

THE LEAGUE CLUB

COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY

Annual Report

May 1, 2020-April 30, 2021

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The League Club, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization of women in Southwest Florida strengthening communities through fellowship, education, volunteerism and philanthropy.



WE DID THIS TOGETHER - 2020-2021

Let us celebrate all the accomplishments of our organization this year in such an unprecedented time:

- We responded to the needs of our community during the COVID 19 pandemic by donating Emergency Funds of \$10,000 to Collier Comes Together - Coronavirus Relief Fund.
- We organized a Member Challenge which raised \$38,444 to respond to the community's need for food. These funds were split equally between Harry Chapin Food Bank and St. Matthew's Pantry.
- Community Involvement Committee focused this year's grants on projects which addressed basic humanitarian needs such as food, healthcare, education and emergency shelter as a result of the pandemic and massive economic disruption. Major adjustments to the CIC process enabled us to perform site visits and meet as a committee in ways that were both safe and highly effective. Most importantly, we were able to grant \$352,569 to 23 very worthy agencies. This makes the total amount of grants given in our 34 years \$5,402,105.
- Done in a Day collected \$2,870 in gift cards and donations for Salvation Army's Toys for Tots in December; organized the Third Thursday Food Drive from November through March for St. Matthew's House, Catholic Charities, Shelter for Abused Women and Children, Harry Chapin Food Bank, St. Vincent de Paul; served as hosts at Gulfshore Playhouse; sorted clothes for Eva's Closet; and had a virtual supplies drive raising \$2,700 for Alliance for Period Supplies.
- Naples Tables "Serving Our Community in Its Time of Need" was a great success as it shifted to a donation and virtual event raising over \$450,000 for next year's grants.
- We had 166 join our Circle of Friends for a total donation of \$387,147.
- Development raised \$34,000 through partnerships with FineMark Bank & Trust, John R. Wood Properties, JP Morgan Chase & Co., The *minor* League, Truist Bank, Moorings Park Communities, WAVV Radio 101.2, Florida Gulf Coast University, Naples Illustrated and Florida Design Naples Edition.
- We watched our Endowment grow to \$286,329.27 with our newly selected investment manager and donations from our members and businesses Kendra Scott Jewelry and J. McLaughlin.
- We added new technology to maintain communication with our membership: Zoom meetings, videos maintained on our private account on Vimeo, and Eblasts through Mailchimp. We developed a secure web site to complete the CIC process online and house CIC historical information and documents. We continue to redesign our website to meet the ever-changing needs of our organization.
- Communications developed a comprehensive Communications Policy and introduced the QR Code in our spring newsletter. Our Media Team created a well-received video: "From Our Tables to Yours" which was viewed by both our members and the general public. They also created the commemorative book *Naples Tables: A Celebration of Style, Food and Fun*. Our followers on Instagram continued to grow.
- We changed our Bylaws to address web-based interactive conferencing.
- We shifted our General Membership Meetings to online utilizing Zoom: Nov – Annual Meeting/Early History of Naples; January – The Impact of Covid on Business in Naples; February – The Impact of Covid on Our Nonprofits; April – Annual Meeting. Our Area Meetings were well attended in the Breakout Rooms of Zoom.
- We welcomed 21 new members and 1 reinstated member bringing our membership total to 596. We hosted two online orientations for new members.
- We appreciated the support of President Rik Lewis and members of The *minor* League.
- We added two new Interest Groups – Just Plain Friendship Building and Films with Friends.
- We grieved the passing of Founder Daphne Denby and members Linda Fitzhugh, Dee Page, and Sara Vancura.

Although we were limited in meeting in person this year, we can look back at all our successes through our ability to adapt to the challenges presented and celebrate our "Commitment to Community." We could not have done this without the dedication of our membership. Without a doubt, We Did This Together.

Maria Lane Arends,
President 2020-2021

Statement of Financial Position

As of April 30, 2021

ASSETS

Checking/Savings	\$784,885.24
Prepaid Expenses	14,925.00
Fixed Assets	418.00
Endowment Fund	286,329.27

TOTAL ASSETS **\$1,086,557.51**

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

Total Liabilities	\$152,183.25
Total Equity	934,374.26

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FUNDRAISING EVENTS

Fundraising Events began immediately once our year started in May 2020 with our Member Challenge which raised \$38,444. These funds were donated to Harry Chapin Food Bank and St. Matthew's Pantry. Naples Tables 2021 was a smashing success! Thanks to our generous membership and sponsors we raised \$452,609. We accomplished the impossible! Although we did not have any in person gathering, we could all view the beautiful video of gorgeous table designs and flower arrangements created by our own local designers. It was such a treat! Circle of Friends members also received a custom designed book which highlighted tablescapes from the past two events. The video and the book helped to keep the spirit of Naples Tables alive and in our hearts. We look forward to "The Goodness of Gathering," March 2, 2022. As we closed out our year, many of our members included donations with their dues payments. Thus, the total amount Fundraising Events raised this year from the Member Challenge, Naples Tables 2021, and Member Donations & Gifts is \$491,053.46. Thank you for your generosity.

Respectfully submitted by:
Denise Hadley
VP Fundraising



2021 NAPLES TABLES VIDEO CONTRIBUTORS

A. Jaron Fine Jewelry
Garden District
Jett Thompson HOME
Judith Liegeois Designs
Kaleigh Grover, Naples Publications
Patina Collection & Design
Wilfredo Emanuel Designs
Bunny Williams

NAPLES TABLES CORPORATE SPONSORS 2021

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WAVV 101.FM

Silver Sponsor

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Media Sponsors

Naples Illustrated and Florida Design, Naples Edition





The League Club's Community Involvement Committee trains club volunteers to undertake a rigorous process of evaluating every agency. This ensures that grants are awarded to agencies which represent a strategic investment in the community.

This year, The League Club grants addressed crucial recovery needs due to the severe at-risk impact of the COVID-19 crisis. For this year only, special consideration was given to projects which address basic humanitarian needs such as food, healthcare, education and emergency shelter as a result of the pandemic and massive economic disruption.

2021 GRANT RECIPIENTS

Alliance for Period Supplies of SWFL
Baby Basics of Collier County, Inc.
Blessings in a Backpack SWFL
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Venice, Inc.
Collier Health Services, Inc./Sr. Veronica Fund
Collier Senior Resources
Community Cooperative Inc.
Guadalupe Center, Inc.
Guardian ad Litem Foundation, 20th Judicial Circuit, Inc.
Harry Chapin Food Bank of SWFL
Meals of Hope
NAMI Collier County, Inc.
Naples Senior Center at JFCS, Inc.
New Horizons of Southwest Florida
Pace Center for Girls, Inc.
Parkinson Association of Southwest Florida
Partners for Breast Cancer Care, Inc.
Physician Led Access Network of Collier County (PLAN)
Redlands Christian Migrant Association
St. Matthew's House
St. Vincent de Paul Society, Naples District Council, Inc.
The Naples Players, Inc.
Valerie's House, Inc.

CIC proudly distributed \$352,569 to these nonprofits. In addition, The League Club dispersed an emergency grant of \$10,000 to "Collier Comes Together COVID 19 Relief Fund" and the Member Challenge grants of \$19,222 to both Harry Chapin Food Bank and St. Matthews. Our total grants distributed this year is \$401,013.



2020 - 2021

Platinum

Liz Reid
Sandy Snyder

Diamond

Marilyn Bartter
Laurie Champion
Charlotte Clarke
Bo Maher
Anne D. Thomas

Emerald

Deborah Brittain
Nancy Campbell
Charlotte Corddy
Susan Enlow
Lynne Haarlow
Christine Haney
Patti Hepburn
Maria Lane Arends
Tricia Leipzig
Jeanne McCarthy
Marilyn Patrick
Gail Steinmetz
Andrea Stewart
Ann Westerfield
Anonymous

Ruby

Charlene Barnette
Betsy Barton
Sue Benson
Jane Borchers
Jan Brenneman
Marcia Carthaus
Patty Cullinan
Maryanne Dignan
Beth Eckert
Polly Higgins
Claire Hopkins
Donna Loomis
Karen Lutz
Melissa McClayton
Sandy Morse
Anne Nagan

Donna Nelson
Kathy Peterson
Jane Stone
Wendy Watkins
Marge Weaver
Paula Whitelaw
Liz Winebrenner
Mary Ann Zink

Sapphire

Achnacarry
Foundation--
Lenore Cameron
Carolyn Auman
Penny Austin
Bette Aymar
Dusti Beaubien
Jean Boland
Susan Brock
Betty Busey
Linda Cleveland
Trig Cooley
Nancy Cusick
Nicki Douglas
Mugs Dunn
Hilda Emerson
Susie Estabrook
Louise Friedlander
Connie Fuller
Carol Fullerton
Connie Godley
Gale Guild
Denise Hadley
JoAnn Henneman
Sue Hester
Faye Heston
Christina Inslee
Mary Beth Johns
Mary Beth Jones
Jane Kelly
Nancy Kern
Bobbie Kunkler
Sally Kuralt
Kathy Layden
Barbara Ledinsky
Joan Lewis
Mary Beth Leytze

Wendy Lord
Geri McCarthy
Cathy McCourt
Weezie Morris
Kim Olson
Kathryn Rieger
Melody Sawyer-
Richardson
Peggy Schuemann
Pam Sibcy
Gigi Stewart
Linda Stikeleather
Jett Thompson
Sandy Vasey
Peggy Vogelsinger
Julie Wade
Susy Warren
Nina Webber
Julie Whittaker

Pearl

KathleenAlexander
Karen Anderson
Jane Arbuthnot
Deirdre Benson
Bunny Brooks
Darleen Cors
Betty Cronin
Lisa Crowder
Judy Dawes
Sandy Dubberley
Judy Eissner
Julie Farah
Martha Ferguson
Gina Finch
Cici Freeburg
Pat Frey
Margaret Friss
Diane Friscaro
Alice Gardner
Carol Georgieff
Kathi Glass
Ronda Hill
Nancy Hughes
Penny Isermann
Joan Janssen

Mary Ann Jenkins
Joanie Johnson
Kathy Johnson
Sarah Johnson
Gwen Kade
Colleen Kaminski
Sally Kellogg
Suzie Kountz
Gale Kroeger
Christine Kruman
Lucy Kuhne
Susan Lamberson
Suzie Lount
Tricia Mahon
Kathy Mahoney
Dee McClay
Paula McNulty
Lee Mehnert
Pixie Messey
Sherry Mills
Connie Mockenhaupt
Dianne Murray
Ann Nerad
Lauree Personette
Sonia Pierson
Annalinda Ragazzo
Sara Rawson
Lynn Rollins
Barbara Schroeder
Michele Seass
Joan Shipman
Nance Siewert
Julianne Smith
Mary Lou Swartz
Marilyn Taylor
Nancy Taylor
Vicki Tullis
Heidi Varsames
Sara Werder
Anne Wetzel
Janice Wilson
Lois Ziegler

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COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY

Leadership

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President	Maria Lane Arends
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THE *minor* LEAGUE 2020-21

President	Rik Lewis
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INTEREST GROUPS 2020-21

American/Modern Canasta ...	Joanna Magel
Art Appreciation	Kristine Meek
Book Discussion	Lynne Nordhoff
Films with Friends	Sara Werder
Food & Wine	Jane Stone
Food & Wine Encore	Kathy Layden Barb Ledinsky Liz Winebrenner
Food & Wine Trois	Mugs Dunn/Joan Lewis
Food & Wine, Etc.	Joanna Magel
Footloose & Fancy Free	Susie Estabrook Kathi Glass
Gastronomical Adventures	Ann Dietz/Sara Rawson
Interior Design	Margaret Friis
Investment Group	Mary Beth Johns Jana Thomas
It's a Stitch	Linda Markarian
Just Plain Friendship	Penny Marziali Nancy Zwiener
Mah Jongg	Susan Mainwaring
Monday Bridge	Roz Jureller
Pickleball	Sally Kellogg



Food & Wine, Etc.

Joint Board Meeting - April 2021

