



Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine

Responding to God's Call Since 1851

The Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine (CSA) is a congregation of women religious who have served communities in Ohio, Kentucky and South Carolina since 1851. For generations, the Sisters have been pioneers in the fields of health care, education, social service and pastoral care.



Today, the CSA Sisters continue to serve alongside its sponsored ministries, partners and co-ministers, including the Sisters of Charity Health System and its family of ministries, extending God's loving presence to those most in need. The Sisters carry on a life of service to the world, and "out of the traditions of the past, they find meaning for the present and hope for the future."¹

Community Impact

For more than 175 years, the Sisters have:

- Founded and sponsored multiple hospitals and other health care ministries in Ohio and South Carolina

- Cared for people in need, including those experiencing poverty, homelessness and addiction
- Provided resources and opportunities to transform the lives of children and families experiencing poverty in Ohio, Kentucky and South Carolina
- Cared for older adults with dignity and compassion
- Strengthened and revitalized communities through outreach, food access and social services
- Provided generations of children with Catholic education at parish schools throughout Northeast Ohio

In All Things, Charity

The first CSA Sisters arrived in Cleveland from France in 1851 and soon became known as the city's first public health nurses. From the beginning, they have responded to changing needs with courage and compassion, standing in solidarity with the most vulnerable people who they serve. They continue to respond to God's call with a commitment to their charism, taken from St. Augustine: "*In all things, charity.*"

Joined to the Mission of the Church

*"Joined to the Mission of the Church in the transformation of the world in Christ, the CSAs enter deeply into the life of the Church... and witness to Gospel values through lives of mission and service."*²

¹ CSA Constitution and Directory, par. 4;

² CSA Constitution and Directory, par. 3, pg. 10