



Impact100 Junior Awards \$7,200 Grant to Kentucky Refugee Ministries Louisville, KY (March 27, 2026) – Impact100 Junior, a student-led collective giving organization for high school girls, awarded an unrestricted grant of \$7,200 to Kentucky Refugee Ministries during a celebratory event Thursday evening at Impact100 Louisville sponsor Payne Street Bakehouse.

Impact100 Junior Executive Board member Kathryn Fuller was one of the five executive members to announce the award. She noted the thoughtful and intentional selection process behind the grant. “We award grants to nonprofits that have been vetted by our parent organization, Impact100 Louisville, and of the 20 we had to choose from, our group voted for Kentucky Refugee Ministries - a very deserving nonprofit,” she said.

John Koehlinger, Executive Director of Kentucky Area Ministries, expressed appreciation for the recognition and support. “While our families face significant challenges, philanthropy plays a crucial role in making it possible for people to obtain critically needed help. We are thrilled to have received a very generous grant from Impact100 Junior - they are truly expanding the spirit of giving in Louisville,” he said.

Founded in 2024, Impact100 Junior is a student-run collective giving initiative for girls in grades 8-12. Modeled after Impact100 Louisville, the organization introduces the next generation of women to the power of philanthropy through hands-on giving and leadership experiences.

The organization currently is comprised of 36 young women, each sponsored and matched by members of Impact100 Louisville. Each year, participants contribute \$103 (\$100 plus processing fees), pooling their donations to fund a significant Impact Grant awarded to a local nonprofit.

The Impact100 Junior Executive Board reviews applications from nonprofits that have previously been vetted by Impact100 Louisville, eliminating additional administrative burden for those organizations. Finalists are presented to the full membership, who vote to determine the grant recipient.

In addition to grantmaking, Impact100 Junior provides members with leadership opportunities and monthly service activities, helping deepen their understanding of community needs and nonprofit impact. Impact100 Junior is open to all girls in grades 8-12 in the Louisville area and will begin recruiting its next cohort in August.

About Impact100 Junior

Impact100 Junior is a Louisville-based, student-led collective giving initiative designed to empower high school girls through philanthropy, leadership, and service. By pooling their resources and voices, members make a meaningful impact on local nonprofits while gaining real-world experience in charitable giving.

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