

Catholic Charities

Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc.

2015 Annual Report



Merciful Like The Father

“In this Holy Year...let us open our eyes and see the misery of the world, the wounds of our brothers and sisters...and let us recognize that we are compelled to heed their cry for help...Let us rediscover these corporal works of mercy: to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, heal the sick...they will serve as the criteria upon which we will be judged.”

*— Pope Francis I
Bull of Indiction of the Extraordinary Jubilee Year
March 13, 2015*

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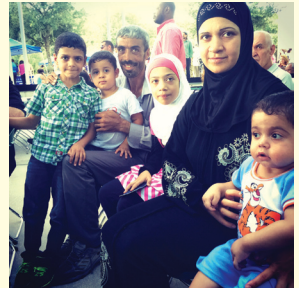
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Our Clients' Stories



Maria arrived in Florida 10 years ago from New York after her fiancé, former major league baseball player Ken Caminiti, suffered a fatal heart attack, leaving her penniless. After moving about, she found herself homeless. She then learned of and moved into Catholic Charities' new homeless Dade City shelter, Bethany Family Apartments, with her 3 sons. Today, Maria has her GED and is close to earning her driver's license. She has been so dependable and helpful to the staff that she was recently named resident manager and is now responsible for the 12-unit facility after-hours. Maria is continuing her education and will seek employment as a social worker.

This family of six, husband, wife and four children (3 boys and 1 girl) arrived in Tampa from the Middle East after being evicted from their home and escaping to Turkey. Through our Refugee Resettlement program, the family is integrating into the community. Walid has a job, the children are in school and he and his wife are learning English. The family is finally settling in having moved into a home. Walid states: "My dreams are very simple. I want to be a good citizen. I want my kids to be able to go to school and get educated."



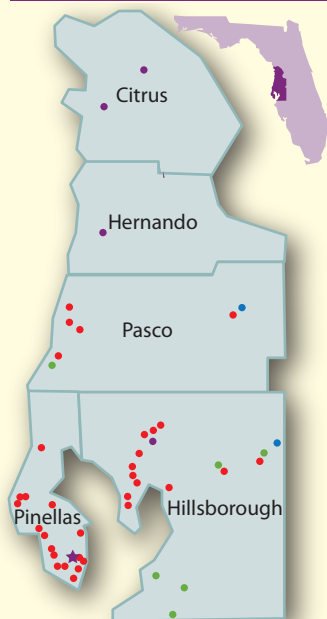
Mark and Carol were typical middle-class Americans. Then, Carol was diagnosed with cancer and shortly after Mark lost his job. Unable to afford medical insurance and using their life savings to pay Carol's bills, they soon lost their home. They entered Catholic Charities' Pinellas Hope homeless shelter two years ago. Mark quickly landed a job in the auto industry. He and Carol signed a lease and moved to the Pinellas Hope II apartments where they reside today, working to rebuild their finances. Thankful for Pinellas Hope and for Carol's recovery, their faith in God is stronger than ever and has led them to encourage others dealing with similar struggles.

A Volunteer's Story

Sue has been a Foundations of Life volunteer for over three years. She was asked by a friend, the Dade City pregnancy center manager at the time, to help with fundraising. Sue's flexible job allows her to fill-in for full-time staffers when needed! Sue is so invaluable that the present center manager said: "I don't know what we'd do without Sue! She's one of our Catholic Charities family." Sue loves the centers' mission of "support for life" and claims she benefits more than the clients as volunteering allows her to "step outside of myself and think of others." She says she's a "happier person, more fulfilled." And of those she helps, including an 11 year old raped by her mother's boyfriend and another adult rape victim, she says they "come in afraid; unsure we can help", but leave certain in their decisions to give birth. Sue loves their ultimately happy stories and at those times knows "I'm in the right place."



Our Programs and Locations



LEGEND

★ - Headquarters

Blue - Foundations of Life

Green - Friends in Need

Red - Shelters of Hope

Purple - Multi-Ministry Site

		Pinellas	Hillsborough	Pasco	Hernando	Citrus	Clients Served / Results
Foundations of Life	Foundations of Life Pregnancy Center	●	●	●	●		2,003
	Knights Women's Center		●				32 babies saved
	Project Rachel (post abortive counseling)	●	●	●	●	●	142
	Catholic Charities Adoption Services	●	●	●	●	●	261 / 13 adoptions
Shelters of Hope	Homeless Housing/Shelter & Services	●	●	●			2,284 / 13 vets
	Catholic Charities Family Housing	●	●	●			1,295
	Catholic Charities Senior Housing	●	●	●			1,016
Friends in Need	Immigration & Refugee Services	●	●	●	●		2,170 / 452
	Medical & Respite Care	●	●	●	●	●	1,540 / 37
	Financial & Life Skills Counseling	●	●	●	●	●	1,167
	Outreach Center Assistance				●	●	1,153
	Disaster Relief Services	●	●	●	●	●	n/a

Unduplicated Clients 14,300+

Client Contacts 136,000+

About Us

History

Catholic Charities was created in 1945 by Bishop Joseph P. Hurley as the Tampa Office for Charity. It was operated under the auspices of the Diocese of St. Augustine as one of three regional offices, collectively known as Diocesan Catholic Charities, under the charter of the Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc. It was created to relieve the burden on Catholic parishes which were struggling to meet the needs of the poor in their communities at the end of World War II. The present Catholic Charities was created as a nonprofit corporation in June 1968 when the Diocese of St. Petersburg was established reporting to Bishop Charles B. McLaughlin. Since then Catholic Charities has evolved under seven Executive Directors and three more Bishops, including our present Bishop, the Most Reverend Robert N. Lynch.

Mission Statement

Catholic Charities serves with charity and compassion to promote the sanctity and dignity of all people with God. As a member of Church, Catholic Charities offers hope by helping those in need and unites with others in service.

Value Statement

Catholic Charities makes a Commitment to Serve all people with Respect, Compassion and Cooperation in the spirit of a unifying God.

Programs and Services

Catholic Charities' mission is driven by the Gospel mandate to serve those most in need among us by making manifest Christ's corporal works of mercy. Over the past 70 years, Catholic Charities has provided strategic alliances, advocacy and a broad array of the highest quality social services designed to preserve families, and promote self-sufficiency and social justice. At its origin, the Agency focused on Child Welfare (foster care and adoption services in response to the impact of the war and the resulting death, desertion or neglect of parents); service to Unmarried Mothers and the Elderly; Public Welfare (for families receiving public assistance); and Family Welfare (to help preserve the dignity of the home). Today, Catholic Charities operates three ministries under the *Ministries of Mercy* umbrella: *Foundations of Life*, *Friends in Need*, and *Shelters of Hope*. Catholic Charities supports these services through a variety of revenue sources including local, state and federal governmental funds and grants, the United Way and Diocese of St. Petersburg contributions, personal donations, private grants, and program fees.

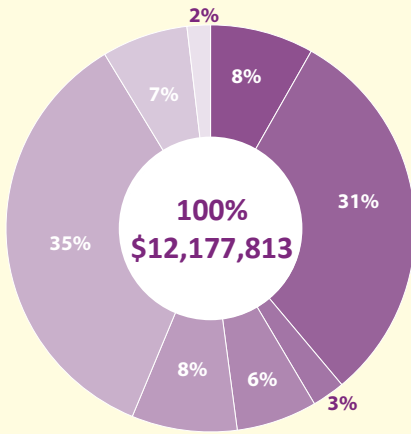
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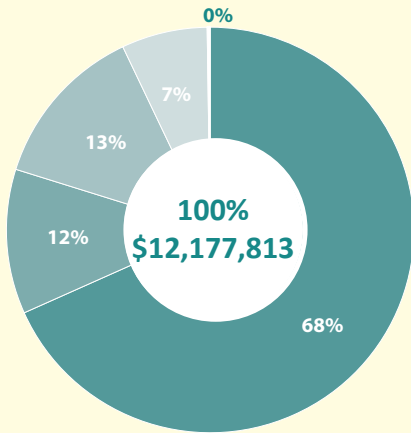
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Financial Information



Revenue

Diocese of St. Petersburg	\$1,000,000
Grants	\$3,736,522
United Way	\$317,809
Contributions/Fundraising	\$779,584
Program Service Fees	\$1,019,351
Rent Related Income	\$4,266,944
In-Kind Revenues	\$831,665
Other Income	\$225,938



Expenses

Program Expenses	\$8,320,543
Fundraising & Admin Costs	\$1,400,010
Occupancy	\$1,595,697
In-Kind Expenses	\$831,665
Net Increase from Operations	\$29,898

100% Financial Transparency Score from Charity Navigator

Over 88% of all Funds go directly to our clients through our services and programs



Message from our Executive Director and Bishop

“Hence mercy, whereby we supply others’ defects is a sacrifice more acceptable to [God], as conducing more directly to our neighbor’s well-being, according to Hebrews 13:16: “Do not forget to do good and to impart, for by such sacrifices God’s favor is obtained.”

~St. Thomas Aquinas - The Summa Theologica



Dear Friends of Catholic Charities,

Earlier this year Pope Francis announced the Catholic Church will begin its Jubilee Year of Mercy on December 8th “to rediscover the richness encompassed by the spiritual and corporal works of mercy.” This announcement comes as we recognize Catholic Charities 70th anniversary of work in our area of Central Florida providing corporal works of mercy to the poor and vulnerable through strategic alliances and a broad array of social services designed to support and preserve families and promote self-sufficiency. Created In 1945 as the Tampa Office for Charity under the auspices of the Diocese of St. Augustine, Catholic Charities’ goal was to relieve the burden on Catholic parishes which were struggling to meet the needs of their poor. One central charity allowed the Church to more efficiently carry out its important works of mercy; including caring for orphans, feeding the hungry, nursing the sick and elderly, and sheltering the homeless. In 1968 the Diocese of St. Petersburg was established and Catholic Charities was created in its present form as a non-profit corporation.



In 2015 Catholic Charities is a \$13 million operation, with 176 employees and over 300 volunteers serving more than 15,000 residents. During our 70 years of mercy, we have operated under 3 broad umbrella ministries of mercy - Foundations of Life, Shelters of Hope and Friends in Need - that allow us to live out the gospel mandate, making the Church more visible, welcoming and spiritual.

Pope Francis’ recent visit to the United States brought incredible attention to our work as he shared his message of a mercy and his vision of service to those in need. In his address to Congress Francis emphasized how “religious denominations have greatly contributed to building and strengthening society”. Francis further stated “Our efforts must aim at restoring hope...and... promoting the well-being of all individuals and of peoples. We must move forward together, as one, in a renewed spirit of fraternity and solidarity, cooperating generously for the common good.” During his visit with the homeless at Catholic Charities he said, “We can find no social or moral justification, no justification whatsoever, for lack of housing. The Son of God came into this world as a homeless person. The Son of God knew what it was to start life without a roof over his head.” As we enter our Year of Mercy in 2016, we celebrate our Holy Father’s words. These are at the core of our mission and values, as we are called to extend Christ’s healing ministry to children, families, seniors and all suffering persons. We recognize and thank the amazing people — the Diocese, our donors, volunteers, staff, and partners — whose dedication and generosity has made our mission possible.

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Mark Dufva
Executive Director

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Most Reverend Robert N. Lynch
Bishop of the Diocese of St. Petersburg