

# BECOME A CALSPAC DELEGATE FROM YOUR HOME LEAGUE

Since the 1930s, State Public Affairs Committees (SPAC) have been formed by Junior Leagues within a state to facilitate networking, coordinate information, research, and advocate on issues of shared-interest. SPACs identify the issues that resonate with their members and that are relevant to The Junior League Mission, and develop strategies for tackling them. This advocacy takes many forms—it can be as straightforward as building awareness and educating the public about a pressing problem, or as ambitious as sponsoring and writing a bill that ultimately becomes a law.

Each Junior League in California nominates two (2) members to serve as CalSPAC Delegates. To those who have served as a CalSPAC Delegate, is one of the Junior League's best kept secrets. CalSPAC training develops women who bring back a wealth of valuable skills to their communities and Junior Leagues.



## Skills Developed in CalSPAC

- Ability to understand and influence the legislative process through advocacy
- Public policy awareness
- Planning and implementation of a process for change
- Understanding of state concerns and how they impact individual Junior Leagues
- Collaboration, networking, compromise, and negotiation
- Communication, public speaking, group facilitation, and networking
- Persuasion, debate, questioning, clarifying,
- Summarizing, research, and writing
- Presentation before members of the legislature



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