

JUNIOR LEAGUE OF LUFKIN

OUR VIEW

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Rummage sale

Community Spotlight

The Second Chance Rummage Sale was once again a success! It was held at the Pitser Garrison Civic Center the 2nd weekend of November. This annual fundraiser that started in 2015, strives to meet the mission of The Junior League of Lufkin, by providing much needed items at reduced prices to the community. That mission is furthered by providing thousands of dollars in cash vouchers to other community organizations that serve woman and children in Angelina County. These vouchers allow recipients to purchase \$30 worth of items at no cost to them. The community organizations that receive vouchers each year are The Family Crisis Center, Mantooth House, Godtel, Mosaic Center, and Buckner. This year, we were proud to add an additional organization, Seasons of Hope, to the list of recipients.

Some changes were made to Rummage sale this year. The sale had historically been a 2-day sale. This year it was decided that instead we would do a one day sale on Saturday, with a pre-sale Friday evening for voucher recipients only. This is something I really wanted to make happen. The hope was to provide voucher recipients a stress free time to shop prior to the general public. This was a time for them to find household goods for a new home, toys or clothes for their children, gifts for family members, and everything in between. We had a good turnout of voucher holders on Friday, and they were all very thankful to have the early access to the sale!

Our committee worked tirelessly to make this sale a success, but we could not have done it without help from league members, sustainers, volunteers, and local businesses who donated items or time to further the cause.

All proceeds from the sale are used to support Junior League of Lufkin community projects such as, Back to School Bonanza, Living on the Edge, and Camp Get Fit/Kids in the Kitchen. Additionally, any items not sold were donated to The Salvation Army, local schools "Kids Closets", and Just Kiddin' Around.

The Second Chance Rummage Sale is a program that aligns perfectly with our mission. It is truly rewarding to hear stories from community members who are excited to be using their voucher to help furnish their 1st home. My mission moment was speaking to a woman who was shopping with a friend. She was a voucher recipient in previous years, and is now bringing friends who receive vouchers to the sale. We are truly helping to empower these woman, to succeed in reaching their goals. I can only hope in the future we can continue to add to the number of organizations that receive vouchers, and that our rummage sale grows and helps raise more money to fund our many community projects.

Crissy Garrett

Rummage Sale Chair, 2022

LITTLE BLACK DRESS

Community Spotlight



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LITTLE BLACK DRESS

Community Spotlight

This year the Junior League of Lufkin presented the 8th annual Little Black Dress Initiative. The vision of JLL is to enhance the lives of women and children. Little Black Dress Initiative is a week-long fundraiser that uses social media to educate our community about poverty in our community. Little Black Dress participants wear the same black dress, or campaign t-shirt, for five consecutive days to illustrate the restrictions placed on family choices, opportunities, access to resources, and your confidence. With almost 20% of Angelina County residents living below the poverty level, it is critical that we strive to serve those in need.

Each day throughout our campaign the league will posted statistics from these restrictions, as well as recognize several of our proud donors that support this initiative. The funds generated from this event allow the Junior League of Lufkin to sponsor events such as our poverty simulation and offer vouchers for families to shop at our Annual Rummage sale. Although our event is shown through a single week, it takes several weeks of hard work generating funds and contacting potential donors to make the initiative a success.

The 2022 event ran from September 19 to September 23. Thanks to our generous donors we raised \$14,397.46 for the 2022 Little Black Dress Initiative. The Little Black Dress Initiative was presented by Brookshire Brothers, along with several other donations received from community businesses and individuals, as well as Junior League Lufkin member.

This is a week-long event where the committee members go around Angelina County and collect donations. The committee is greatly appreciated as they often take a few days off work to visit with these businesses during office hours to make it success. As a thank you to the businesses, we then post pictures for those that donate. We try to secure these donations in the few weeks leading up to the event.

Then the week of is busy with continuous communication between the LBDI committee, finance team, and communications team. We have to verify all donations are collected and accounted for, then each donor has a post to our Facebook page.



Breanna Murphy

Little Black Dress Chair, 2022

Cottage Meetings



Cottage Meetings



"This January our league members were able to attend Cottage Meetings hosted by our gracious sustainers. For our members, this is one of their favorite meetings of the year. We have a generous group of Junior League of Lufkin Sustainers that open their home for an evening of laughter, conversation and fellowship. We greatly appreciate the support our sustainers provide to our league. "

**Alexis Pigg
JLL President**



Christmas Social



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"During the holiday season, our league celebrated with a Christmas Social. This event is hosted by a committee of our sustainers at The Museum of East Texas. This is one of our events that brings active members and sustainers together to celebrate the accomplishments of the JLL and encourage each other in service of our community. "

Alexis Pigg
JLL President



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