

## Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at All Souls Catholic Church

Annual Report: Oct. 1, 2023 – Sept. 30, 2024



### Spiritual Life

- This conference offered thirteen (13) Masses for Vincentian intentions.
- The Spiritual Advisor provides Vincentian direction during Conference Meetings and daily prayers through email.
- One member sends out prayer requests through email when requested by community members, parishioners, or Vincentian members.
- Four Spirituality meetings were held.
- Members recited the Divine Mercy Chaplet before all conference meetings.
- 27 Vincentians attended Ozanam Training, and 19 Vincentians attended Home Visit training.
- Three members attended the SVDP National Convention in Phoenix, AZ.
- 10 members attended the Bishop's Mass of Recommitment held for our Council.

### Cases/Assistance

- 2298 individuals were helped by providing \$83,190.58 in direct assistance.
- 538 food orders valued at \$69,832.00 and other in-kind services valued at \$3,074.98.
- Total cash and in-kind services for 2023-24 was valued at \$156,097.56.
- Christmas Angel Tree served 183 children who received three to four gifts each which totaled \$6,925.
- Four scholarships of \$1,000 each went to graduating high school seniors and five 2<sup>nd</sup> year college students for a total of \$9,000.00.
- The total income for 2023-2024 was \$108,954.89 and our expenses were \$106,865.17. The income does not include the monies that were carried over from the previous year which were \$26,744.61.

### Food Assistance

- Weekly donations of food from All Souls Catholic Church parishioners were 10,555 items valued at \$39,160.00.
- Monthly food donations from All Souls School were 1,293 items valued at \$4,194.00.
- Three food drives were held by the Knights of Columbus in which 7,528 items were donated with a value of \$29,629.00.
- Food was donated by Council of Catholic Women (CCW) for 110 items valued at \$358.
- Partnered with the Knights of Columbus at Christmas providing 45 families with pork butts, \$75 store gift cards and a bag of canned foods. At Easter we again partnered with the Knights to provide 15 families with a pork butt and a \$30 store gift card along with a bag of canned foods.
- At Thanksgiving, we gave 18 families turkeys and bags of canned goods for their holiday meal.
- Held 2 Rescue Mission meals for those who are sheltered at the Mission.

- A total of 20,027 items valued at \$75,003.00.

### **Clothing Assistance**

- Provided \$1,107.46 in clothing to 19 people through the SVDP Thrift Store and some other purchased clothing.
- SVDP Thrift Store Truck in Apopka collected items weekly from two drop off bins at All Souls Catholic Church.
- Featured the SVDP Thrift Store Truck during weekends three times collecting clothing, shoes and household items.
- Sponsored a long sleeve shirt drive for field workers.
- Provided Washday Wednesday assistance four times to individuals in need of clean clothing.

### **Communication**

- Two general membership meetings were held monthly.
- Each month the case managers met as a group through the year except through the summer months.
- Weekly news items about SVDP were included in the All Souls church bulletin.
- Meetings were held with Fr. Jeremiah (Pastor) and the president three times.
- Events were advertised in our weekly church bulletin under the SVDP page, through church announcement, and using overhead slides before Mass.
- Sixty-four Vincentian members provided 9,809 hours of service and 45,059 miles in travel.
- One member is the Executive Director of the Diocesan Council's SVDP, one member is President of the Central North District, one is Treasurer of the Central North District, one is the VOP of the Central North District, three are formatters for our district (CN), one is on the Council Store Committee, and two are on the Council Finance Committee.
- The Social Committee held a Christmas Party in December, was active in helping with the Walk, and fellowship meetings.
- Four Spirituality meetings were held and fellowship with food was also part of the meeting.
- The president spoke to parishioners on two occasions before Mass – Parish Appreciation and Invitation to Serve.
- Pantry members held monthly luncheons together.

### **Fundraising**

- Our 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Friends of the Poor Walk raised \$37,836.44 with the support of 24 community members and 47 Vincentians.
- We held a Souper Supper mainly for the community raising \$1,476.00.
- Blingo was held bringing in \$1,357.10.
- Giving Boxes were instituted this year on 4 weekends. The total donations were \$6,501.75. The July box was designated to help fund our Mission Meals and the Sept. box was used to give a donation to the St. Peter Claver Prison Ministry.

### Community Activities

- Provided an Ice Cream Social for the All Souls School children and teachers.
- Held a Parish Appreciation for parishioners giving them refreshments after Mass.
- Two members volunteered a day each month to staff the SVDP Orlando Helpline for people in need.

At year end (9/30/24), All Souls Conference had a total of 83 members.

### **SVDP Dollar Assistance 10/1/2023 through 9/30/24**

<b>Assistance</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b># Served</b>
Car Insurance	\$ 1,611.20	9
Car Payments	2,455.87	8
Childcare	120.00	2
Clothing Purchased	82.46	2
Furniture from SVDP Store (Mattress)	838.71	2
Gift Cards	80.00	2
Household Goods	552.96	10
Housing	39,620.40	79
• Mortgages (4)     \$ 2,795.52		
• Motel (1)             80.00		
• Rent (73)            36,367.88		
• Rooming House (1) 377.00		
Prescription Medication	746.10	16
Purchased Food (Meats, eggs, bread, margarine)	1,600.00	*
(*this is included when pantry orders are given out)		
Storage Units	340.47	3
Telephone Service	1,046.14	12
Transportation	4,929.30	155
• Bus Passes (69)     \$ 839.00		
• Gas Vouchers (73)    2,015.00		
• Greyhound Tickets (10) 1,724.22		
• Uber (1)                35.00		
• Other (2)              316.08		
Utilities	28,384.58	139

Other	782.39	16
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<b>TOTAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>\$ 83,190.58</b>	
<b>TOTAL IN-KIND ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>72,906.98</b>	
<b>TOTAL ALL ASSISTANCE</b>	<b>\$156,097.56</b>	

**Households and Homeless helped 1,432**  
**New Neighbors 388 families**  
**Repeat 658**