, including metrics and statistics as available, of improved literacy as a result of their program.
- Allow the Junior League of Washington to list your organization as a partner on its website.

The Junior League's mission is to promote voluntarism, develop the potential of women, and improve communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. We seek to partner with organization whose mission and activities align with our own.

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APPLICATION COVER PAGE

Please be sure to complete all narrative fields in the application.

This cover page, plus the application and any required appendices, must be emailed to resolutionread@jlw.org in PDF format with the name of the organization in the subject line. All information must be received to consider your application complete. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis. While we strive to review requests and fill awards quickly, applications must be received at least two months prior to the date of your event/book distribution in order to receive books in a timely fashion.

ORGANIZATION NAME, as shown on 501(c)(3) letter:

ORGANIZATION FEDERAL TAX ID NUMBER:

SIGNATURE OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, OR PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD:
(The signature is mandatory. Applications without a signature will not be accepted.)

_____DATE:_____
SIGNATURE

_____TITLE:_____
PRINTED NAME

REQUIRED APPENDICES

[Please note: DC Public Schools are exempt from providing the appendices.]

_____A. Letter from the Internal Revenue Service stating your organization is tax-exemptunder Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and is classified as "not a private foundation" under Section 509(a) of the same code.

_____B. [IF REQUESTING MORE THAN 500 BOOKS] Audited financial statement. If an audited financial statement is not available, please state why and include the most recently filed 990. If any of the information on this checklist is not applicable to your organization, please explain.

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Date Submitted	
Organization Name	
Organization federal tax ID number	
Organization mailing address	
Organization website	
Program name	
Program address (if different from mailing address)	
Name and title of person submitting application	
Phone	
E-mail address	
Additional information about the organization and/or program	
Book Requests	
For what programming will the books be used?	
How has this program (or your organization) impacted literacy in the Washington, DC community? **Please provide metrics where applicable.**	

How is your program fostering a passion for books and reading where it otherwise might not exist?	
Approximate timing for delivery/ distribution?	
Total number of books requested?	
Specific titles or themes?	
Grades and/or ages served?	
Partnership Commitment	
Have you previously received books from the JLW? If so when and how were the books used?	
How many JLW volunteer hours will you provide? How will you utilize JLW volunteers?	.
Would your organization allow the JLW to list your organization on our website or use for promotional efforts (e.g. annual report, marketing materials)?	
Would your organization allow the JLW to take pictures to use for promotional efforts?	