

# Don Gary Young

[Don Gary Young has dedicated his life](#) to helping others.



As the founder and CEO of [Young Living Essential Oils](#) and the D. Gary Young Foundation, Gary Young has shown great commitment to improving the health and wellness of those who need it most.

Gary's vision of working with nature to help others stems from his own personal experiences. He grew up in the mountains of Idaho and in the Canadian wilderness, where he gained a deep appreciation for nature's power. At the age of 24, he suffered a near-fatal accident that changed his life's path. Though he spent several years following the accident depressed, he rediscovered his purpose when he began to investigate a then little-known field of natural remedies called essential oils. These oils, he felt, were the key to helping himself and others recover from adversity and improve emotional and physical wellbeing. He spent the decades that followed traveling around the world to learn about essential oil chemistry, cutting-edge distillation techniques, and the wellness potential of these oils from the world's leading experts.

In 1994, Gary and his wife Mary founded Young Living Essential Oils, the world leader in essential oils. Headquartered in Utah, the company has grown in the 20-plus years since to have farms all over the world, as well as offices in Canada, Japan, Australia, Europe, Singapore, and many others.

While tending to the daily operations of his international company, Gary also oversees growth, harvest, and distillation processes. On his farms, botanicals for the world's highest quality pure essential oils are cultivated with care, harvested to exacting specifications, distilled carefully, and tested rigorously. Gary has also written many publications and spoken at several conferences about the benefits of pure essential oils. He is considered a leading expert on the topic, as well as an inspiring motivational speaker.

Through his nonprofit organization, [The D. Gary Young Foundation](#), Gary has provided countless individuals and communities all over the world with educational, economic, and medical support. Most notably, he and his foundation built a new elementary school in Guayaquil, Ecuador that provides the



students with materials crucial for learning and building a brighter future.

Some recent projects include:

- Building two schools and a water system for the Tarahumara Indians in the Copper Canyon of Durango, Mexico.
- Building an elementary school in Guayaquil, Ecuador, which is funded as a model school that is vaccine-free, and a second addition for the preschool and cultural arts programs. Here students will be able to cultivate their own organic garden that contributes to their healthy, organic lunches, as well as learn how to eat better and heal their bodies naturally through what Mother Nature provides.
- Donating a years' supply of Omega Blue to The Heritage School in Provo, Utah, a residential treatment center for at-risk adolescents.
- Providing earthquake and tsunami relief in Japan.
- Providing relief for those with leprosy in India.

The foundation has also provided relief for Hurricane Katrina victims, provided support for the Cinterandes Foundation Mobile Surgery Unit, contributed financial support to universities researching essential oils, and so much more.

Gary Young is a recognized leader who wants nothing less but to help others worldwide live a healthy lifestyle and be successful. As the founder and CEO of Young Living Essential Oils, Gary Young has helped people regain their strength and become physically empowered through pure essential oils. Over the past few years, Gary Young has shared his knowledge and experiences with recovery and health to people all over the world. He has also helped hundreds of people worldwide through the foundations' community service projects.