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BENEFICIARIES

Gifts made to the Catholic Charities Appeal will provide necessary support to tens of thousands of people. These individuals are served by a myriad of organizations, programs and ministries throughout the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. The beneficiaries of the Catholic Charities Appeal are grouped into five key areas:

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

To see a full listing of 2020 beneficiaries, please visit catholiccharitiesappeal.org.

to all the services my family receives, the Deaf Apostolate provides religious education for Deaf children and a two-week summer camp. It's wonderful that Deaf ministry here in Philadelphia provides so many amazing opportunities for the Deaf community. Their office has truly made a difference in our family's life and their work is so vital to our community.

– Eva, Office for the Deaf Apostolate beneficiary



Giving Hope to Eva

I became Deaf when I was about three years old. After graduating elementary school, I felt disconnected from God because there were no services and Mass accessibility for the Deaf. After my husband and I were married, I found out about The Office for Persons with Disabilities & the Deaf Apostolate and was finally able to make my connection with God; that led me to go through the process of becoming Catholic. The Deaf Apostolate is such an amazing support system for our family. We have two sons who attend Mater Dei Catholic School. Sister Kathleen and Father Sean have been so incredible in connecting with the school and providing interpretation for school events, teacher conferences, and so much more. It is also so nice to have a priest who knows American Sign Language. We can go to confession, talk to him privately, and be fully involved in the Mass. Our language is so unique, and the office really helps us to understand the meaning behind the Bible and God's word in our own language – it enables us to be closer to Him.

It is important that people support the Catholic Charities Appeal because donations provide so many different opportunities for our community. In addition



The Deaf Apostolate provides pastoral care, sacramental preparation, religious education, and a regular schedule of Masses in American Sign Language with the Catholic community who are deaf or hard of hearing. The Deaf Apostolate serves over 900 families with Deaf members.

WAYS TO GIVE

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. Besides gifts of cash, donors to the 2020 Catholic Charities Appeal may contribute in many other ways, each offering tax advantages according to their circumstances:

- Pledge Gift
- Gifts of Cash
- Matching Gifts
- Electronic Fund
- Transfer (EFT)
- Gifts of Security
- Planned Gifts

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