

2022 REPORT OF GRATITUDE



Together as  
Catholics...



ANNUAL  
CATHOLIC

Appeal

“ Together as Catholics  
we accompany others,  
with the mercy of Jesus. ”

This year more than 380,000 men, women and children have been helped through generous support of the Annual Catholic Appeal. \$4.3 million has been pledged so far from Catholics throughout the 20 counties of our diocese.



+Jaime Soto  
*Bishop of Sacramento*

COVER: Tina felt helpless to help her tenants during Covid 19. Catholic Charities of Yolo-Solano provided rental assistance and more.

The 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal ends January 31, 2023

# Every time

someone found a home and healing...



...you made  
a difference.

Caseworkers are grateful for the ability to have helped Donna and so many others on the brink of homelessness and struggling with mental illness. Donna was welcomed into NVCSS-owned housing with open arms. Affordable housing and financial assistance provided sustainable, independent living: a precious alternative to homelessness and declining chronic illness.

## 468 people

found affordable housing and support  
from *Northern Valley Catholic Social Service*

# Every time

a family overcame great hardship...



...you made  
a difference.

Anna agonized over costs to commute to her daughter's monthly blood transfusions and feeding her family. Asking for help was hard. Yet she's grateful to Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services for the physical and emotional support they provided. Today she extends lessons of kindness in her job serving the homeless.

**220** organizations  
partnered with *Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services* to help others feed their families

# Every time

the value of life was upheld...



...you made  
a difference.

Women and men facing unplanned pregnancy found judgement-free support and resources to make an informed decision about their situation. From shelter for pregnant women with nowhere to go, to comprehensive medical services, support from the Appeal helped devoted organizations to continue their life-saving work.

**2,000** pregnancies  
were supported by *Sacramento Life Center, Bishop Gallegos and Mother Teresa Maternity Homes*

# Every time

someone learned to make healthy choices...



...you made a difference.

When people are able to provide healthy meals for themselves and their families, their stability in life improves physically and emotionally. Catholic Charities of Yolo-Solano vigorously supported individuals and families with access to food security and nutrition classes that taught how healthy food choices can become a way of life.

**4,656** people accessed food, rent and more from *Catholic Charities of Yolo-Solano*.

# Every time

a parish gave love and hope to others...



...you made a difference.

Parishes with St. Vincent de Paul ministries provided basic necessities and much more. Volunteers like Reina, for instance, are paired with women coming out of incarceration. She sees Jesus in her mentees and helps them through the difficulties of rejoining society. Osvaldo, is grateful to his mentor. He now has a full-time job and a plan for the future. "I have the backbone of society on my side" he says.

**66,000** people were helped by fifty-two *St. Vincent de Paul* parishes in our diocese.

Every time

a child could stay in Catholic school...



...you made  
a difference.

Catholic schools provide faith-based values and innovative education. Schools in economically-challenged neighborhoods cannot make ends meet on their own. Every year, the Appeal helps bridge the gap between the need for tuition assistance and available support.

**10** Catholic Schools

depend on periodic funding from the Appeal to supplement tuition assistance.

Every time

a seminarian moved closer to ordination...



...you made  
a difference.

Support from the Appeal helped Seminarian Erik Pereira to become Father Erik Pereira this past June. As a newly-ordained priest, his motivation is to help people understand what their vocation is. "I've had a personal encounter with Christ. I want to give that to the people...to be that voice that points others to Christ...to walk with them in their pain and joy."

**11** seminarians

are in formation to serve as priests in our diocese.

# Every time

someone gave to the Appeal...

## ...charities could help people who are

mentally ill • homeless • disaster survivors • immigrants • elderly  
developmentally-disabled • inmates • working families • refugees  
at-risk youth • the unborn • pregnant women • hungry • single parents

## ...programs could provide

Counseling • Emergency food • Shelter and clothing • Permanent and transitional housing  
Job training • Pregnancy counseling • Post and prenatal care • Independent living skills  
Mentoring • Parenting skills • After-school care • Refugee resettlement  
Citizenship and immigration services • Jail ministry

## ...parishes could extend help

- St. Vincent de Paul ministries kept going
- Wildfire survivors were helped with recovery
  - Families received tuition assistance
- Families were helped with funeral expenses
  - Local charities were supported
  - Rent and utility bills were paid
- Families were helped with job security

“Your generosity allowed 18 charities to provide  
**instant and meaningful response**  
to men, women and families.”

Unlike many other sources, funds from the Annual Catholic Appeal can be used for the most urgent needs as they arise. As the pandemic, wildfires and the escalating homeless crisis continue to affect our communities, Appeal donors truly make a difference, particularly now.



Miriam Sammartino  
*Director of Catholic Charities  
and Social Concerns  
Diocese of Sacramento*



## 50% supports charities



### MEMBERS

**Catholic Charities of Yolo-Solano Northern Valley Catholic Social Service:** Butte, Glenn, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama and Trinity  
**Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services:** Greater Sacramento

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

**Camp ReCreation:** Serving Northern California  
**Mother Teresa Maternity Home:** Placerville  
**Rancho Cordova Food Locker:** Greater Sacramento  
**Upper Room Dining Hall:** Placerville

### PARTNERS

**Anderson-Cottonwood Christian Assistance**  
**Bishop Gallegos Maternity Home:** Sacramento  
**Catholic Ladies Relief Society:** Chico  
**Community Assistance Network:** Greenville, Portola, Quincy  
**Loaves and Fishes:** Sacramento  
**Sacramento Life Center:** Greater Sacramento  
**Salvation Army Food Shelf:** Susanville  
**Society of St. Vincent de Paul**  
7 District Councils: North State, Placer/Yuba/Sutter/Butte, Sacramento East, South Sacramento/Elk Grove, Sacramento Metro Area, Yolo/Delta, Solano  
**Stanford Settlement Neighborhood Center:** Sacramento  
**Wellspring Women's Center:** Sacramento  
**Yuba-Sutter Right-To-Life**

## 25% goes back to parishes

For social ministry at your parish

## 25% supports education

Seminarian formation and Catholic school tuition assistance



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