



**Sunnyside Chapter**

**Provisional Member Packet**

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### **The Mission of National Charity League, Inc.:**

**To foster mother-daughter relationships in a philanthropic organization committed to community service, leadership development and cultural experiences.**

Dear Provisional NCL Member,

We appreciate your interest in becoming a Provisional Patroness of the Sunnyside Chapter of National Charity League, Inc. You probably have a lot of questions about the organization and its contributions to the community. This packet has been prepared to answer many of your questions and help you understand the purpose of the organization.

National Charity League, Inc. (NCL) is a national organization of mothers and daughters. The mothers are called Patronesses and the daughters are called Ticktockers. The mission of NCL is to foster mother-daughter relationships in a philanthropic organization committed to community service, leadership development and cultural experiences. Your membership in this organization and the Ticktocker six-year plan will offer opportunities to participate in each of these three program areas. It is our hope that our daughters will develop a greater appreciation of the community values and ideals that our generation holds to be important and worthy of preservation.

The following pages will explain more fully the benefits of being a member of NCL, the activities in which our Chapter engages and the responsibilities that accompany the privilege of membership. Financial obligations and hour requirements are also reviewed. It is important that you recognize and acknowledge the time involved in belonging to national organization and that membership involves commitment to all three aspects of NCL: philanthropy, leadership development and cultural education.

You will see that we are an actively involved and committed group that fosters the bond between mother and daughter. Please read the enclosed information and carefully consider the requirements for you and your daughter. Your Sponsor will be glad to answer any questions you may have about NCL.

Sincerely,

Membership Committee  
Sunnyside Chapter  
National Charity League, Inc.

(National Charity League, Inc. is incorporated in the State of California as a non-profit charitable organization. Its Chapters through the United States are incorporated in their state of origin.)

## **1. What is National Charity League?**

National Charity League, Inc. is a national mother-daughter membership organization with affiliated local Chapters in communities throughout the country. The mothers are called Patronesses and the daughters are called Ticktockers. Our unique focus on the mother-daughter relationship while serving the community is the keystone to NCL's success and growth. Mothers and daughters work together as volunteers to support the community while developing as leaders and role models.

During the developmental and formative years between 7<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade, Ticktockers absorb the standards and ideals that generations hold to be important and worthy of preservation.

The purpose of National Charity League, Inc. is to initiate and promote charitable endeavors, to foster the mother-daughter relationship, and to promote membership in Ticktockers. NCL provides opportunities for mothers and daughters to enjoy both mother-daughter and peer relationships through philanthropic, leadership and cultural activities

Philanthropic Service: Our desire is to learn what philanthropic needs exist in our community and to help meet those needs whenever possible.

Leadership: Our intent is to enhance potential leadership skills through team building, problem solving, mentoring, and group dynamics.

Cultural: Our goal is to develop cultural awareness by planning and attending various events and each year selecting a different art form.

The Ticktocker experience is designed to be a small group leadership program that provides opportunities for each developing young woman to know the joy of helping others, to learn tolerance and kindness, to mature and build confidence and to make friends while sharing and participating in these activities in a safe and comfortable age appropriate environment.

## **2. The Legacy of National Charity League, Inc.**

The history of National Charity League can be traced back to 1925 when a small group of women in Los Angeles, interested in philanthropic work, met together and called themselves The Charity League. They worked quietly, doing Red Cross work, making layettes and assembling and delivering food baskets to the needy at holiday time. A few daughters met with their mothers to help; one of these daughters was the future Mrs. Paul William Lawrence, considered the founder of National Charity League.

By 1938, daughters of The Charity League decided to form their own group. Organized under the guidance of Mrs. Bruce Anderson and Mrs. Lawrence, this was the first youth group of Charity League. At the first meeting, the name Ticktockers was chosen by the girls. Their first "Big Party" was a summer formal held in June of 1941 in Arcadia, California, admission \$2.00.

On April 10, 1942, Mrs. Lawrence registered the name The Charity League in Sacramento, California. Then came World War II. There were personal family concerns to be dealt with and even though the need for philanthropic endeavors increased, the world was dealing with crises. Everything was put on hold.

Following the war, in 1946, the group, Ticktockers was reactivated. A year later, The Charity League was reorganized and renamed National Charity League. It was at this time that the mothers chose to take the name Patroness. The Ticktockers and their Patroness mothers sent 500 pounds of clothing to the needy people of England, Holland, and Belgium as well as participating in local charitable endeavors.

September 10, 1947 is the date of the incorporation of National Charity League. A nonprofit corporation organized solely for philanthropic, educational and cultural purposes, it is the original mother-daughter charity.

On June 6, 1958, the Los Angeles Chapter amended its bylaws to change its name from National Charity League to National Charity League – Los Angeles Chapter. This paved the way for a new corporation of national significance, National Charity League, Inc.

The organization continued to grow with the chartering of the Glendale Chapter in 1951, San Fernando Valley Chapter in 1955, and Foothill Chapter in 1956. The Salt Lake City Chapter was organized in 1974, becoming the first Chapter outside of California. The Lone Star Chapter was formed in Texas in 1981 and was the beginning of NCL in Texas.

In 1990, NCL moved to Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut and Washington. In 1995, Chapters were organized in Nevada and Oregon, and 1996 saw the establishment of Chapters in North Carolina and Georgia. After five years without growth, Southern California began forming new Chapters again in 1997. Texas divided into two regions in 1998 as Southern California added four Chapters. Growth in Northern California between 1998 and 1999 generated four Chapters. During 1999-2000, the first Juniors Group in Texas was established and two Chapters were organized in Colorado. Chapters in new states continue to form, embracing the purpose of NCL and established Chapters.

National Charity League, Inc. now has 149 Chapters in 15 states with more than 33,000 total members, and in 2008 celebrated 50 years of success and growth. All Chapters embrace the philosophy of strengthening the mother-daughter relationship and the communities in which they exist through philanthropic work and the development of future community leaders. We may all be proud of our legacy and grateful to that small group of women in 1925.

### **3. Characteristics of a Good NCL Member**

She is a “team player” and will accept the decision of the majority.

She is willing and able to annually participate in the operations of her Chapter.

She understands the importance of all three areas of NCL – **philanthropic, leadership** and **cultural** – and will make all activities that involve her and her daughter(s) a priority.

She understands and is willing to commit the time to fulfill the specific attendance, philanthropic, and committee obligations of her NCL Chapter.

She understands the importance of a positive attitude and constructive problem solving in all NCL matters.

She is focused on the philosophical ideals of NCL, rather than any associated status or prestige.

She fully understands and is willing to accept the financial obligations associated with NCL membership.

She will make an extra effort to become acquainted with all Chapter members.

She understands that by virtue of being a members of local Chapter, she is affiliated with a national federated system, which requires adherence to National standards and policies at all times and mandates belief in the core values of National charity League, Inc.

#### **4. Membership Obligations**

##### **Service:**

Required hours for Patronesses and Ticktockers are listed below from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011. Patronesses and Ticktockers are required to record hours via Chapter website or submit hours to the Chapter Hours Chairman on Nov. 1, 2010 and April 1, 2011. All Patronesses and Ticktockers hours obligations must be fulfilled by March 31, 2011.

##### **Patronesses:**

All 30 required hours: 15 Philanthropy and 15 League

##### **Ticktockers:**

7<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> Grade 30 required hours: 15 Philanthropy and 15 League

12<sup>th</sup> Grade 20 required hours: 10 Philanthropy and 10 League

**Philanthropy hours:** Hour for hour credit is given for service in NCL approved philanthropic projects.

**League Hours:** Patroness and Ticktockers earn league hours when their work is directly related to the functioning of the Sunnyside Chapter. Examples of hours include committee meetings/work, Patroness/Ticktocker Meetings; time spent coordinating an event, telephone work, etc. Hours earned in Chapter related projects are recorded in half-hour increments.

**ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS:** Of the 9 Regular Membership Meetings offered each year, a Patroness is required to attend a minimum of 5. Regular meetings are held in September through June. Ticktockers are required to attend monthly grade level meetings. Grade Level Advisers must be notified in advance if it is necessary for a Ticktocker to miss a meeting. **Patronesses are required to serve on at least one committee per year.**

<b>FINANCIAL: Annual Membership Duse:</b>	<b>Ticktockers \$75</b>	<b>Patroness \$75</b>
<b>One Time Entrance Fee:</b>	<b>Ticktockers \$15</b>	<b>Patroness \$35</b>

There will be additional expenses incurred for: Spring Tea/Senior Recognition Event of \$15.00 a person

## **5. Philanthropy Activities and Awards**

### **PHILANTHROPY ACTIVITIES:**

Philanthropy is the heart of our organization. Mothers and daughters working together to help serve our Chapters chosen projects earn philanthropy hours.

Any mother-daughter team can assist many of the Chapter's philanthropies. The philanthropies that we support are as follows:

- Oregon Food Bank
- American Cancer Society
- Solv
- Providence Medical Systems
- Tucker Maxon
- Oregon Human Society

The Philanthropy Vice President of the Sunnyside Chapter continues to contact community philanthropies to determine where we can best be of service.

### **AWARDS:**

The Sunnyside Chapter presents various awards to Ticktockers honoring them for outstanding philanthropic service.

## **6. Provisional Patroness Member Information**

Provisional Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Provisional Member's Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Provisional Ticktock's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level next September \_\_\_\_\_ School attending in September \_\_\_\_\_

Provisional Ticktock's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Level next September \_\_\_\_\_ School attending in September \_\_\_\_\_

List sisters, ages, grades \_\_\_\_\_

*I understand that National Charity League, Inc. reserves the right to search public record and to deny or terminate membership based on any conviction of a felony.*

Provisional Member's past organizational affiliations, community and volunteer positions:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Position Held / Responsibilities</u>	<u>When</u>	<u>How Long</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

List special interests and abilities \_\_\_\_\_

By my signature I understand that the information on this page will be reviewed by the Membership Committee of the National Charity League, Inc., Sunnyside Chapter.

_____	Has your sponsor done a thorough job of explaining NCL to you?
Signature of Provisional Patroness	
Date _____	Yes _____ No _____

Please submit this form as a commitment to become a member of the Sunnyside Chapter of National Charity League, Inc.

## 7. Provisional Member Agreement

I understand that I am being proposed for membership in National Charity League, Inc. Sunnyside Chapter. I have been informed of all expectations and obligations. I am willing to fulfill these commitments, and I wish to be considered for membership.

I understand and agree that the information in my packet will be reviewed and verified by the Membership Committee and that my name may be presented to the general membership of the Chapter. I further understand that membership is not guaranteed and that the decision of the Sunnyside Chapter Board of Directors is final.

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Signature, Provisional Member

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## **8. Choice of Chapter Agreement**

I understand that there is more than one Chapter in my area to which I may apply for membership. Those Chapters are:

- Sunnyside Chapter
- Blue Heron Chapter
- Lake Oswego Chapter
- Portland Chapter
- Oregon Rose Chapter

I also understand that under National Charity League, Inc. Membership Procedures, I may be considered for only one Chapter each year during their annual membership selection period. In the event that I am proposed for more than one of these Chapters, it is my wish to be considered for the Chapter that I have circled above. I further understand that should I not be offered membership in the Chapter I have indicated, another Chapter listed above may consider my application. Should this occur, I must have a sponsor in that Chapter and fulfill all of the requirements. If this is not the case, I understand that I may apply for membership in another Chapter or reapply to my preferred Chapter the following year.

Signed:

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Provisional Member

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Date

Please fill out and mail sections 6, 7 and 8 to:  
NCL – Sunnyside Chapter, PO BOX 406 Clackamas, OR 97015

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