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HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT LADIES OF CHARITY?

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Sacred Heart Nativity Schools (SHNS) is comprised of Sacred Heart Nativity School for Boys and Our Lady of Grace School for Girls. These schools target and focus on educating low-income youth. The mission of SHNS is *“to break the cycle of poverty through education.”*

Sacred Heart Nativity School for boys and Our Lady of Grace Nativity School for girls are urban Catholic middle schools located in the Washington/Gardner neighborhood of San José, California.

In partnership with the Society of Jesus, the Diocese of San Jose and the Parish of Sacred Heart, the schools seek to lay the foundation for young women and men to succeed in college prep high school.

The Schools provide a transformative middle school education to low-income youth. As a Jesuit, faith-based middle school, SHNS serves an underserved, urban community – 100% of SHNS students are Latino and 94% qualify for free or reduced lunch.

SHNS provides a holistic education that supports the growth and development of a child intellectually, spiritually, physically and emotionally. Their educational program seeks to create youth who are architects of their own lives and contributing members of their communities.

SHNS instills in their students the Jesuit, faith based commitments beyond oneself to become women and men of competence, conscience, and compassion.

Ladies of Charity

Ladies of Charity is a
501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit organization
Tax ID. #36-4812371

Benefiting
Sacred Heart Nativity Schools, San Jose CA

Ladies of Charity was originally formed under the direction of Archbishop Edward Hanna in September 1931. There were twenty members in the original group. The organization was established at that time for the prime purpose of working with the needy in the Santa Clara Valley. The chief recipient of the group's fundraising efforts was St. Elizabeth's Day Home in San Jose operated by the Sisters of the Holy Family.

This alliance continued until June 2015 when the operators of the 108-year old school determined the need to close the school for financial reasons.

During the ensuing summer months, the existing Ladies of Charity met to deliberate the continuation of the organization. A ballot was created and circulated to the then-24 Active members. A unanimous decision was reached to 1) seek our own non-profit 501(c)(3) status; and 2) continue to fundraise to benefit education for low-income youth.

Ladies of Charity now boasts recognition as a tax-exempt non-profit organization whose mission is to raise monies to benefit education for low-income youth. We fulfill this mission by dedicating our energies for the benefit of Sacred Heart Nativity Schools in San Jose.

Ladies of Charity reaches out to women of all races, religions and national origins who demonstrate an interest in raising funds to provide education to low-income youth at Sacred Heart Nativity Schools and who have a commitment to volunteerism.

All Active Members are obliged to actively participate in and financially support any

fundraising activity as recommended by the Executive Board.

We meet the second Monday of the month from September through May. A monthly newsletter, "What's Cookin'," is sent.

Annual Dues for an Active Member is \$140, which includes cost of some lunches.

Our current Standing Committees are:
Bylaws, Communications/Newsletter,
Historian, Meeting Refreshments,
Membership, Nominating, Publicity, Roster,
Spiritual, Sunshine and Telephone Tree.

As a Catholic, nonprofit public charity organization of women, Ladies of Charity agree that each business meeting will begin with the Prayer of the Rosary/selected decades of the Rosary/a prayer.

Examples of our various fundraising activities that might occur during the year are an Annual Day of Recollection, Meet the Author, Mystery Dinner, Bocce Ball Silent Auction and Dinner, Annual Fall Luncheon and Bake Sale. We also enjoy our annual Members' Social during the Summer.

We are proud that our primary funding beneficiary is Sacred Heart Nativity Schools!

Join us!

PLEASE MAIL YOUR COMPLETED
MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM
ALONG WITH YOUR
\$140 ANNUAL DUES PAYMENT PAYABLE
TO LADIES OF CHARITY TO:

Ladies of Charity Membership
820 South Baywood Avenue
San Jose CA 95128

Ladies of Charity

MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM

NAME

ADDRESS

PHONE

CELL PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

HUSBAND'S NAME (if applicable)

PARISH (if applicable)

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