

# Fort Bend Junior Service League

*Women Making a Difference*



## 2015-2016 Annual Report

## *Together— look what we can do!*



*For 15 years, members of the FBJSL have been dedicated to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women and improving the Fort Bend community. Each year, our dedicated members contribute thousands of direct service hours throughout Fort Bend County, and we are proud to have donated over **\$3.4 million dollars** to more than 60 worthy Fort Bend County charities since our inception in 2001. We celebrated our 15th anniversary in January 2016 and are excited to share some of our milestones with you.*

*First, we celebrated our volunteers. Our wonderful accomplishments could not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of each and every one of our amazing volunteers. Our membership has grown from the original 24 charter members to 300 adult members and 100+ teens who participate in our mentoring project, the Fort Bend Teen Service League. We contributed over **20,000 service hours** and raised \$344,714 for the community. Our direct service and community outreach remains a major focus, and we supported nine core placements, local agencies serving distinct and varied needs throughout Fort Bend.*

*Second, we celebrated our partners. The 15th annual Sugar Plum Market presented by FBJSL and Memorial Hermann brought a wintery mix of snow and sparkle to the Stafford Centre Performing Arts Theatre and Convention Center, again breaking our fundraising records by raising proceeds of **\$285,000** for the Fort Bend community and the FBJSL Community Assistance Fund.*

*We ended the celebration with our final Spring Fling, as we celebrated “Hats Off to 15 Years” with A Day at the Derby. Dressed in their hats and bowties, guests enjoyed derby inspired food, live auction, raffle and other games. The Kentucky Derby-themed event raised over **\$50,000**.*

*We are successful because of our community partners and the dedication of our members. We are honored to have celebrated with you and look forward to many more years of success. On behalf of the FBJSL Board of Directors, we thank each and every one of you who has supported FBJSL throughout the years. As our community continues to grow, we hope you will continue to support us. We are excited for the years to come as we continue to grow so we can help even more organizations in Fort Bend County.*

*Dana Clement  
FBJSL President  
2015-2016*

*Laura Taylor  
FBJSL President  
2016-2017*

**FBJSL MEMBERS CONTRIBUTED OVER 20,000 VOLUNTEER HOURS AND HELPED TO RAISE \$344,714 FOR THE FORT BEND COMMUNITY IN 2015-2016!**

*Meet just a few of our members who helped us achieve these goals . . .*



**FBJSL Volunteer of the Year—Catherine Kubala**  
with her daughters and husband



**Provisional of the Year -  
Tanya Justice**  
with Stacie Janak



**Sustainer of the Year - Caron Marble**  
with Kelli Metzenthin, Laura Taylor and  
Dana Clement

# SUGAR PLUM MARKET





# Hats off to 15 Years!

FORT BEND JUNIOR SERVICE LEAGUE



SPRING FLING 2016  
A DAY AT THE DERBY



WHO WE SERVE

EAST FORT BEND



**HUMAN NEEDS  
MINISTRY, INC.**



*A core placement is a charitable organization that the FBJSL has chosen to support by providing volunteers (FBJSL members) to serve the agency on a monthly basis. A core placement must be located in Fort Bend County with services being provided to Fort Bend County residents.*

Literacy Council  
*of Fort Bend County*



*Changing Lives*

*theHoustonMuseumofnaturalscience  
at SUGAR LAND*



FORT BEND  
**RAINBOW ROOM**

*The SMART Tables and SMART Boards donated to Texana's Children's Center for Autism by FBJSL have made a huge difference to our children with an autism diagnosis because this technology is so interactive and engaging. The use of videos and interactive games have helped to enhance student learning and outcomes. These children are much more prepared to move on to a school setting since technology is more and more prominent in our public schools and they will be required to use it. The iPads donated by FBJSL have helped technician staff to collect data on each child's progress in a much more efficient and effective manner. Technicians enter data throughout the day on the progress the children are making on learning new skills and the parents are able to log in from home and see the child's progress on a daily basis. This process has saved time of our Behavior Analyst staff so they are much more efficient and has improved communication with parents and families. They are also used as reinforcers for the children as they are still a favorite reward for good work!*

*Thank you so much for donating this technology - you are helping to change lives everyday and without you Texana would not have this equipment!*

**Kate Johnson-Patagoc, Texana**

*FBJSL is . . .*

- *Transformational*
- *Changing Lives*
- *Bringing Smiles to Children's Faces*
- *Strengthening Fort Bend's Children*
- *Healing Broken Hearts*

**Ruthanne Mefford, Child Advocates of Fort Bend**

*After years of being told they are worthless and "nothing", the ladies and kids at our Shelter are greatly positively impacted by the parties and other events put on by FBJSL – it's amazing how much their self-esteem and confidence grow with each visit...Thank you SO MUCH for touching their lives!*

**Vita Goodell, Fort Bend Women's Center**

*A funny thing comes to mind here in the museum. On any day it's a treat to stand at the front door as field trip students file in. As they look up, they spot the giant shark and never fail to say, in awe and excitement, "Oh, wow! Look at THAT!". FBJSL makes it possible!*

**Adrienne Barker, HMNS at Sugar Land**

*The ladies of the League work hard and unselfishly to improve the lives of all Fort Bend County Residents. Their volunteerism supports the work that over 200 volunteer tutors per year do to change the lives of Fort Bend residents for the better. The Literacy Council of Fort Bend is proud to partner with an organization that understands the needs of our adult students.*

**Kelli Metzenthin, Literacy Council of Fort Bend**

**2015-2016  
Board of Directors**



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*Past Leaders celebrate 15 years of raising \$3.4 million for Fort Bend County*



**Thank you for supporting us!**

**Fort Bend Teen Service League - Young Women  
Making a Difference**



*And the celebration continues . . . 2016-2017  
Board of Directors*







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**FBJSL**  
ESTABLISHED 2001  
Women Making a Difference



## Membership Types

- Active
- Sustainer
- Professional
- MOPs
- New Member
- Teen League

*Visit our website to find out more!*

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*FBJSL is an organization of women committed to promoting volunteerism, developing the potential of women, and to improving the Fort Bend County community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. Our purpose is exclusively educational and charitable as well as providing an atmosphere of friendliness, goodwill and camaraderie for all members.*