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Catholic Charities Appeal

-2023-

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Dear Friends in Christ,

"For 65 years...

The Catholic Charities Appeal (CCA) has embodied the spirit of Missionary Discipleship by giving hope to millions of people most in need throughout the five-county Philadelphia region.

As the largest fundraising initiative of our local Church, CCA supports over 180 programs and ministries that reflect God's love through action. Through the generosity of our donors, CCA's beneficiary organizations are able to serve one in five people who live in the City of Philadelphia as well as Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Montgomery Counties.

Despite ongoing economic challenges, we continue to blessed by your abundant generosity. We are deeply grateful to you for being one of 24,111 donors who contributed a combined \$8,546,072 to CCA in 2023. Your support demonstrates tremendous compassion and helps us provide for the poor, marginalized, and vulnerable in a way that preserves their grace and dignity.

We invite you to share the many joys made possible through CCA highlighted in this Annual Report. We are very proud of the work accomplished in "Giving Hope to All." Whether that hope came in the form of fresh, wholesome produce distributed from a community food cupboard, prenatal support for an expectant mother provided through a Family Services Center, or a child finding a loving foster family through our Foster Care & Adoption Services ministry, this report is just a glimpse of the transformative work being done every day. Thank you for being part of our incredible mission!

We are grateful for your steadfast faithfulness and generosity. May God bless you and your families abundantly.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, D.D. Archbishop of Philadelphia

Mr. Ernest W. Russom III

President, Catholic Charities Appeal

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Your support of the Catholic Charities Appeal has made a meaningful impact by strengthening the Programs and Offices that provide Evangelization and Parish and Spiritual Life to our community.



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

- CCA 2023 raised \$8,546,072 from 37,902 gifts
- There were 3,797 donors who have returned after being away for more than one year
- 748 donors were new to the Appeal
- The average gift* was \$251.13
- 54 Parishes exceeded their 2023 goal



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 catholic charities appeal org/beneficiaries.

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

CCA Special Initiatives

Nutritional Development Services (NDS): The need for food and food-related resources has grown significantly, affecting more individuals and children than ever before. In response, NDS expanded its reach to support those in need. We are thrilled to share that during the Thanksgiving season, \$242,420 was raised through 3,036 generous gifts as part of this essential partnership between the CCA and NDS.

Schools of Special Education: The Archdiocese of Philadelphia's three Schools of Special Education continue to provide exceptional care for God's most vulnerable children. Through the remarkable generosity of donors like you, over \$226,519 was contributed through more than 3,036 gifts. This past year presented many challenges, but your unwavering support ensured that children continued to receive the highest level of Catholic education, offering peace of mind to countless families.

Catholic Housing and Community Services: In a time when fear and uncertainty impacted many in our senior community, the need to support vital programs like Catholic Housing and Community Services was paramount. This initiative provides seniors with housing, meals, in-home support, mental health services, and more. Thanks to your extraordinary generosity, \$182,237 was raised through 2,349 gifts, bringing hope and care to our beloved seniors.

The Catholic Charities Appeal is committed to transparency and stewardship of your gifts. This is why we do our best to keep fundraising, administrative and investment fees low. With all expenditures included, the Appeal operates at an average efficiency of \$0.16 cents per dollar raised. As a recognized authority, the Better Business Bureau indicates that total fundraising expenses do not exceed \$0.35 cents per dollar raised. While the Catholic Charities Appeal's total costs are considerably below this benchmark, we continuously strive for additional fundraising efficiencies.

DISTRIBUTION PERCENTAGES



SOCIAL SERVICES 57%



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EDUCATION 13°



EVANGELIZATION 12
PARISH & SPIRITUAL LIFE



LOCAL MISSION ACTIVITIES 109



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The Catholic Charities Appeal is recognized as a non-profit institution. As such, all gifts are tax-deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. It has its own Employer Identification Number (EIN) and receives a separate financial audit. The Archdiocese of Philadelphia affirms that no funds donated during this Appeal will be used to support the independent reconciliation and reparations program or associated expenses.

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BENEFICIARY HIGHLIGHTS

"Thanks to the generosity of Catholic Charities Appeal donors, the Office of Persons with Disabilities expanded its programming to include a bilingual, English/Spanish retreat for families with children with disabilities for the first time. During the Path of Hope retreat, activities were provided for children while their families were spiritually fed through the retreat sessions offered in their native language.

Additionally, the Mass for Persons with Disabilities, the Deaf Community, family, friends, and caregivers was a beautiful celebration of the gifts that individuals with disabilities have and how they share those gifts with others. The reception following the Mass always allows for an opportunity to experience the joy of community when all are truly valued and have a sense of belonging. None of these events would have been possible without the support of the Catholic Charities Appeal." - Natalie Rivera, M.Ed., Director of the Office for Persons with Disabilities and the Deaf Apostolate

Thanks to your donation to the CCA, you are helping over 100 students who attend the Schools of Special Education within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia receive tuition assistance and support.

"St. Martin of Tours Parish is a vital anchor in its neighborhood, serving English, Spanish, Brazilian, Q'eqchi, and Neocatechumenal Way communities. Each group celebrates Mass in their native traditions, fostering cultural identity and inclusivity. The parish promotes mutual understanding and collaboration among these diverse communities.

Beyond its spiritual mission, St. Martin of Tours supports individuals regardless of their background, offering essential services such as food, shelter, employment, and healthcare. The parish food pantry, supported by parishioner donations, caters to diverse culinary preferences, reflecting its commitment to inclusivity. As a mission parish, St. Martin of Tours helps newcomers find solace in the Church and offers invaluable aid to families. The Catholic Charities Appeal is instrumental in sustaining these vital services." - Becky Espinol, Community Liaison, St. Martin of Tours Parish

"If it were not for the generosity and support of the Catholic Charities Appeal, many seniors in our community would not have the opportunity to remain active, engaged in their communities, and living in safe affordable housing. Everything we do at Catholic Housing and Community Services reflects that all people are created in the image of God and poses an innate dignity. Our affordable housing, social services and senior centers truly transform lives. We are blessed to witness firsthand the profound, transformational impact these programs have on those who are so deserving of our respect and gratitude and yet are often forgotten. Thank you for making this work possible and for giving hope to our seniors." - Suzanne O'Grady Laurito, MSS, Director of Catholic Housing and Community Services.





BENEFICIARY HIGHLIGHTS

"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

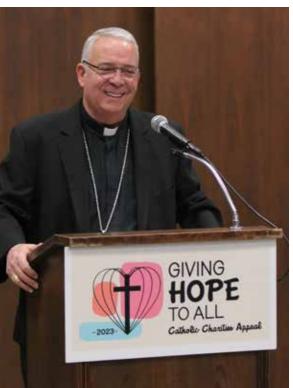


In Fiscal Year 2022-2023 the Equivalent of 1,895,410 million meals were distributed through the NDS Community Food Program.

"In communities across the country, and here in the Philadelphia area, finding and affording produce was challenging. In response to this disparity, Nutritional Development Services (NDS) sponsored pop-up distributions at churches, outreach sites, and community events so that all members of the community could eat healthier. At each distribution, a variety of quality fruits and vegetables were offered to patrons. NDS was grateful to be able to bring fresh produce to different communities because of funding and support from the Catholic Charities Appeal." - Liz Hagedorn, Director, Nutritional Development Services







EVENTS

Day of Service

On Saturday, April 15, 2023, the Office for Ministry with Young Adults, in collaboration with Catholic Social Services (CSS) and the Catholic Charities Appeal, hosted a Day of Service with Persons with Disabilities. Young adults volunteered at Don Guanella and Divine Providence Village, part of the Intellectual Disabilities Division of CSS, engaging in meaningful activities with the residents. They played games, shared conversations, and prayed together, fostering a spirit of community and compassion. The day provided an enriching experience for the volunteers and the residents, highlighting the importance of inclusion and support. This event exemplified the mission of the CCA to bring hope and help to those in need while encouraging young adults to participate in service and actively build connections within their community.

GGA Mass and Gelebration

On Sunday, March 19, 2023, Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez celebrated the Catholic Charities Appeal Mass of Thanksgiving at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul. Archbishop Pérez expressed profound gratitude to CCA supporters and emphasized the Appeal's mission to provide hope where it is needed most. Following the Mass, Archbishop Pérez and CCA board members hosted a reception for Giving Society donors to thank them for their incredible generosity. Donors had the opportunity to meet beneficiaries and learn how their gifts encourage, inspire, and support the poor, marginalized, and vulnerable throughout the Greater Philadelphia region.

GCA Night with Phillies

Catholic Charities Appeal Night at Citizens Bank Park was held on Friday, May 19, 2023. Thanks to the incredible generosity of CCA supporters, close to 800 tickets were sold. The evening featured Jay from Don Guanella, part of the Intellectual Disabilities Division of Catholic Social Services, throwing out the ceremonial first pitch, and NAME sang the National Anthem. Attendees enjoyed a thrilling game, cheering on the Phillies and celebrating the positive impact of their contributions. This fun-filled evening raised raising \$8,824 for CCA beneficiary programs.



INITAITIVES

Project Magie

Project Magis is a networking group of legal and financial services professionals dedicated to helping others in the local community by supporting the Catholic Charities Appeal. Through fundraising events, Project Magis assists people in need by addressing issues such as hunger, homelessness, addiction, and more. The Fifth Annual Project Magis Networking Reception, hosted by Cozen O'Connor, was held on Monday, October 16, 2023. The event attracted over 100 legal, M&A, corporate restructuring, and financial services professionals and raised \$110,125 for the Catholic Charities Appeal, specifically for the Developmental Programs of Catholic Social Services. During the reception, the Magis Award was presented to Regina Stango Kelbon, Esq., Partner at Blank Rome LLP, by Bishop John McIntyre and CCA Board President Ernie Russom, recognizing her exceptional contributions to the community.

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#iGiveCatholic

For the fourth year in a row, the Catholic Charities Appeal participated in #iGiveCatholic, a global Catholic day of giving. This initiative was made possible through a partnership with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and The Catholic Foundation of Greater Philadelphia. The CCA is thrilled to have topped the leaderboard both nationally and locally, thanks to the incredible generosity of 2,064 donors, raising an impressive \$540,628.53!

The CCA is deeply grateful to all those who supported the Appeal during this special day of Catholic giving. Your generosity allows the CCA to provide essential support, such as feeding hungry families, offering quality Catholic education to children with special needs, providing safe housing for seniors, giving the homeless access to shelter, and so much more.

On behalf of the numerous CCA beneficiaries impacted by your kindness, thank you!

The Gatholic Charities
Appeal of the Archdiocese
of Philadelphia supports
Catholic Social Services,
one of the top providers
of social services in the
Philadelphia area. In
2023, CSS's work
positively impacted over
650,000 people.

GIVING SOCIETIES

The Catholic Charities Appeal is the Archdiocese of Philadelphia's single most important fundraiser. Started in 1958 to help fund social service programs, the Appeal has grown to benefit over 180 organizations and programs helping hundreds of thousands of people in need across the region, regardless of their faith. When you support the Catholic Charities Appeal, you are directly impacting our beneficiaries. The following Giving Societies were established to celebrate the generosity and commitment of our donors like you. Without you, the CCA would not have been able to raise over \$8,500,000 helping hundreds of thousands in need. Thank you for your generosity and dedication to the Catholic Charities Appeal.



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2023 might not be received by the Appeal in the same calendar year.

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PARISH SUPPORT

There are over 200 parishes in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia and their support of the Catholic Charities Appeal is crucial to the success of the initiative. We are grateful to all the parishioners who have supported the Appeal and are especially thankful to the 54 parishes who exceeded their 2023 goal!

*Parish exceeded their 2023 goal





\$100,000 AND ABOVE

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