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On Monday, January 18, 2010, The Junior League of Summit (JLS) participated in Shaping Summit Together's Martin Luther King Day of Service with a focus on teaching middle-school students about technology issues and internet safety. The event was held at the Summit Community Center with ten participants, accompanied by their parents. Each student participant created an internet safety poster, signed the "Megan's Pledge", an anti-cyberbullying initiative, and watched an i-SAFE cyberbullying video. Sergeant Thomas Rich of the Summit Police Department led an informative roundtable discussion about technology and communication issues. Poster contest winners were: Amber Carter, Evan Imegwu and Jordan McDay. The program, coordinated by JLS member, Corina Altansse, of Berkeley Heights, was a great success.

The Megan Pledge is a campaign to help stop cyberbullying among tweens and teens. It is signed and witnessed and submitted to WiredSafety's Megan Pledge volunteer team. All pledges will be recorded and entered in a database with the goal of obtaining one million signatures nationwide by year's end.

The Junior League's current project focus is "Connecting and Protecting Generation TXT: Promoting the Safe and Inventive Uses of Technology". The group is partnering with i-SAFE, the nationwide leader in Internet safety education, to educate and empower youth to make their Internet experiences safe and responsible.

The Junior League of Summit is a nonprofit, charitable and educational organization of women who are committed to promoting voluntarism, developing the potential of women and improving the community through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. For more information about the Junior League of Summit, call the League office at 908-273-7349 or visit www.jlsummit.org.