

Sustainer of the Year Award Guidelines

More than 100 years ago, Mary Harriman, founder of the Junior League Movement and public service pioneer recognized the need for a new model of leadership – one that emphasized collaboration over competition. Through her work in countless organizations and her numerous personal connections, Harriman transformed the way women of her generation viewed their obligation to society, and played a pivotal role as a social connector bringing diverse groups and individuals together to form collaborative partnerships that have survived to this day.

Annually, the Junior League of Shreveport-Bossier recognizes a woman of outstanding leadership who uses her talents and resources to further The Junior League Movement and Vision with the Sustainer of the Year Award. The recipient of the award has made a positive impact in the JLSB and our community, and her volunteer work continues in the tradition of Mary Harriman. This woman should be a knowledgeable and responsible advocate, leader, and mentor who embraces Shreveport-Bossier and makes a unique and significant difference as a leader. The honoree provides a contemporary link to our founder's sense of social responsibility, as well as her ability to encourage others to share their talents through effective volunteer service.

When making your nomination, please consider the following criteria:

- Sponsor and Nominee must both be current Sustainers, in good standing, of the JLSB. Posthumous nominations will be accepted.
- Nominee demonstrates excellence in community service and volunteers without compensation.
- Nominee encourages others to participate in community service activities.
- Nominee works with and organizes groups to produce high quality results in support of a common goal.
- Nominee's service may include, but is not limited to, the areas of arts and humanities, education, environment, healthcare, human services, public safety or youth services. The service must not be work-related.
- Members of the selection committee cannot be considered as nominees.

Application Questions

Short Answers (300 word limit for each question)

Describe:

- The most significant and lasting contributions she has given to the League and to the community
- Which community issues she has addressed
- How has she influenced others to be a force for change, impact or lead by example
- How has she demonstrated herself to be a role model, mentor, catalyst and risk-taker

Supporting Materials

Attach:

- A listing of the nominee's significant awards, League placements, and volunteer, community and civic activities (Example: C.V. or resume, if available. If needed, a template will be provided.)
- No more than two (2) letters of recommendation.

Please note:

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applications will not be retained for future consideration.