

2023 REPORT OF GRATITUDE

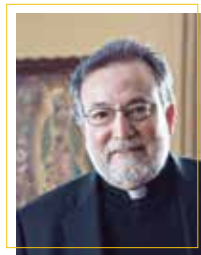


Together as
Catholics...



“ Together as Catholics
we restore dignity and hope
to those who suffer alone.”

This year more than 465,000 men, women and children have been helped through generous support of the Annual Catholic Appeal. \$4.2 million has been pledged so far from Catholics throughout the 20 counties of our diocese.



+Jaime Soto
Bishop of Sacramento

COVER: Nearly homeless and struggling with mental illness, Donna was welcomed into affordable housing through Northern Valley Catholic Social Service.

The 2023 Annual Catholic Appeal ends January 31, 2024

Every time

someone stood beside a foster child...



...you made
a difference.

As a Court Appointed Special Adocate (CASA) Izabel gives foster kids the voice they need in court to secure the best possible circumstances now and for the future. Once a foster child herself, she is devoted to ensuring positive outcomes for kids through this program administered with compassion by Northern Valley Catholic Social Service.

132 foster kids
are represented in court through
Northern Valley Catholic Social Service

Every time

families learned healthy habits...



...you made
a difference.

Kimberly is passionate about teaching healthy nutrition to people of all ages. She's a firm believer in the life-enhancing benefits of a healthy diet. Everything from basic nutrition, cooking demonstrations with recipes that can easily be prepared at home to strategies for cooking healthy meals on a budget are helping individuals and families to improve their lives.

26,450 people
accessed life-improving programs through
Catholic Charities of Yolo-Solano

Every time

a mother was helped with basic necessities...



...you made
a difference.

Nia is able to access basic necessities including diapers for her baby girl through a partner organization of Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services. SFB&FS offers individuals and families hope to step out of poverty through its extensive network of partner agencies. As costs continue to rise, the Appeal is critically important.

130 organizations
partnered with *Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services* to help individuals and families

Every time

a child could stay in Catholic school...



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.

...you made a difference.

10 Catholic Schools

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

Every time

a pregnancy was supported...



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.

...you made a difference.

2,400 pregnancies

were supported by *Sacramento Life Center, Bishop Gallegos Maternity Home and Northern Valley Catholic Social Service*

Every time

a parish nourished someone...



...you made a difference.

Yugi is currently unhoused and does what he can to make life easier for those living on the streets. He assembles meals twice weekly as a volunteer at St. Catherine's Parish. The parish partners with Catholic Charities of Yolo-Solano to ensure funds are there for the meals that are prepared and delivered with love and compassion.

450 unhoused people received a healthy meal twice-weekly through the Mensa-Christi program of St. Catherine's Parish in Vallejo

Every time

a seminarian moved closer to ordination...



...you made a difference.

Support from the Appeal helped Seminarian Eric Patrick to become Father Eric Patrick this past June. As a newly-ordained priest, his motivation is to be a conduit for the experience of God's mercy and love. "Self-knowledge together with knowledge of God leads us into a deeper relationship with God" and the ultimate ability to serve God as he wills.

12 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
instantly respond to those who suffer
in a meaningful way.”

Unlike many other sources, funds from the Annual Catholic Appeal can be used for the most urgent needs as they arise. Thank you for providing the resources that allow our local charities to respond with compassionate action that truly helps people turn their lives around.



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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