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Community Project Focus Statement

The Junior League’s Sorosis Building

Preservation Fund Campaign

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Join us in preserving and enhancing the Junior League’s Sorosis Building. This historic landmark serves as a symbol of the community’s commitment to improving the lives of children and families in Lakeland.

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Wedding Garden at the Junior League’s Sorosis Building for the Junior League of Greater Lakeland. (Left to right: North Gate, Lake View and Fountain)