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JUNIOR LEAGUE OF WINSTON -SALEM MAKING AN IMPACT

Winston-Salem, NC – The Junior League of Winston-Salem (JLWS) dedicated August 25, 2007 “Community Impact Day”, a day for JLWS volunteers to come together to make a significant impact in the Winston-Salem community and the start of the League’s 85th year in Winston-Salem. Over eighty JLWS women plus their friends and families worked throughout the day at both The Children’s Home and at La Dears Crest’s Annual Community Day. While at The Children’s Home, JLWS volunteers cleaned, painted, and landscaped a building that had not been used in over ten years due to severe disrepair. Future plans for this building include use as a space for training and educational workshops for children and families. While at La Dears Crest, JLWS volunteers partnered with *Communities in Schools* to distribute school supplies for students in the area. Additionally, the volunteers helped to cook and serve dinner to hundreds of families.

“This highlights what the Junior League of Winston-Salem has contributed for almost 85 years: building a better community through the effective leadership of trained volunteers,” said Allison Reaves, JLWS President. “We’re thankful to our supports and members for helping us grow healthy futures for children, adults, and families,” said Linda Coleman, Volunteer Coordinator for The Children’s Home.

“The La Deara Crest event was a great opportunity to see the number of community organizations that come together to support the growth and well-being of the children of the community. It is powerful to see what an impact these collaborations have on the children’s lives,” said Deirdre Ragan, a JLWS volunteer.

The Junior League of Winston-Salem, Inc. is an organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Its purpose is exclusively educational and charitable.

With well over 1000 members, the Junior League of Winston-Salem has helped to inspire and to establish vital Winston-Salem- based community organizations and events, including the Arts Council, Children's Museum of Winston-Salem, Ronald McDonald House, SciWorks, Komen North Carolina Race for the Cure, and READ TO ME and BOOKMARKS Festivals. More information on the Junior League of Winston-Salem can be found at www.jlws.org.

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