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**Junior League of Lancaster Seeks Applicants for the 2024 Deborah P. Altman Award**  
*Lancaster County's Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award*

**LANCASTER, PA (February 2, 2024)** – The Junior League of Lancaster, PA, Inc. (JLL) is pleased to announce that the organization is now accepting applications for the 2024 Deborah P. Altman Outstanding Youth Volunteer Award. The award is named for Deborah P. Altman, past president of the JLL whose life exemplified a commitment to volunteering, a love of children, and service to the community. Since the award was established in 1984, over \$47,000 has been awarded to outstanding youths in Lancaster County.

The purpose of the award is to recognize young people who demonstrate exceptional interest, leadership, and involvement in volunteerism as well as to inspire their peers to volunteer in their communities. One high school student will be selected to receive the award, receiving a prize of \$1,800 (a \$1,500 monetary award for the student, and a \$300 award that the student can designate to a charity of their own choosing).

All applications must be received by Monday, March 4, 2024. The winner will be notified via email on Monday, March 18, 2024, and the award presentation will take place Monday, April 1, 2024, at 7:00 PM.

**Qualifications for applying:**

- Any student who resides in Lancaster County who has reached the age of 16, but is not older than 19, by January 31, 2024.
- Has done his/her volunteer work in Lancaster County
- Is not the son or daughter of a Junior League member
- Has at least a "C" average this year and the previous academic year

**How applications are evaluated:**

- Quality of volunteer work (as assessed by the Awards Committee)
- Documented volunteer work
- Reference from the adult associated with the student's volunteer work
- Documented scholastic record
- Properly completed application packet

Application packets are available on the [Junior League of Lancaster's website](#) and are distributed through school guidance counselor offices. These forms may be copied. Questions may be directed to The Junior League of Lancaster, [grants@jllancaster.org](mailto:grants@jllancaster.org).

Please visit the League's website at [www.jllancaster.org](http://www.jllancaster.org) for more information about the League's projects, programs and fundraisers.

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### **ABOUT THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LANCASTER**

Established in 1923, the Junior League of Lancaster is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training. Junior League members scan the needs of our community, conduct issue-based research and identify areas where we can be most impactful in our local ecosystem. As of June 2022, our current initiative is Food & Nutrition Accessibility, a newly adopted Issue-Based Community Impact (IBCI) focus area, to combat the lack of access to healthy and nutrient-rich food and improve nutrition knowledge and dietary habits across all populations in Lancaster County. For a century, we have identified the needs of our area and have rallied to provide meaningful and lasting improvements. Our purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

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