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**Junior League of Greater Princeton Announces Scholarship Winners**

In April, the Junior League of Greater Princeton (JLGP) honored three local high school seniors who received Voluntarism Scholarships. The JLGP awards three $1000 scholarships annually to female high school seniors who have demonstrated a strong commitment to community service and voluntarism. This year’s recipients – Amanda Barbour of Monmouth Junction, NJ, Anastasia Babicki of Titusville, NJ, and Maggie Leppert of Skillman, NJ – were chosen from an applicant pool of very accomplished young women. From raising funds for community members and organizations, to donating their time and talent to local and international nonprofits and mentoring peers and children in their communities, these talented young women are impressive and motivated.

“As women volunteers ourselves, we are thrilled to see that young women are beginning their volunteer careers earlier than ever. These students, in addition to excelling in many areas, have taken the time to make a difference in the lives of others. It’s very inspirational,” said Lauren Sgro, Community Vice President.

In April, the League also congratulated recipients of the organization’s Community Grants program, including Millhill Child & Family Development, Community Action Service Center dba Rise, Victory Christian Family Worship Ministries Inc., and Young Scholars Institute. These four organizations received grants ranging from $500-$2300. Grants must be used to help support nonprofit organizations located in the Junior League’s service area. Representatives of each organization received their grants April 15th.

According to Catherine Calvert, Chair of the Grants and Scholarships Program, “This year we had excellent programs from which to choose, all deserving of an award. We are very excited about the four programs and organizations supported by these grants and look forward to following their success in the coming year.”

Millhill Child & Family Development will use its grant for the “STEM Ready!” Preschool Literacy program to purchase science, technology, engineering, and math books, games and science kits.  The Rise grant will be used to support the Rise Summer Enrichment Program - a 6 week program that offer up to 125 students in grades K-8 the opportunity to develop their math, art, reading, science and language arts skills and strengthen their social skills. Victory Christian Family Worship Ministries grant will support “The Cost of Life 4 Teen Moms” program. This program will help train and teach young mothers about personal budgeting, timely bill paying, establishing good credit, banking, paying for an apartment, paying for quality child care, car purchasing, the value of insurance, financial job readiness and financing college or technical school education. These lessons will be taught through real world examples and interactive type lessons with small groups, personal in home interviews, homework to assist learning, peer-to-peer discussions and on-site visits to commercial locations. Finally, the Young Scholars Institute will use its grant for their Summer Enrichment Program, a six-week summer academic enrichment program that provides Trenton-area pre-school, elementary and middle school students (Pre-K through 8) with a unique and exciting summer learning experience. Students spend their morning improving their reading, writing, math and science skills and their afternoons are reserved for cultural exposure and a variety of recreational activities.

The Junior League of Greater Princeton is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women, and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. The Junior League of Greater Princeton focuses its efforts on the needs of women and children in Mercer and Bucks counties as well as the surrounding areas. Women over the age of 21, committed to voluntarism, regardless of race, religion or national origin are welcome as members. The Junior League of Greater Princeton is part of the Association of Junior Leagues International, which includes 293 Junior Leagues in the United States, Canada, Mexico and Great Britain. For more information please visit [www.jlgp.org](file:///C:\Users\Owner\Downloads\www.jlgp.org).