



## **Sacramento Children's Home Guild**

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### **What does the Guild do?**

Guild members raise funds to support The Sacramento Children's Home. While we are best known for our annual Crab Feed dinner and auction held every February, we also participate in Macy's Community Shopping Day, Home Tours, and other events. The Guild is also a wonderful place to build friendships and have fun while working to support the Home.

#### **Why should I join?**

By becoming a member, you'll help children, families, and the community. Many young people have been placed in the Sacramento Children's Home as a last haven for hope. You will be satisfied knowing that your efforts will directly support the Home, which is committed to helping children and adults in our community overcome the devastation of abuse and aid families in breaking the cycle of abuse before it begins.

#### **What are the responsibilities of a Guild member?**

Guild members are expected to attend evening meetings, which are held once every other month, from September through May. Members are also expected to serve on a committee for the annual Crab Feed event. Depending on your availability, you may choose to be more involved by becoming a committee chairperson or running for an officer position. Many new members find that the Sacramento Children's Home Guild offers a way to volunteer time without interrupting their busy work and family schedules.

#### **Does it cost money to join the Guild?**

Members pay annual dues of \$50. The reward is gaining many new friends, having lots of fun, and knowing that you are directly helping the Sacramento Children's Home—most importantly the children and families it serves.

#### **What types of fundraising activities do you do?**

Our biggest annual fundraiser is the "Down by the Sea" Crab Feed Dinner and Auction held every February. We have a great time hosting and attending the event! Other fund-raising activities we participate in throughout the year include the Macy's Community Shopping Day and the Curtis Park Home Tours.

### **What are the benefits of membership?**

First and foremost, you get to support children in need by contributing to the Sacramento Children's Home and its worthy programs. You will also meet other members of our community who share your interest in making a difference! The Guild strives to give the Home our utmost support, but we certainly have fun along the way. While we take our work seriously, there are a number of social activities and member outings that help members build lasting and meaningful friendships.

### **How do I join?**

If you have an interest in helping children, especially those who have been abused, abandoned, or neglected, the Guild is a wonderful opportunity. Even if your time is limited, there are volunteer activities that will suit your availability. Membership applications can be found on our website, or contact our membership chair at [schguild@yahoo.com](mailto:schguild@yahoo.com).

### **I'm still not sure if this is the right organization for me. Can I check it out before I sign up?**

We would love to see you at one of our meeting or social activities! Please let our membership chair know which activity you'd like to attend, and we will be delighted to have you as our guest. Prospective members can attend two meetings or events before deciding to join. We hope to see you soon!