



JUNIOR LEAGUE OF
CENTRAL WESTCHESTER

2024 VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD APPLICATION (NORTHERN WESTCHESTER)

The Volunteer Service Award

The Junior League of Central Westchester (“JLCW”) is offering up to two \$1000 Volunteer Service Awards, each to a female high school junior as of March 2024. Each recipient of this award will be a young woman who has demonstrated an exemplary commitment to volunteerism and public service. The purpose of this award is to promote volunteerism and to support the development of young women.

Who We Are

The JLCW is an organization of approximately 240 women from Central and Northern Westchester. For over 75 years, the JLCW has been working with local non-profit organizations to identify community needs and develop effective and responsive programs to serve those needs. The JLCW provides leadership, volunteers and funding for all of our community projects. We are committed to training volunteers and promoting volunteering for life.

Application Deadline

All applications (including letters of reference) must be submitted by March 31, 2024. Applications should be submitted in one of two ways:

Email: communitydev@jlcentralwestchester.org
Mail to: Junior League of Central Westchester
Attention: Volunteer Service Awards
Wayside Cottage
1039 Post Road, Scarsdale, NY 10583

If you have any questions, please call the JLCW at (914) 723-6130 or email communitydev@jlcentralwestchester.org.

Award Criteria

The JLCW will consider all applicants who meet the following criteria:

- Female
- Current high school junior
- Lives or attends high school in Armonk, Bedford, Bedford Hills, Briarcliff, Chappaqua, Katonah, Mount Pleasant, Mount Kisco, Pound Ridge and Somers.
- Has demonstrated a commitment to volunteerism and/or public service between September 2021 through March 2024.



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Each applicant must submit the following documents:

1. **Applicant Information Sheet** (attached)

2. **Essay** (ranging between 250 – 400 words in length) describing how the applicant and the organization(s) and/or student group(s) at which the applicant volunteered benefited from the applicant’s volunteer work.

3. **Letters of reference** from **TWO** organizations and/or student group(s) at which the applicant has demonstrated her commitment to volunteerism. These letters must be provided by the individual responsible for supervision of the applicant’s work and must be submitted on the organization’s or school’s letterhead. Each letter of reference should include the following details:
 - * Description of volunteer activities performed by applicant
 - * Estimate of the number of people impacted by applicant’s volunteer work
 - * How the organization and/or student group and/or student body benefited from the applicant’s volunteer work
 - * Duration of applicant’s volunteer work (start through end dates) and average number of volunteer service hours per month
 - * Average hours per month (if any) that applicant worked at a paying job during the school year

4. **Letter of reference** from applicant’s high school guidance counselor.

Review Process

Telephone conferences may be conducted with the applicant, the supervisor(s) and/or the guidance counselor noted on the application. In-person interviews with applicants may be requested.

Award

The JLCW will award up to two scholarships to the top candidates. Each one is for \$1000. The JLCW will announce the award recipients in May 2024.



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2024 VOLUNTEER SERVICES AWARD APPLICANT INFORMATION SHEET

Name	
Address	

Telephone Number	
Date of Birth	
High School(s) Attended (Name and Address)	
Expected Graduation Date	
Volunteer Service Organization or Student Group Reference (Include Name and Address of Organization/Student Group; Name and Contact Information of Supervisor)	
Volunteer Service Organization or Student Group Reference (Include Name and Address of Organization/Student Group; Name and Contact Information of Supervisor)	
Guidance Counselor	