

82,891 fraternal benefit society members made a difference in Maryland in 2013.

Charitable contributions by members and chapters: \$4,277,745

Total chapters in Maryland: 267

Total volunteer hours: 986,103

MORE THAN A CENTURY OF SERVICE

Not-for-profit fraternal benefit societies hold a unique place in history, and for more than 100 years, have been playing vital roles in communities across the U.S. and Canada. Fraternals are a different kind of life insurance provider, securing members' futures through reliable financial service offerings, and giving back to their local communities through meaningful volunteer activities.

DEDICATED TO THEIR COMMUNITIES

Each year, fraternals continue building on their original missions and significantly enrich the lives of those around them. In 2013 alone, nearly 9 million fraternal volunteers in the U.S. and Canada devoted almost 83 million service hours to their communities and gave \$388.5 million to deserving individuals and service organizations.

A VITAL COMMUNITY ROLE

Fraternal benefit societies work with a variety of local and national service organizations to maximize community impact. Fraternals are proud to...

- Support Habitat for Humanity.
- Build playgrounds with KaBoom!
- Support U.S. troops by sending care packages overseas and helping veterans at home.
- Address hunger issues through local food pantries, international meal packaging programs and soup kitchens.
- Volunteer for **Special Olympics** and **Relay for Life** events.
- Empower their members through numerous matching funds programs, allowing individual members to address community needs in their hometowns.



Fraternal Benefit Societies: MARYLAND

Maryland is home to 36 fraternal benefit societies with more than 82,000 members, who contribute to communities through their local chapters and lodges in the state.

Fraternal Benefit Society
Baptist Life Association
Catholic Financial Life
Catholic Holy Family Society
Catholic Order of Foresters
Catholic United Financial
Croatian Fraternal Union of America
CSA Fraternal Life
Everence Association, Inc.
First Catholic Slovak Ladies Association
First Catholic Slovak Union of the USA and Canada
GBU Financial Life
Gleaner Life Insurance Society
Greek Catholic Union of the USA
Independent Order of Foresters – U. S.
Knights of Columbus
Knights of Peter Claver
Loyal Christian Benefit Association
Modern Woodmen of America

Fraternal Benefit Society
National Catholic Society of Foresters
National Mutual Benefit
Order of United Commercial Travelers
Police and Firemen's Insurance Association
Polish National Alliance of the U.S. of N.A.
Polish Roman Catholic Union of America
Providence Association of Ukrainian Catholics
Royal Neighbors of America
Sons of Norway
Supreme Council of the Royal Arcanum
Thrivent Financial
Ukrainian National Association, Inc.
United Transportation Union Insurance Association
Western Catholic Union
Woman's Life Insurance Society
Woodmen of the World and/or Assured Life Association
Woodmen of the World/Omaha Woodmen Life Insurance Society
WSA Fraternal Life

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