



WHAT IS YLS?

United Way's Young Leaders Society (YLS) is a sub-set of the Leadership Circle (those donating \$1,200 or more annually) who are in their 20's, 30's and 40's. YLS is designed to help young professionals become more involved in their community through United Way. YLS now has more than 1,100 members.

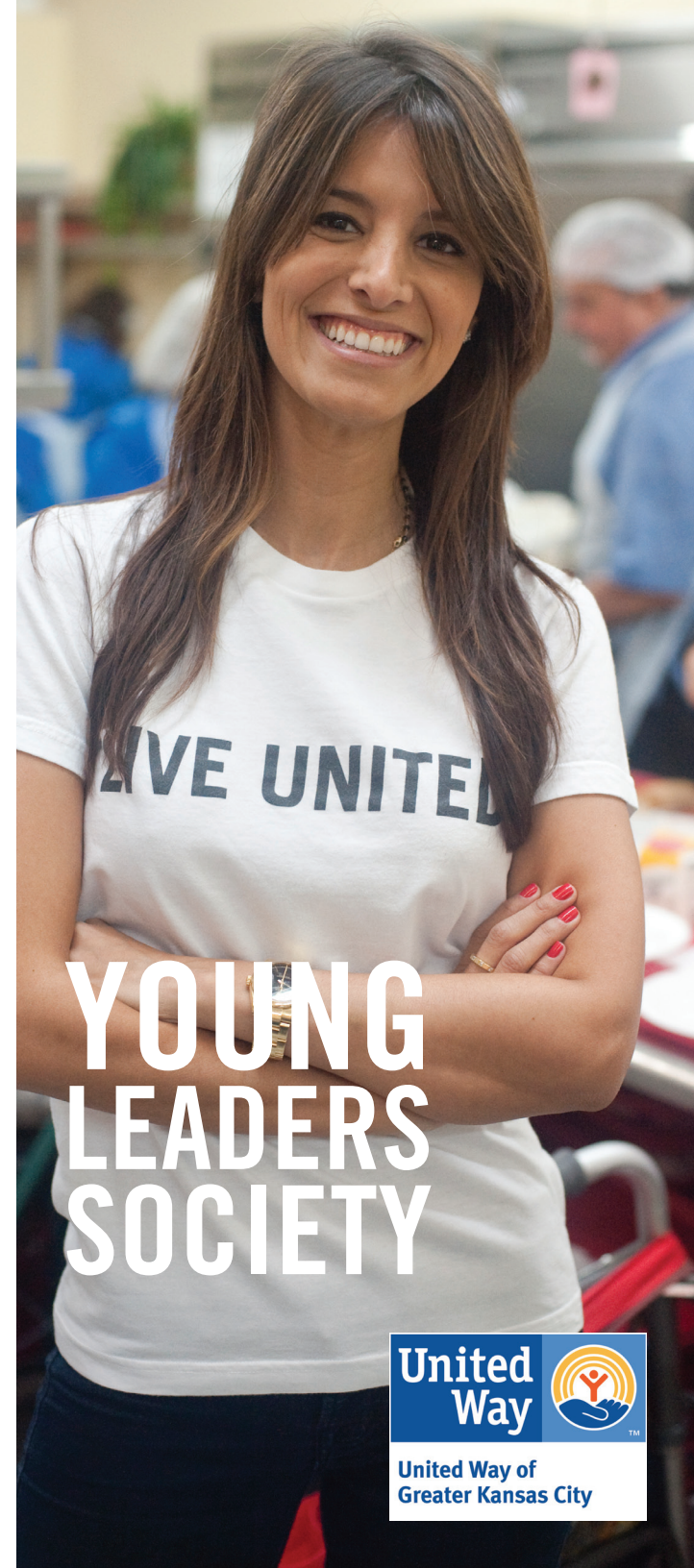
Our mission is to engage young philanthropists in personal development and community involvement. YLS is a unique and dynamic group that offers multiple opportunities to make a difference in people's lives while improving your leadership skills and expanding your contacts.

**JOIN HANDS.
OPEN YOUR HEART.
LEND YOUR MUSCLE.
FIND YOUR VOICE.**
GIVE 10%. GIVE 100%.
GIVE 110%.
**REACH OUT A HAND
TO ONE AND INFLUENCE
THE CONDITION OF ALL.**
LEAD THE WAY. JOIN YLS.

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**YOUNG
LEADERS
SOCIETY**



WHAT WOULD I DO?

Our membership is comprised of people from different lifestyles, backgrounds and schedules so we offer a wide variety of exclusive opportunities. The best part about YLS is that you can be as involved as you wish.

LeadKC. United Way partners with two local nonprofit leadership organizations to develop and host a series of trainings designed to improve your performance as a board member and improve the efficacy of nonprofit boards within Greater Kansas City.

Conversation Series. Each year, United Way holds multiple sessions of our Conversation Series. These are small group lunches or cocktail receptions in the homes or businesses of Kansas City's most prominent leaders. Past series have included conversations with community leaders such as Don and Adele Hall, Terry and Bob Dunn, Roshann Parris and Dave Fowler.

Volunteer Activities. Several family-oriented volunteer activities are held at local nonprofits each year. We've played bingo with seniors, hosted parties for disadvantaged children, assisted with food distribution and read essays for a violence prevention coalition.

Social Hours. YLS members meet for a social hour quarterly at different locations throughout the city. It is a great time for meeting new people, networking and checking out a new venue.



HOW DO I SIGN UP?

If you're interested in joining YLS or just learning more, please visit our Web site at www.unitedwaygkc.org/yls. You can also call (816) 559-4642 or e-mail yls@uwgkc.org.

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MY NAME IS DERECK



Dereck enjoying a YLS happy hour.

I joined Young Leaders Society because I believe in the cause that the money is going towards. I continue to be a member because it provides great opportunities to meet young leaders in the community and develop friendships, as well as a chance to network with some of the most influential people in Kansas

City through the conversation series with local community leaders.

- Dereck Hooker, *The Kansas City Star*

MY NAME IS ALLISON

I joined YLS because I am new to Kansas City and I wanted to meet the people who help make the community what it is.

Through YLS, I have the opportunity to build relationships with other business professionals. I also wanted an opportunity to give back to the community.



Allison (on left) and a guest at a YLS networking event.

I enjoy practicing law, but I was looking for a way to help the community at-large. I have always wanted to serve on a nonprofit board, and YLS provides a training program that will prepare me to do just that. Of course, the donation I make to United Way as a YLS member allows me to give my support where I cannot give my time.

- Allison Hardy, *Stinson Morrison Hecker LLP*

THAT'S WHY WE LIVE UNITED.