## St. Vincent de Paul Update

## May 2025

St. Jude Parishioners,

Let us tell you about a hardworking mother who was recently helped by St. Jude Vincentians.

This mother left everything behind in another state when she fled an unsafe situation with her kids. She contacted the local SVdP Conference asking for rental assistance while she found a job. When St. Jude Vincentians went to visit her, they had to sit on the floor. The family had no furniture in the apartment.

This is the kind of situation where a small amount of assistance can prevent a family from spiraling into homelessness. With just a few hundred dollars of rent assistance, we helped this grateful neighbor get back on her feet. St. Jude Vincentians also gave her furniture and household goods as she organized the new apartment for her family.

In another case St. Jude Vincentians visited a disabled man who had his water shut off the day before. We immediately called the SVdP Treasurer, who personally drove a check to Union Hill Water District office, and the water was turned back on that same day.

These are examples of how SVdP, St. Jude Conference, helps needy neighbors in the Redmond area. We help families and individuals with what would be small obstacles to most of us, but large problems to someone who has limited income and then loses that income temporarily due to an accident, illness or job loss.

Would you help us? Have you considered joining St. Vincent de Paul Ministry? Jesus asked us to "bring good news to the poor." (Luke 4:18). We could use your help sharing the "good news" and blessings that we have with our less fortunate neighbors here in Redmond.

If the Spirit moves you, please contact Diane Murphy (see below) or come to one of our meetings at 7 PM in Lovett Hall on the third Thursday of each month.

Blessings,

St. Jude Vincentians

We appreciate your support and welcome you to join our ministry. You can donate to St. Vincent de Paul online <a href="here">here</a> and clicking fund 118-St. Vincent de Paul. If you wish to join our team of Vincentians, please contact Diane Murphy via email: <a href="mailto:svdp@stjude-redmond.org">svdp@stjude-redmond.org</a>