



## 2018-19 LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS REGISTRATION FORM

### CONTACT INFORMATION

<b>Full Name</b>	
<b>Home Phone</b>	
<b>Mobile Phone</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>City, State, Zip Code</b>	
<b>Email</b>	

<b><u>EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION</u></b>	
<i>Emergency Contact Name</i>	
<i>Emergency Contact Home or Mobile Phone</i>	
<i>Special Medical or Dietary Needs</i>	

### YES! Contact me about helping with or to learn more about the following:

<input type="checkbox"/> Helping Plan, Organize or working an Event	<input type="checkbox"/> Visiting those who are sick/ill	<input type="checkbox"/> Visiting Nursing Homes
<input type="checkbox"/> Making Koliva for Memorial Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Helping in the kitchen on scheduled Sunday's	<input type="checkbox"/> Baking for events
<input type="checkbox"/> Donate towards cooking/baking needs	<input type="checkbox"/> Shopping for supplies for events	<input type="checkbox"/> Cooking meals for the needy/homeless
<input type="checkbox"/> Delivering meals to the needy/homeless	<input type="checkbox"/> I am not a member but would like to join the society	<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to help wherever the help is needed most – please contact me

### MISSION

To help the poor, the destitute, the hungry, the aged, the sick, the unemployed, the orphaned, the imprisoned, the widowed, the handicapped, the victims of disasters, to undertake the burial of impoverished persons and to offer assistance to anyone who may need the help of the Church through fund raising efforts; and To promote the charitable, benevolent, and philanthropic purposes of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, through instructional programs, presentations, lectures, seminars and other educational resources; To preserve and perpetuate Orthodox Christian concepts and the Orthodox Christian Family, and through them, to promote the Greek Orthodox Faith and traditions, in accordance with its doctrines, canons, discipline, divine worship, usages and customs; To promote participation in the activities of the Greek Orthodox community, with the cooperation of the Parish Priest and the Parish Council. The charitable work of the Society shall be performed with discretion, courtesy and kindness.



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### ABOUT US

The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society, Inc. is the philanthropic arm of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America that has offered 85 years of philanthropy through a multitude of programs that make a difference in the lives of people in the United States and throughout the world. The National Society was established in November 1931, by the late Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras I, who was then serving as Archbishop of North and South America.

Philoptochos fulfills its mission to “help the poor, the destitute, the hungry, the aged, the sick, the unemployed, the orphaned, the imprisoned, the widowed, those with disabilities and the victims of disasters through its National and Metropolis Boards and its 26,000 members and more than 400 active chapters, nationwide. Philoptochos responds immediately to needs and crises and its philanthropic outreach extends to each area of the country and throughout the world. In 2016, National Philoptochos distributed \$2.06 million in philanthropic aid.

His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios of America called Philoptochos, “an army of nobility and the jewel of our Church. Philoptochos must continue to do what God does by loving people.”

Since the late 1950's, upon the recommendation of Archbishop Iakovos, Philoptochos has placed an increased emphasis on the implementation of important programs to benefit the Greek Orthodox community, including, but not limited to, institutions of the Church, the philanthropies of the Ecumenical Patriarchate and assistance to Greek and Greek Orthodox families. Involvement in social and moral issues encouraged the establishment of several committees to address topics such as child abuse prevention, domestic violence, homelessness, pornography, drug and alcohol abuse, and aging.

Since 1987, the National Philoptochos office has employed a professional Social Worker, engaged in assisting the Greek Orthodox community in the United States as well as Greek and Cypriot nationals. The Department of Social Services is a very important, vital element of our organization. The mission of the Department is to improve the quality of life of those in need, in a way that maintains the dignity and self-respect of the individuals. Through confidential and professional services, the office provides outreach, education, information, support, intervention, motivation, advocacy, financial assistance and referral to local and broader resources. The website of the department of Social Services can be accessed here: <http://philoptochos.org/programs/socialservices>