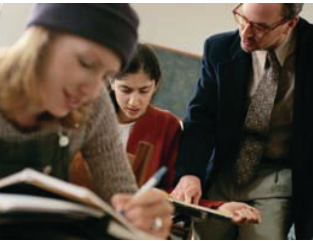


# We are Odd Fellows & Rebekahs.

To Improve and Elevate the Character of Mankind...

In 18th century England, it was odd to find people organized for the purpose of giving aid to those in need and pursuing projects for the benefit of all mankind. Those who belonged to such an organization were called "Odd Fellows." Odd Fellows are also known as "The Three Link Fraternity" which stands for Friendship, Love and Truth.



*Odd Fellows are very involved in supporting their communities through a variety of civic projects.*

Today, the Odd Fellows is a worldwide fraternal Order having over 5,000 lodges in 26 countries. We are actively involved in a variety of civic and philanthropic efforts

on a local, national and international level. Highlights of these include:

## The Order at Work

- The Odd Fellows and Rebekahs spend over \$7.5 million million in relief projects annually
- The Educational Foundation provides substantial loans and grants to students
- SOS Children's Village provides a caring home for orphaned children in Cambodia
- Living Legacy focuses on planting trees and enhancing our environment
- Arthritis Research and Educational
- Visual Research Foundation supports vision care and research through the Wilmer Eye Institute.
- Pilgrimage for Youth



*The Independent Order of Odd Fellows is proud to sponsor many Housing Projects throughout North America.*

## Consider Joining the Odd Fellows

A man or woman of good character, who is loyal to his or her country and believes in a Supreme Being, the creator and preserver of the Universe, is eligible for membership. Odd Fellowship strictly forbids any interference with one's religious beliefs or political opinions. Most jurisdictions require candidates for the adult lodges to be 16 years old. Junior Lodges and Theta Rho Girls' Clubs accept members 8 to 18 years old (some jurisdictions have a minimum age limit of 10).

## How to Join

If you are interested in learning more and possibly becoming a part of the Odd Fellows or Rebekahs, you are encouraged to visit our website at [www.ioof.org](http://www.ioof.org). Click on the Jurisdictions link to find contact information for your State or Province. When contacting us, share with us your interest in joining and we will be glad to answer any questions you may have.

Should you decide to join, an application and instructions will be provided. Simply contact us on the web, phone or mail. We look forward to hearing from you!

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