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JUNIOR LEAGUE OF POUGHKEEPSIE AWARDS TWO \$500 GRANTS

Unshattered and North East Community Center are this year's recipients.

POUGHKEEPSIE, NY, May 4, 2021 – The Junior League of Poughkeepsie is honored to award Unshattered and North East Community Center as the 2021 Community Grant recipients.

Founded by Kelly Lyndgaard, Unshattered employs women in recovery and provides pathways toward economic independence and sustained sobriety. Their team creates handbags from upcycled materials such as sets from Broadway shows, retired military uniforms, scrap from premium manufacturers, and more. An Unshattered bag is not only an extension of personal style, it's an expression of concern for social justice. Unshattered will be using their grant winnings to fund new equipment for their studio.

North East Community Center (NECC), established in 1988, has expanded over the years to become a highly-respected provider of a wide range of programs and services, addressing needs not only in Millerton and North East but also in surrounding rural towns in northeast Dutchess County. NECC is excited to fund their Latin Day Festival with their community grant earnings.

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Founded in 1919, the Junior League of Poughkeepsie is committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. The Junior League of Poughkeepsie is a volunteer organization for women interested in making an impact in their community.

The Junior League of Poughkeepsie is a member of The Association of Junior Leagues International, an organization of transformational female leaders who set bold goals, open their circles, disrupt convention and change the conversation for the betterment of civil society. Today, there are Leagues across the United States, Canada, Mexico and the United Kingdom.

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