



Dear Community Member,

Dress for Change (formerly known as the Little Black Dress Initiative) is an advocacy and fundraising campaign that seeks to illustrate the restrictions poverty places on choices, opportunities, and access to resources. Dress for Change week will be held April 20-24, 2026. During this week, Junior League of Topeka and community members who have signed up to be advocates will wear the same black dress or outfit for five consecutive days to illustrate the effects poverty can have on a woman's access to resources, her confidence, and her health and wellness. By wearing a button that reads, "Ask me about my outfit," advocates will invite and welcome dialogue among colleagues, friends, and strangers to raise awareness about poverty and its impact on women's health.

This year, the Junior League of Topeka's Dress for Change campaign will focus on our issue area of women's health, which we believe is vitally important to the well-being of our community. All funds raised directly support the mission and issue area of the Junior League of Topeka. This impacts and creates funding for community partners, projects, and programs, as well as training opportunities and leadership development for members. As a League, we are committed to collaborating with existing local organizations who support our issue area and invite you to become a sponsor of the 2026 Dress for Change campaign. Please review the enclosed sponsorship packet and join us in making a difference in the community. For more information, please contact our Dress for Change Coordinator or our Funding Initiatives Coordinator. If you are ready to commit, you may either use the sponsorship form enclosed or visit <https://givebutter.com/DFC2026> to make your donation. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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ABOUT THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF TOPEKA

Our Mission

Founded in 1937, the Junior League of Topeka is an organization of women whose mission is to advance women's leadership for meaningful community impact through volunteer action, collaboration, and training. cultivates leaders who collectively address the critical needs in our community. By empowering women and providing valuable leadership training, we are giving local women the tools to get involved, put their talents to work, and positively impact the communities of Shawnee County.

Issue Area

Currently, the Junior League of Topeka's issue area is Women's Health. This year, the Junior League of Topeka plans to expand our period pack donations by working with community partners to determine where support is most needed. In recent years, the Junior League of Topeka has donated over 100,000 period and hygiene supplies to KVC, Astra Mental Health and Recovery, Moving Ahead Partnership, Silverbackks, the YWCA Center for Safety and Empowerment and the Topeka Rescue Mission.

The Junior League of Topeka has established and collaborated with many organizations and projects that help support those affected by generational poverty including:

- CASA
- Colgate Dental Van
- Habitat for Humanity: Women Build
- Kansas Action for Children
- Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library
- Project Topeka
- Race Against Breast Cancer
- The Diaper Depot
- Topeka Rescue Mission
- YWCA Center for Safety & Empowerment

To learn more about the Junior League of Topeka, visit topeka.jl.org.





Become a Sponsor

\$2,500+

Champion

- Recognition in a thank-you post on Junior League of Topeka's social media pages
- Recognition on Junior League of Topeka's website
- Recognition in Junior League of Topeka's eblasts for the entire year
- Recognition in all media interviews
- Invitation for six individuals to the Dress For Change Wrap-up Event*
- Invited to attend one General Membership Meeting to tell us about your business/organization

\$1,500

Hope Giver

- Recognition in a thank-you post on Junior League of Topeka's social media pages
- Recognition on Junior League of Topeka's website
- Recognition in Junior League of Topeka's eblasts for six months
- Invitation for four individuals to the Dress For Change Wrap-up Event*

\$1,000

Advocate

- Recognition in a thank-you post on Junior League of Topeka's social media pages
- Recognition on Junior League of Topeka's website
- Recognition in Junior League of Topeka's eblasts for three months
- Invitation for two individuals to the Dress For Change Wrap-up Event

\$750

Community Builder

- Recognition in a thank-you post on Junior League of Topeka's social media pages
- Recognition on Junior League of Topeka's website
- Recognition in Junior League of Topeka's eblasts for one month
- Invitation for two individuals to the Dress For Change Wrap-up Event

\$500

Supporter

- Recognition in a group thank-you post on Junior League of Topeka's social media pages
- Recognition on Junior League of Topeka's website
- Recognition in one Junior League of Topeka eblast
- Invitation for two individuals to the Dress For Change Wrap-up Event

**In lieu of attending the Wrap-Up Event, you can opt to have your sponsorship include 1 (Hope Giver) or 2 (Champion) Junior League of Topeka membership dues.*

Thank you! Remember no donation is too small!

Junior League of Topeka is a 501(c)3 non-profit. Tax ID 48-0639979
Contributions are tax deductible as allowed by law.





Become a Sponsor

To become a Dress For Change Sponsor, please complete the form below.

Yes! I/We will support the Junior League of Topeka's
Dress For Change at the following level:

- Champion - \$2,500+
- Hope Giver - \$1,500
- Advocate - \$1,000
- Community Builder - \$750
- Supporter - \$500

Company/Individual Name:

Contact Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Email:

Payment Details:

Online Platform Check / Cash Credit Card Please send invoice

Fundraiser Online Platform - <https://givebutter.com/DFC2026>

Credit Card #:

Expiration Date:

CVV Code:

If necessary, form and payment can be mailed to:

Junior League of Topeka

5889 SW 29th Street

Topeka, KS 66614

For questions: Please reach out to dressforchange@jltopeka.org

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