

From the Director

Dear Friends,

We are grateful that you are part of the Loyola Institute for Spirituality (LIS) community! Whether you follow us on social media, participate in our offerings, or give to support our programs, **YOU are a part of this community, and you are a blessing.**

For more than 25 years, LIS has lived out its mission to invite all to experience spiritual exercises that deepen and awaken one's self-knowledge and awareness of God's unconditional love. In a world full of distractions and struggle, **Ignatian spirituality offers a way to grow in loving relationships with God, self, and others.** And just like physical exercises, the Spiritual Exercises have the ability to reshape, mold, and transform us to see God in all things, situations, and people.

In 2022-2023, we continued to provide educational and spiritual Ignatian formation in **diverse and creative ways** that supported the development of emerging leaders and spiritual companions. Our 9-month Spiritual Exercises in Daily Life (SEDL) retreat, 9-day pilgrimage on the Camino de Santiago in Spain during the summer of 2023, and collaborative workshops, socials, events, and courses throughout the year upheld our mission to develop and nurture the lives of disciples.

**Will you help give the gift of Ignatian spirituality
to change hearts and transform lives?**

We know that Ignatian spirituality has the potential to change lives and our hearts are on fire with this possibility! We are a small and mighty team of associates and collaborators, who want to expand our outreach and create long-term stability for LIS. The work of LIS is made possible through the generous support of people like you. We invite your continued partnership in the mission of LIS. **To support us in sharing the gift of Ignatian spirituality, please consider making a financial gift, if you are able.** Every gift is gratefully appreciated, regardless of the amount. In addition to your financial contribution, we humbly ask for your prayers as we continue to work in response to God's call.

With immense gratitude,



Lori Stanley
Executive Director

Mission and Vision

Loyola Institute for Spirituality works to promote a faith that does justice, in the tradition of St. Ignatius of Loyola. We bring spirituality to life by inviting spiritual seekers to transformation, fostering Ignatian formation and education, and nurturing discipleship.

*Loyola Institute for Spirituality is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization.
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*"The gift of
realizing God's
love for me
gives me
confidence and
a deep sense of
contentment."*

Program Participant



A Year in Review...

Participating in a local and Provincewide synodal process laid the groundwork to listen and to discern strengths and areas for development. The time spent in communal discernment informed our intentional strategic approach to meet the needs of our growing community throughout fiscal year 2022-2023. A particular highlight: Pilgrims from both LIS and the Center for Religion and Spirituality at LMU accompanied one another along the Camino de Santiago in Spain during the summer of 2023. This collaboration resulted in memorable experiences and provided a rich opportunity for spiritual growth. While we explored a hybrid method (online and in person) of new programming, some programs remained on hold.



We saw significant participation in both English and Spanish-language programming from July 2022 - June 2023 including:

- 500+ participants across all programs and events
- 43 retreatants in Spiritual Exercises
- 86 LIS Associates helped coordinate, lead, teach, and facilitate throughout the year
- 28 community members discerned their spiritual charisms through Called & Gifted
- 11 collaborations with other Jesuit and Diocesan ministries on spirituality, social justice, and discernment
- 26 pilgrims walked the Camino de Santiago in Spain for 9 days
- 78 diaconate aspirants, candidates, and their wives in spiritual formation
- 11 Graduates from PFEI (Ignatian Spiritual Formation Program in Spanish)
- 3 Parish based programs
- Dozens of retreatants found God in creative ways through art, writing, and film
- More than 3,800 followers across social media platforms

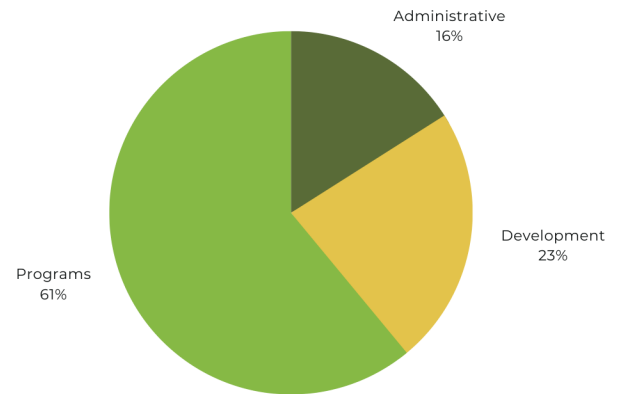
What Your Gift Will Do

Inherent in Loyola Institute for Spirituality's mission is a commitment to adapt to the spiritual needs of the day by asking, "What more can we do to introduce God's love to others so that they can reflect it out into the world?" Your gift allows us to answer this question as we make Ignatian spirituality accessible by providing excellent programming at modest fees.

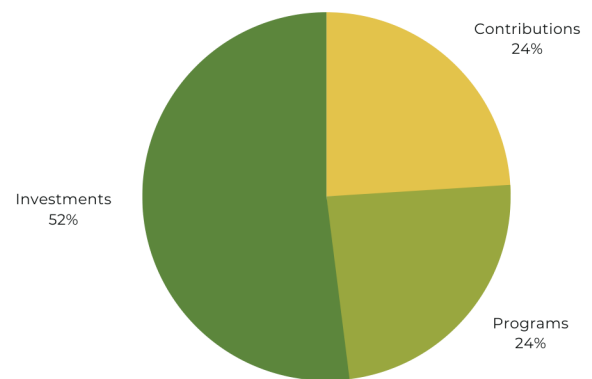
We continue to strategically reimagine our programming to meet individuals and groups where they are and to offer spiritual nourishment that responds to the challenges of our time. In order to offer robust programming to meet spiritual formation needs, we must continue to grow our team and to provide them with ongoing formation and education opportunities. Your gift helps us to rebuild a sustainable foundation for LIS to grow into the future.

Financial Overview

Allocated Expenses \$390,614



Revenue \$373,105



Numbers represent fiscal year 2022-2023.

Expenses have remained stable after prudent examination in prior years. As we look to continue to expand our team and reach, we remain committed to streamlining and managing our resources with careful consideration. With the majority of our programs this year still held virtually, we expect to return to more in-person opportunities in the coming year. We will also begin preparing to re-launch some of the programs that have been on hold.

Although program revenue increased from the previous year, income from programs and contributions has not yet reached pre-pandemic levels. It is a landscape that we continue to navigate alongside our donors and constituents. We remain grateful for the foresight of our founders in our ability to access investment and scholarship funds to supplement our income. Our strategic planning in the years ahead involves identifying various avenues for sustained income without a heavy reliance on these funds.