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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# 82<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE AIMS TO RAISE \$100,000 TO SUPPORT 'BUILDING A HEALTHY ARIZONA'

*The Junior League of Phoenix Hosts "Arizona's Largest Indoor Garage Sale"  
on Feb. 23 at State Fairgrounds*

**PHOENIX –January, 2019** – The Junior League of Phoenix (JLP) will host its 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Rummage Sale from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019 at the Arizona State Fairgrounds. As one of the JLP's signature fundraisers, the Rummage Sale is "Arizona's Largest Garage Sale," which provides shoppers with an opportunity to purchase an array of new and gently-used items at deeply discounted prices.

The Rummage Sale is the JLP's largest fundraiser, which attracted over 3,500 shoppers and raised more than \$120,000 in 2018. The Junior League of Phoenix's more than 1,000 active, sustaining and provisional members donate and collect sale items throughout the year and contribute more than 1,800 volunteer hours to make the event possible. In its 82-year history, the Rummage Sale has raised more than \$7 million, contributing to the JLP's legacy of impact in the Phoenix area.

Thousands of items will be for sale, which regularly include: art; baby accessories and furniture; books; clothing for men, women, children and babies; collectibles; electronics; holiday items; home office supplies; housewares; furniture; kitchen and dining wares; lawn and garden supplies; sporting goods; toys and more.

"The Junior League has a long-standing tradition of making a difference in the community through the Rummage Sale," said Cherie Rankin, chair of the 2018 Rummage Sale. "Not only do customers benefit from this event by being able to purchase high-quality merchandise at greatly reduced prices, but the

entire community benefits from this event as money raised goes directly back into the community through the Junior League's signature programs.”

The Rummage Sale is divided into two sessions; the morning session is held from 8 a.m. – noon and the afternoon session is held from 1-4 p.m. Admission to the morning session is \$5 at the door, while admission to the afternoon session is free. All items are 50 percent off during the afternoon session. There is a parking fee at the Fairgrounds of \$10, cash only.

For the past 18 years, the Junior League of Phoenix Rummage Sale has provided more than 40 uninsured and underinsured women with free mammograms each year, through a grant that originated from Susan G. Komen Arizona. The free mammogram program has been supported for the past five years through the generosity of Fry's Food Stores and the Desert Cancer Foundation of Arizona.

Funds raised from the Rummage Sale help support the mission of The Junior League of Phoenix, including its community programs and leadership training programs. Current League programs are structured around the Junior League of Phoenix's focus area of "Building a Healthy Arizona" including: [ROCKETS](#)—Raising Our Children's Knowledge by Educating Through Science, a program that promotes early childhood development of science skills; [Kids in the Kitchen](#), a nutritional initiative that seeks to combat childhood obesity; and Kids Cook with Heart, a partnership with the American Heart Association that provides hands-on healthy cooking classes and nutrition and cardio vascular health education to valley youth, Ending Hunger in the Classroom, a partnership with Valley of the Sun United Way which provides 4,700 students in nine Valley schools with nutritious breakfasts and distributes Weekend Hunger Bags during the school year.

For more event details visit [jlp.org](http://jlp.org).

### **About The Junior League of Phoenix**

The Junior League of Phoenix, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization of over 1,000 women committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving the Valley of the Sun through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. For more than 80 years, the JLP has invested more than \$4.1 million in the community and contributes over 75,000 volunteer hours annually. Current League programs are structured around the Junior League of Phoenix's focus area of "Building a Healthy Arizona." For more information about The Junior League of Phoenix, please visit [jlp.org](http://jlp.org).

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