AUGUST 2021



COMMUNITY IMPACT REPORT



Building Better Communities

September is Hunger Action Month and according to the Virginia Department of Social Services, Virginia's food insecurity rose to more than one in five people during the pandemic. JNLV is committed to addressing food insecurity within our community through both grants and volunteer hours. In August, JLNV members volunteered 59 hours, plus gardened, gleaned, sorted and distributed food to address local food insecurity alongside multiple community partners.

Community Partner Spotlight: Main Street Child Development Center Since 1973, Main Street has served preschool and elementary school age children, providing secure, stable and safe early childhood education. Main Street serves primarily low-income families, with more than 70%

speaking a language other than English at home. JNLV began supporting Main Street in 2019 through Kids in the Kitchen and last year exapnding to include Physical Activity programming.

Kids in the Kitchen and

Physical Activity

Bringing together healthy eating and physical activity, Kids in the Kitchen and Physical Activity jointly:

- Volunteered 8 hours with Main Street, teaching 5 students about hydration and playing Fish in the River.
- Volunteered 10 hours with Tysons-Pimmit Regional Library, teaching 13 kids about hydration and playing Fish in the River.
- Volunteered 8 hours with Lorton Community Action Center, teaching 8 kids about energy and making Power Balls.
- JNLV members volunteered an additional 2 hours by delivering resources to community partners.

Food Access

- Volunteered 12.5 hours distributing food at CIS Mobile Market, serving more than 1,000 people, including 471 children.
- Volunteered 18 hours with JK Farms harvesting and bagging 2,244.8 pounds of 5 varieties of peppers.
- Volunteered 12 hours with AFAC Warehouse to bag and sort 350 bags of oats and 450 bags of beans.
- Volunteered 16 hours of gardening with Arcadia Farms.
- Donated 437 pounds of food and assembled 124 packs, (see more on page 2).



GTON FOOD ASSISTANC



Year-to-Date Stats

In the first three months of the League year, members have worked with 11 different community partners to implement KITK and PA programming, donate food and support the community.



Volunteer Hours

In August, Junior League members donated 119.5 hours to 9 community partners.

- Hours pledged: 880
- Hours completed: 319.5







Grants

JLNV granted 300 hours this year to 5 organizations and has completed 90 hours to date.

We have volunteer hours on the calendar with all 5 of our 2021-2022 grantees, including JK Farms, Lorton Community Action Center, Falls Church/McLean Children's Center, Girls on the Run, and Arcadia!





Upcoming

Register now on Digital Cheetah to support our community partners through in-person and virtual volunteer opportunities. New opportunities are added each month, so check back often.



B likes northernva This past Saturday, several of our Leagu embers pitched in at JK Community Farm (along wi ome other groups) to harvest and bag more than 2, jounds of peppers (banana peppers, bell peppers,

Kudos for your hard work and dedication to #foodaccess in the Northern Virginia community. #BetterTogether #jlnv

Thank You

During the September GMM, JNLV members completed the year's first "Done in a Meeting".

437 pounds of food were donated by JNLV members and 124 packs were assembled to be distributed locally:

30 packs - Latina Sci Girls for their fall cohort 94 packs - Hunter Woods Elementary School 5 pounds of extra Chef Boyardee - AFAC for the Food Drive with JLNV on September 25