

Young Ladies' Grand Institute (YLI)

OUR HISTORY

YLI is an organization for Catholic women dedicated to the Christian principles of charity and sisterly love. It was founded in San Francisco on September 5, 1887 by three young women who were inspired to help a friend who was ill and without financial means. Our purpose is to help others in our organization, our church, and our community.

OUR ACTIONS

- *Contributing to worthy causes of our choosing in our individual communities and beyond.
- *Spiritual enrichment through activities such as retreats, Masses, prayer at meetings, and ongoing prayers members take part in throughout the year.
- *One or two business meetings a month which include time to socialize and enjoy friendships created.
- *Each year the incoming president selects a program of charitable activities that all YLI Institutes support. Past programs we have supported include Hospice, Multiple Sclerosis, Special Olympics, Guide Dogs for the Blind, Birthright, and the DARE program.
- *Support of the education of men going into the Priesthood.

OUR OFFERING TO YOU

As Catholic women, we offer you friendship, support, leadership training, and the opportunity to make a difference to those in need. Through YLI's participation in charitable projects, you will have the opportunity to promote the work of the Church while working hand in hand with other Catholic women.

Young Ladies' Grand Institute has many scholarships available to members. Scholarships are available for high school, college, and graduate study students.

We are an organization for all seasons of life. Some join just out of high school, some are "Social Security age" and many in between; but we know that: When there is a need – YLI Sisters will be there.