



# JUNIOR LEAGUE BIRMINGHAM

## Frequently Asked Questions about joining the Junior League of Birmingham

- 1. Do my Sponsors need to be Members of the JLB or can they be Members of any Junior League?**  
*Sponsors will need to be Active or Sustaining Members specifically of the Junior League of Birmingham.*
- 2. When you say that one of my two (2) Sponsors needs to be an “Active” and one a “Sustainer”, what does that mean?**  
*An “Active” Member is one who is currently in good standing and volunteering their time and talents within the JLB.  
A “Sustaining” Member is one who has given ten (10) years of Active service and is in good standing. Please note, a Member who is currently in their Provisional Year or who is on Restricted Status is not eligible to be a Sponsor.*
- 3. I am new to Birmingham, and I don’t know anyone that is a Member of the JLB. How do I find Sponsors?**  
*The League encourages prospective members to find their sponsors by asking around at your workplace or networking events, place of worship, gym, alumni events, etc. You can also find members via our various social media outlets. If you are unable to find sponsors after due diligence, please reach out to the Admissions Team.*
- 4. What is the age criteria for Membership into the JLB?**  
*In order to join the Provisional Class for 2024-2025, you must be at least 23 years of age by September 1, 2024.*
- 5. I was an Active member of another League and have recently moved to Birmingham. Do I need to restart my Provisional year in order to become a Member of the JLB?**  
*In most cases, if you have completed your Provisional Year at another Junior League, you can Transfer your Membership. In order to Transfer your Membership, you must contact your current League and ask them to Transfer your Membership to the JLB, via the AJLI (Association of Junior Leagues International) e-Transfer system. You can also reach out to Meg Lovett, our Membership VP ([membershipvp@jlbonline.com](mailto:membershipvp@jlbonline.com)) or Stacey Ramsay, our Member Liaison ([memberliaison@jlbonline.com](mailto:memberliaison@jlbonline.com)) for assistance with the Transfer process.  
  
*When following up, please have the information below readily available:*
  - Name, Local Birmingham Address and Phone Number
  - Email Address
  - AJLI Number
  - Your Current Status (Active, Provisional, Sustainer)*
- 6. Where do I go to pay the Application Fee, complete the Application and have my Sponsors complete the Sponsor Form?**  
*Visit: [www.jlbonline.com/join](http://www.jlbonline.com/join) – All forms are located on the website with links to complete them. If you are having trouble, do not hesitate to contact the Admissions Team: [admissions@jlbonline.com](mailto:admissions@jlbonline.com). You may also submit your application and fee following a Candidate Information Session.*
- 7. Define “Provisional” at the JLB:**  
*Provisional Members are those Members who are engaged in training established by the League to prepare them for effective community and League involvement. Provisional Members are not eligible to vote, hold office, or Sponsor a candidate for Membership.*



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### 8. What are the typical Provisional Financial requirements for the JLB?

- *\$150 Annual Dues*
  - *\$130 One-Time Provisional Course Fee*
  - *\$88 Fundraising Quota (Market Noel Quota and one (1) Shop, Save and Share Card)*
  - *\$100 Little Black Dress Initiative Quota (this can be fundraised)*
- Total: \$468**

### 9. What are the typical Provisional Organizational & Community requirements for the JLB?

- *Attend Opening Retreat (Typically August)*
- *Attend Four (4) Provisional Meetings:*
  - *Two (2) in the Fall (Typically October and November)*
  - *Two (2) in the Winter/Spring (Typically February and March)*
  - *Typically the First or Last Tuesday of the month from 6 – 9 p.m.*
- *Attend Closing Session (Typically May)*
- *Complete the Provisional Mini-Project*
- *Two (2) Meeting Credits (e.g., General Membership Meetings, Member Trainings)*
- *Two (2) Credit Opportunities*
- *Three (3) 3-Hour Shiftwork Credits*
- *Register to Vote/Vote in Elections*

### 10. What are the typical Active requirements (Financial, Organizational, & Community) to maintain Membership in the JLB?

- *Annual Dues: Currently \$150*
- *Market Noel Quota: Currently \$48*
- *Little Black Dress Initiative Quota: Currently \$100*
- *Meeting Credits (e.g., General Membership Meetings, Member Trainings):*
  - *Active Years 1 – 4: Two (2) Meeting Credits*
  - *Active Years 5 – 8: One (1) Meeting Credit*
  - *Active Years 9 – 10: Not required to complete a Meeting Credit*
- *Credit Opportunities:*
  - *Active Years 1-8: Two (2) Credit Opportunities*
  - *Active Years 9 – 10: One (1) Credit Opportunity*
- *Two (2) 3-Hour Shiftwork Credits:*
  - *Active Years 1 – 4: Two (2) 3-Hour Shiftwork Credits*
  - *Active Years 5-8: One (1) 3-Hour Shiftwork Credit*
  - *Active Years 9 – 10: Zero (0) 3-Hour Shiftwork Credit*
- *One Placement Per Year: Typically, 40 hours per year*
- *Vote in Elections*



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### **11. Who do I contact if I have questions?**

*The Admissions Team is available to answer any questions that you might have. Their email address is: [admissions@jlbonline.com](mailto:admissions@jlbonline.com)*

### **12. What are important upcoming dates to remember?**

- *Application and all Pre-Requisites Due in January 2024.*