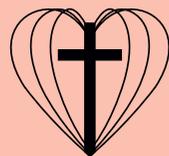


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“For 65 years...

The Catholic Charities Appeal has embodied the spirit of Missionary Discipleship by giving hope to those in need throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Thanks to your support, the Catholic Charities Appeal encourages, inspires, and provides for the poor, marginalized, and vulnerable in a way that preserves their grace and dignity.

Funds generated by the Catholic Charities Appeal directly support over 180 ministries, organizations, and programs serving nearly a million people each year who come from all walks of life.

Please open your compassionate heart and join me in contributing to the critical and life sustaining work supported by this Appeal. You can be a helping hand for those who cannot help themselves.”

- Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez,
Archbishop of Philadelphia



OUR BENEFICIARIES

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide vital support to almost a million people in need. These individuals are served by a range of organizations, programs, and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The beneficiaries of the Catholic Charities Appeal focus on five key areas:

- Education
- Social Services
- Evangelization, Parish and Spiritual Life
- Clergy
- Local Mission Activities

Because of your support of the Catholic Charities Appeal, over 180 beneficiary organizations and programs can continue providing essential, life sustaining services. Your gift will feed the homeless, keep after-school programs open, provide pregnancy support for women, impact programs for individuals with physical and intellectual disabilities, support our mission parishes, care for our retired clergy and so much more. Your gift matters.

Your donation to the Catholic Charities Appeal impacts those supported by over 180 programs and organizations across the region. To see a full listing of beneficiaries, please visit catholiccharitiesappeal.org/beneficiaries.



OUR IMPACT

When you support the Catholic Charities Appeal, you are helping:

- Over 100 Catholic Social Services and Nutritional Development Services organizations and programs. Last year, close to 640,000 were positively impacted by the work of Catholic Human Services.
- More than 5,800 seniors served in Senior Centers and Parish Programs.
- Over 100 students in the Schools of Special Education within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia receive tuition assistance and support.
- The 18 Programs and Offices that are providing Evangelization, Parish & Spiritual Life to our community.
- 3,900 clients receive pregnancy, and parenting support, and over 8,400 parents receive baby care items.
- 121 Retired Priests who need care and support.
- 18 Mission Parishes in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia revitalize and sustain their parishes. This includes ministering to over 50,000 parishioners.

What if our community food banks couldn't feed the hungry? What if our shelters for the homeless couldn't provide hot meals? What if our after-school programs weren't there to keep children safe?

If any of those things couldn't happen, the results would be disastrous for close to a million people who count on us for help each year. If the Catholic Charities Appeal didn't receive much-needed support from people like you, that dire scenario would be a reality.

Below is a breakdown of how your donations are supporting CCA beneficiaries, of our \$12.5 million goal....



SOCIAL SERVICES 57%



EDUCATION 13%



EVANGELIZATION
PARISH & SPIRITUAL LIFE 11%



LOCAL MISSION
ACTIVITIES 10%



CLERGY 9%

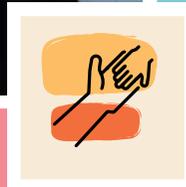
EDUCATION



Support and Success for Special Education Schools

"St. Lucy School for Children with Visual Impairments is a special place. My daughter, Althea, is in second grade at St. Lucy's, and we consider this school to be family. When Althea first came to St. Lucy School, it changed our lives. They are very welcoming, treat our children just like any other children, and provide the support they need to succeed. St. Lucy's utilizes the same curriculum developed by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's Office for Catholic Education in their elementary schools. Students gain access to the elementary curriculum through the use of unique accommodations that meet their visual needs. These accommodations include magnification, braille materials, and assistive technology. The tools and resources here at the school, the warm and welcoming environment, and the knowledge that my daughter is receiving a quality Catholic education, makes St. Lucy School the perfect fit for our family.

When you support the Catholic Charities Appeal, you are helping St. Lucy School and the other two Schools of Special Education in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. It is so important to have schools like St. Lucy in our Archdiocese." – Katie, Parent, St. Lucy School for Children with Visual Impairments



"St. Lucy School provides a family atmosphere to children with visual impairments. There is something special about the teachers, staff, and children that gather here. Everyone is so supportive of one another. In most educational placements, students with visual impairments may be the only child in a classroom or school who uses a cane or reads braille. At St. Lucy School, children learn side by side with other students who are experiencing challenges with their vision. Because of this unique program, students help one another to learn and grow. Many of the families who attend St. Lucy's do not have the financial means to send their child here, yet they need the benefits of the program that St. Lucy School provides. St. Lucy School offers an academic education with all the support for students to access educational materials through the use of magnification, braille, assistive technology and tactile models in order to meet their learning needs."

Without the support of the Catholic Charities Appeal, our families could not even dream of sending their children to St. Lucy School.

Many families of students who are blind/visually impaired want what St. Lucy School can offer, which is an academic education, along with the visual accommodations necessary to their child's particular visual impairment." – Sr. Lisa, Principal, St. Lucy School for Children with Visual Impairments

St. Lucy School for Children with Visual Impairments is the only Catholic School in the United States serving the needs of students with blindness and visual impairments. St. Lucy's helps visually impaired students in Pre-K through 8th grade discover and understand their world, focusing on literacy and personal achievements. Students are also encouraged to attend inclusion classes at other Archdiocesan elementary schools. Last year, St. Lucy School launched a new program for students with Cortical Visual Impairments.

SOCIAL SERVICES

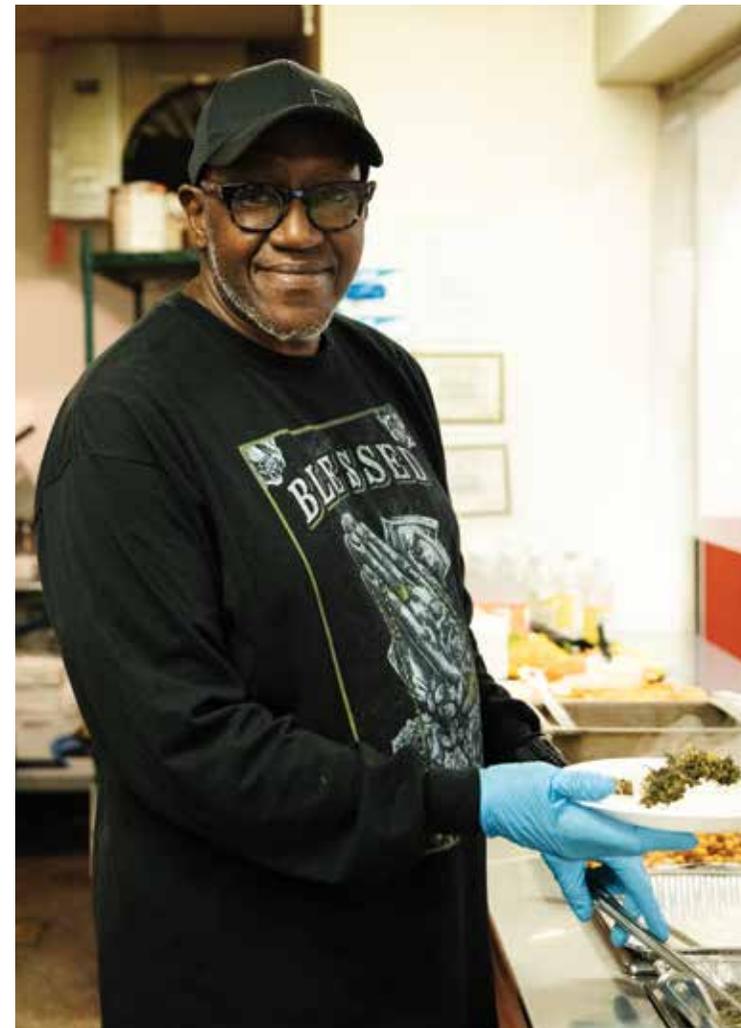


Homeless to Hopeful

"The house I was living in started falling apart, and I had no choice but to leave, but I had nowhere to turn. I was homeless and living on the streets for two years. I don't know how I made it through the winter months, but I know God was with me, looking over me. The streets were getting too dangerous, and I knew I needed shelter. I spoke to my pastor, and he recommended St. John's Hospice. The first time I walked through the doors here, I loved it. St. John's Hospice has clothed me, fed me, and kept me safe. They have also helped support me through counseling, case management services, and anything I could possibly need. Next week I start a new job, and I know this opportunity would not have been possible without the support of the staff here. In addition to helping the 52 residents that call St. John's Hospice home, individuals experiencing homelessness can come to the dining hall for a hot lunch every day. They are met with dignity. Through the support of the Catholic Charities Appeal, these services are made possible. **People are given a second chance in their life. The Appeal helps feed the hungry and provides shelter to those experiencing homelessness.** I don't know where I would be in my life without St. John's Hospice." – John, Resident, St. John's Hospice



Each weekday, St. John's Hospice provides more than 300 hot meals, as well as case management, on-site nursing, daily showers, and mail delivery for over 1,700 men experiencing homelessness in our community.



SOCIAL SERVICES



A Helping Hand

"I just gave birth to a beautiful baby girl named Martilda. During my pregnancy, I started to feel like I could not do this on my own. When I started to look at the prices of everything, I felt overwhelmed, and it made me emotional. A friend recommended I visit Casa del Carmen, and I could not be more grateful. At Casa, I received all the extra items I needed for my daughter: diapers, wipes, a pack and play, and clothing. I even participated in a car seat workshop and learned the proper safety instructions for transporting my child. Services like these are so beneficial to parents, and especially new moms like me.

As a student studying to be a social worker, I know how important the work of Casa del Carmen is in our community. **They are here to help give a helping hand, and through donations to the Catholic Charities Appeal, their work is made possible. Trust me, every dollar counts and makes a difference.** I am so grateful for all I have learned and received at Casa and look forward to continuing to utilize their vital parenting programs." – Belinda, Client, Casa del Carmen



Casa del Carmen Family Service Center provides a variety of services and support to the North Philadelphia community. Last year, Casa del Carmen's pregnancy and parenting support program distributed 62,647 diapers, the food pantry provided meals to 2,902 families, and 54 students graduated from their Keystone stars 4 rated preschool.



SOCIAL SERVICES



Making a Positive Change

"Many people who live in this neighborhood live below the poverty line. The clients who visit the St. Helena Food Pantry are struggling to put food on the table, and when they shop at our pantry, it is a great help to them and their families. They are able to shop for themselves and pick out the items they like. It makes them feel a sense of dignity and pride knowing they are making their own selections. They are so thankful for the food provided by Nutritional Development Services of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. So many people are in need, and as a former client of the pantry, I know how they feel. I now work at the pantry, and I love what I do. I enjoy working with the community and helping people. **When you donate to the Catholic Charities Appeal, you are helping put food on the table for families in need. You are making a difference and helping to change someone's life.**" – Blanca, Volunteer, St. Helena Food Pantry

Nutritional Development Services has 50 food cupboards and outreach programs throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Last year, they served 1.8 million meals to those most in need.





CLERGY



Hope and Care for Retired Priests

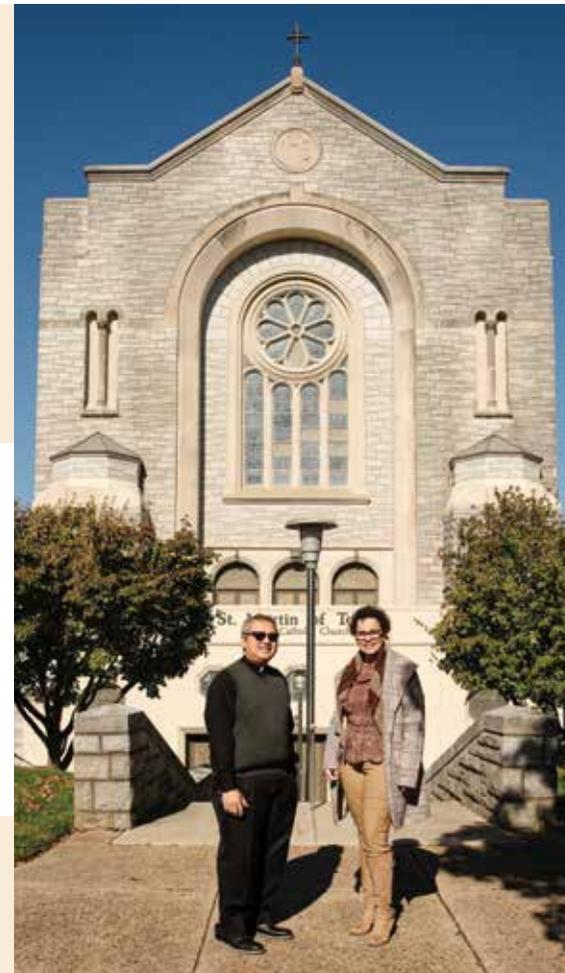
"I have been blessed to be a priest in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia for the last 49 years. I had the desire to be a missionary, and I knew I didn't have to go to the other side of the world to accomplish this because there was a great need right here in Philadelphia. Even now that I am recently retired, I continue my work as the Vicar for Hispanic Catholics. These communities are so important to our Archdiocese. We are held responsible by the Lord Himself to provide all that we can for these people no matter where they come from, no matter what language they speak, and no matter the color of their skin.

Now that I am retired, I am residing at Regina Coeli. The retired priests are very grateful for the care they receive at both Regina Coeli and Villa Saint Joseph. Priests give their lives for the Church and the people, and it's important that they are cared for as they move into the last chapter of their lives.



Thank you to all of those who donate to the Catholic Charities Appeal. Because of your dollars, the Archdiocese can provide for the less fortunate. **The Appeal is a way for every person to connect with the work of the Church and to live out their faith by helping those in need.**" – Most Reverend Edward D. Deliman, Retired Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia

Many elderly priests who have given their lives in service to the faithful of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia now have health issues, physical disabilities and need care and support. There are currently 121 retired priests within the Archdiocese.



LOCAL MISSION ACTIVITIES



Serving a Unique Community

"St. Martin of Tours Parish is a unique place. Our parish has five distinctive communities: English, Spanish, Brazilian, Q'eqchi and the Neocatechumenal Way. Each Mass is just as it would be in their native country. The parish supports each community but also helps them understand our traditional Mass so everyone can continue to work together. Each of these groups not only proclaims the word of God, but they also help to bring new people into the Church.

The mission of St. Martin of Tours Parish is to support people no matter where they come from. This parish provides food, shelter, employment,

and even healthcare to those parishioners in need. Our food pantry mainly comes from donations from the parishioners. They support us with different ethnic foods because we are a part of so many different cultures. We help a lot of families.

When you support the Catholic Charities Appeal, you are helping Mission Parishes like St. Martin of Tours. **Our parish is an anchor in our community – we could not provide the vital services to our parishioners without your donations. Every little bit will help and make a difference.**" – Becky, Community Liaison, St. Martin of Tours Parish

There are 18 Mission Parishes within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Without CCA donations, these parishes would not survive. These parishes are anchors in their communities.



EVANGELIZATION, PARISH, AND SPIRITUAL LIFE



A New Home Brings Hope

“My husband and I have four beautiful children. Our oldest daughter, Mary Grace, has cerebral palsy and multiple disabilities. Mary Grace is amazing, and I think when you have a child with special needs, you are forever wishing that the world would see them the same way that you do every day. It was important for us to make sure she was welcomed into our parish community and the Office for Persons with Disabilities in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia helped make that possible. From the moment we were connected to the office, they were champions for Mary Grace. Because of our positive experience, we started a ministry at our parish to help other families like ours. It’s essential for a parent to have their child seen as an individual and that their faith journey is supported. It is now a goal of our

parish to let everyone know we are here and that our Church community is accessible

Our parish feels like home. I know for many families; Church is a challenge. A lot of life is a challenge. It was so important to us to be welcomed, and that Mary Grace was seen and recognized for the person she is, and that she’s different. When you give to the Catholic Charities Appeal, you are helping the Office for Persons with Disabilities support families by receiving the vital resources they need. **Our daughter is welcomed and valued, and that was made possible through the support of the Catholic Charities Appeal.**”

– Sheila, Beneficiary, Office for Persons with Disabilities



The Office for Persons with Disabilities & the Deaf Apostolate fosters the full inclusion of persons with all disabilities into the Church in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. This office serves as a pastoral resource for parishes, families, and individuals to provide welcome and access to persons with disabilities.



GIVING SOCIETIES

Our Giving Societies celebrate those who answer the call to give hope to our brothers and sisters in need in an exceptionally generous way.

ARCHBISHOP'S CIRCLE

Annual Gift of \$50,000+

"Actions that demonstrate tremendous heart and deep compassion bring hope into the lives of our many brothers and sisters in Christ in need of light." – Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez, D.D.

Gifts of this magnitude come from your deep commitment, love of your faith, and a profound desire to help those in need.

SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL CIRCLE

Annual Gift of \$25,000 - \$49,999

"Charity means to live by the Spirit. If we love one another, God lives in us." – Saint Katharine Drexel

Your exceptional gift at this level, given in the spirit of Saint Katharine Drexel, is a remarkable testament to her enduring legacy.

SAINT JOHN NEUMANN CIRCLE

Annual Gift of \$10,000 - \$24,999

"Children, let us love not in word or speech but indeed and truth." (1 John 3:18)

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL CIRCLE

Annual Gift of \$5,000 - \$9,999

"And now there remain faith, hope, and charity, these three: but the greatest of these is charity." (First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians 13:13)

STEWARDS CIRCLE

Annual Gift of \$2,500 - \$4,999

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." (1 Pt 4:10)

All Giving Society members, unless otherwise requested, will be listed as a member on CatholicPhilly.com, the Catholic Charities Appeal website, and in the Catholic Charities Appeal Annual Report.



WAYS TO GIVE

Besides gifts of cash, you may contribute in many other ways, each offering tax advantages according to their circumstances:

PLEDGE GIFT – A gift to the 2023 Catholic Charities Appeal may be paid over a period of months. You can set this up at catholiccharitiesappeal.org/donate or by using a response card. Once established, we are happy to provide you with monthly installment reminders.

ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER (EFT) – This can be arranged through your bank or online through our website at catholiccharitiesappeal.org/donate.

GIFTS OF SECURITY – A gift of appreciated securities is one way to make a significant contribution at a reduced cost to you. Federal tax laws allow a charitable deduction for the full market value of securities on the date of your gift. Visit catholiccharitiesappeal.org/stock to learn more today.

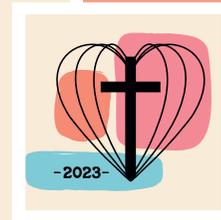
MATCHING GIFTS – Would you like to double or even triple the impact of your gift? The wide array of Catholic Charities Appeal beneficiaries allow your donation to be eligible for most corporate matching gift programs.

Some programs may require that your gift be designated to a specific beneficiary, but we are happy to help guide you through the steps to secure a corporate match for your donation. Email matching@thecfcp.org for more information.

PLANNED GIFTS – By making a planned gift to the Catholic Charities Appeal, you are ensuring that you leave a lasting legacy of faith and charity. Gift planning allows individuals to incorporate estate and financial planning with their long-term philanthropic goals. Planned gifts include bequests, charitable gift annuities, trust instruments, and gifts of retirement or life insurance assets. These gifts offer many financial and tax benefits to you and your loved ones. Visit catholiccharitiesappeal.org/plannedgiving to learn more today.

Please consult with your tax advisor on the tax treatment of all gifts, as they may vary from individual to individual.

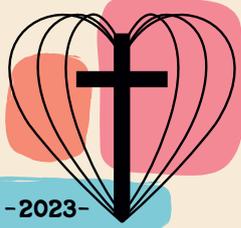
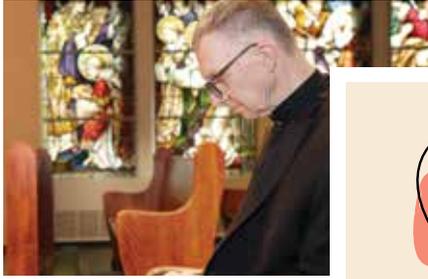
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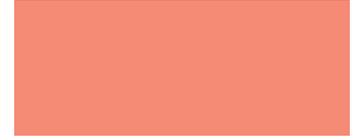
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