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The Junior League of Charlotte, Inc. to host Virtual Statewide Summit

Charlotte, N.C. (March 4, 2022) - The Junior League of Charlotte, Inc. (JLC), along with 12 other North Carolina Junior Leagues, is excited to host the virtual Statewide Conversation on Inequities - 2022 Edition on Saturday, March 5. The summit will bring together a diverse panel of experts, legislators and front-line professionals around our state discussing the urban-rural divide and its impact on childhood education. The summit will also cover domestic violence and its impact on childhood education. The speaker lineup includes Dr. Sonny Kelly; Teach for America's Dr. Monique Perry-Graves; Representatives Ashton Clemmons, Brandon Lofton, and Donna White; District Court Judges Carrie Vickery and Rickye McKoy-Mitchell; founder and CEO of HarvestBeam, Inc., Jessica Zufolo; and others on the frontline of education in North Carolina.

"At its core, the Junior League is about connecting and empowering women to change their community. This event will do just that. We are bringing together a powerful group of education professionals and policy leaders to equip our members with knowledge and tools they can use to advocate for children across our state. For more than 96 years, the Junior League of Charlotte has been a positive force for change by helping women advance their leadership to take on challenges facing our Charlotte community. We are pleased to partner with our sister Leagues across our state to host this inspiring forum," says Kellie Lofton, President of the Junior League of Charlotte.

The virtual Statewide Conversation on Inequities will take place from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 5. The summit is also partnering with Feeding the Carolinas to create a [virtual food drive](#) to support communities in need across North Carolina. While this event is only open to members of North Carolina Junior Leagues, anyone may donate to the food drive.

About the Junior League of Charlotte, Inc.

The Junior League of Charlotte, Inc. (JLC) is an organization of women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving the community. Through its actions and the leadership of trained volunteers, the JLC has been a leading force in improving the lives of children and families. Since 1926, the JLC has donated over \$13.7 million dollars in grants and special projects and more than 1.6 million hours of volunteer service to the greater Charlotte community. Between the Charlotte Nature Museum, Discovery Place, the Levine Children's Hospital Family Resource Center, and more, the

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League has left a legacy of service, dedication and compassion. Projects currently supported by the JLC include: Alexander Youth Network, Bright Blessings, Center for Community Transitions, Charlotte Bilingual Preschool, Charlotte Speech & Hearing Center, Classroom Central, Digi-bridge, Done In A Day, Heart Math Tutoring, Renaissance West Community Initiative, Sugar Creek Charter School and Thompson Child and Family Focus. For additional information, call [\(704\) 375-5993](tel:(704)375-5993) or visit www.jlcharlotte.org. You can also follow us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#).

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