



The annual Children's Benefit Ball is the major fund-raiser for the Junior Auxiliary of Russellville, an organization that sponsors many projects to help children and families.

For over 50 years, Junior Auxiliary has been assisting children and families by overseeing projects that directly impact child welfare, community education, scholarships, civic and cultural community involvement, and children's health.

As a direct result of the Junior Auxiliary's fund-raising efforts, we have committed to the following projects for 2020-2021 that total approximately \$51,000 plus the time of the members who are involved in the activities; which, generally amounts to more than 3,500 hours of community service annually:

Child Welfare (17% of projects budget)

- Emergency Assistance - Adopt-a-family-help family/children during extenuating circumstances- fire, illness, death
- School Clothing Emergency - meet emergency school-related needs for children.
- Stock the Closet- provide clothing to children referred by school counselors or teachers.
- Lunch Buddies-members have a school age "buddy" that they eat lunch with once at school once a month

Community Education (29% of projects budget)

- Cyclone Achiever Award - host reception for students, parents, faculty, and administration.
- TAG - fund innovative proposals submitted by teachers that directly benefit the students.
- Project School Supplies/Stuff the Bus
- ABC Words of Affirmation
- Family Literacy Night/Project Literacy
- Reward Store

Health (8% of projects budget)

- Hygiene Boxes - provide health care related products to school nurses
- Kids in Motion- educational way to teach children and families about good health and nutrition
- Food Pantry Food Drive
- Athena Project- aids at risk young ladies with confidence and self esteem

Finance (21% of projects budget)

Provide funds to the following organizations to help with community needs:

- Boys & Girls Club
- CBI Prom
- Equestrian Zone
- Joseph's House
- School Backpack Food Supply
- Teen Boxing Scholarship

Civic & Cultural (6% of projects budget)

- Fall Fest - volunteer
- Backpacks for Commodities-furnish backpacks for students for food
- Toys for Kids- donate toys at Christmas
- Dance with Oakland - provide hair, makeup, and support for the recital
- Senior Center - assist at the Senior Activity Center
- Kids Fest- providing candy for Halloween event
- Mistletoe Market- assist Boys & Girls club
- Lubilate, Concerts and Talent Night - Special Needs Music Education

Scholarship (19% of projects budget)

Provide funds to local students or activities in the following areas using pre-determined criteria:

- ATU Books Scholarship
- Marge Crabaugh Scholarship
- NAJA Scholarship
- Celebration of Excellence Scholarship
- ATU Education Scholarship
- Betty Robbins Scholarship
- UACCM Scholarship
- ATU Nursing Scholarship
- Judy Thacker Memorial Scholarship

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