













Dear Friends and Supporters

What a wonderful year! As I write this letter, I feel honored to serve this community and recognize the compassion and commitment of all 219 of our team members at Catholic Charities West Michigan. Through these committed individuals we have accomplished incredible, life - changing things this year, including:

- Finding loving and safe homes for 48 children through our adoption services.
- Facilitating 18,882 behavioral health sessions.
- Providing 47,046 meals at God's Kitchen.
- Serving 15, 171 of our brothers and sisters in 26 different counties throughout West Michigan

Many new initiatives were taken this past year:

We remained committed to expanding our services through partnering with various organizations within the community. Our new God's Roamin' Kitchen serves at United Church Outreach Ministry, TrueNorth Community Services, our Muskegon office, and Green Apple Food Pantry weekly, allowing us to reach communities we weren't able to before.

After the DOBBS decision, we recognized an increased demand for our services to protect babies, support moms, strengthen families and heal those who are hurting from the pain of abortion. As a result of this, we gathered all of our programs under a new umbrella that exemplifies our commitment to this life-giving work; God's Village, which demonstrates visibly that we are here to walk alongside families in times of need, to help them thrive.

Along with the theme of protecting babies and supporting mothers, we joined the collective force of Catholics across our Diocese to support mothers and children on their journey to long term success and flourishment. Catholic Charities West Michigan is working with parishes to walk alongside mothers throughout their pregnancy and the early years of their child's life. Our goal is that every parish is a welcoming sanctuary for those who are pregnant or have young children. Parishes have begun to provide resources, support groups, spiritual accompaniment and referrals to community agencies to those in need.

Most recently, we have acquired a new space for our Grand Rapids Baby and Toddler Pantry, opening in the Creston Heights neighborhood. This space has allowed us to double the size of our baby pantry and pregnancy counseling staff. We are overjoyed with this new growth and the opportunity to serve more mothers, children and families.

Here at Catholic Charities, we are not just a social services agency, we feel deeply called to what we are doing. We recognize that our communities' needs have not subsided and we continue to push ourselves to help those in need. In order to make this happen we need you. We are still actively seeking volunteers, foster families and parish engagement to support our mission.

We are grateful for the committed foster homes we have for children in our care; however, we are still in need of 19 foster homes in Muskegon and Grand Rapids with an emphasis on families willing to care for siblings and teens. We also recognize the commitment of our volunteers and are always welcoming to those who feel called to serve with us. Through Walking With Moms in Need, we have been able to integrate ourselves into more parishes than ever. We hope to continue to build our parish engagement through community members like you who support our cause.

We could not do any of this important work without the generosity of our donors, who fund a large part of the programs and services we provide. Thank you for your faith in us. Your continued support makes the work we do possible.

Together, we are already accomplishing wonderful things in 2023.

Many blessings,

Daniel Bellay

David Bellamy, CEO

Catholic Charities West Michigan

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-Tamara



This year ...

WE SERVED

1,161

CHILDREN AND PARENTS THROUGH OUR BABY AND TODDLER PANTRIES

MOVED THE MARK ON ALARMING SAFETY
STATISTICS BY EDUCATING

83

PARENTS IN OUR SAFE SLEEP CLASSES AND

63

IN OUR CAR SEAT SAFETY CLASSES



"Trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be."

-St Teresa of Avila



Through our Behavioral Health programs ...

- Outpatient Mental Health
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Groups
- Substance Use Disorder Therapy
- Sexual Abuse Prevention Treatment
- Batterers Intervention/Anger Management Counseling

we facilitated...

18,882

behavioral health services to...

1,595

individuals.



Family Preservation

Family Preservation and Support Services assists and supports "at risk" families. In a non-traditional approach, intensive, strength-based, solution-focused counseling and family preservation services; are provided in the home.

34
different programs within our family preservation services provided counseling, training and support to
3,934 individuals





Child Welfare



foster children were cared for in 2022 through



100

foster homes



48

children were placed into loving homes through adoption



foster parents welcomed children into their homes



AmeriCorps Senior Services

Served 426 students through our Foster Grandparents program



and 79 seniors through our Senior Companions program



thanks to 90 dedicated volunteers





God's Kitchen Food Programs

Served 47,036 noon-time meals at God's Kitchen

Delivered 10,809 meals to those who are homebound

Served 6,000 meals to those in need through God's Roamin' Kitchen in Newaygo, Muskegon, Kentwood and Wyoming





This year, we...

Provided help & created hope for 15,171 individuals.

Offered 54 programs

Reached 26 counties, in 9 locations





Through...

219 employees

19 board and committee members

600 active volunteers





Event Highlights

Raising Hope

The launch of God's Village took center stage at our Raising Hope Dinner as we focused on offering dignity, respect, and support to mothers, fathers, and children with the mission of supporting the entire family unit. We hosted Leah Darrow as our keynote speaker - an international speaker, writer, wife to an Army Green Beret, and mom to six marvelous children. She spoke to our guests of human dignity and used her personal experiences to challenge the notion that abortion is necessary for women's success. Leah helped to highlight the importance of the support that God's Village offers in providing help and support to mothers, children, and families. The event set a new record as we were able to raise over \$200,000 for our vital programs.

Soup's On For All

Food, fellowship, and fun filled the B.O.B once again as we were able to gather in-person for Soup's On For All! Guests were able to savor delicious soups made by our God's Kitchen chefs as well as local restaurants, sample artisan breads donated by Panera, and select commemorative hand-painted soup bowls all while enjoying the entertainment provided by multiple live bands. With the help of our community, we were able to raise \$103,380 for our hungry neighbors in our West Michigan communities.

Holy Smokes

Barbeque, Beer, and Babies? At our third annual Holy Smokes BBQ competition, ticket holders were able to support our Muskegon St. Gianna Baby and Toddler Pantry while savoring delicious barbecue tastings from five area teams, sipping craft brews from Pigeon Hill, playing yard games, and enjoying live music. Thanks to the support of the community, we were able to raise over \$40,000 for our Muskegon St. Gianna Baby and Toddler Pantry.

Confident Kids

Torrential downpours did not keep us from celebrating our foster and adoptive children and their families at our second annual Confident Kids event! Over forty stylists, barbers, and braiders from across West Michigan gathered to donate their time and talents to help celebrate each child's unique identity and remind them how truly special they are as they prepared for the upcoming school year. Smiles were in abundance as families filled backpacks with school supplies and new books while enjoying snow cones from Kona Ice. Giggles resounded as kids took silly photos at the photobooth, enjoyed face painting and manicures, entered for some amazing raffle prizes and were able to leave with gift cards for free chicken sandwiches from Chick-fil-A.

Finances

Transparency in financial reporting is very important to us at Catholic Charities West Michigan. On these two pages, you will find assets, liabilities, and net assets as well as the breakdown of our revenue and expenses.

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	2022	2021
Cash	\$2,778,553	\$2,854,791
Accounts Receivable	1,223,656	1,397,324
Promises to Give	1,024,543	724,416
Prepaid Expenses	237,039	192,016
Property & Equipment	6,927,200	7,262,486
Beneficial Interest in Assets	1,000,377	1,146,888
Total	\$13,191,368	\$13,577,921

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$291,559	\$390,915
Accrued Liabilities	2,039,525	2,028,925
(Compensation, Wages, Other)		
Long-Term Debt	3,427,213	3,549,427
Total Liabilities	\$5,758,297	\$5,969,267

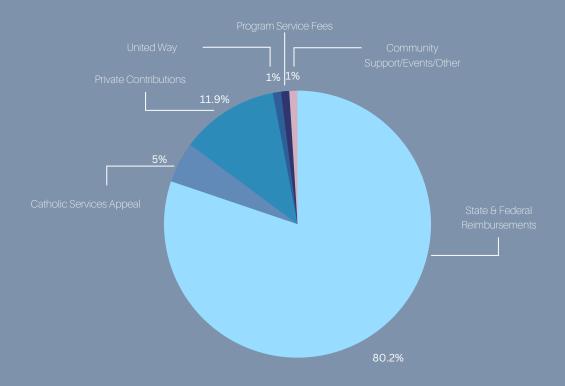
Net Assets

Without Donor Restrictions	\$4,822,141	\$5,378,991
With Donor Restrictions	2,610,930	2,229,663
Total Net Assets	\$7,433,071	\$7,608,654

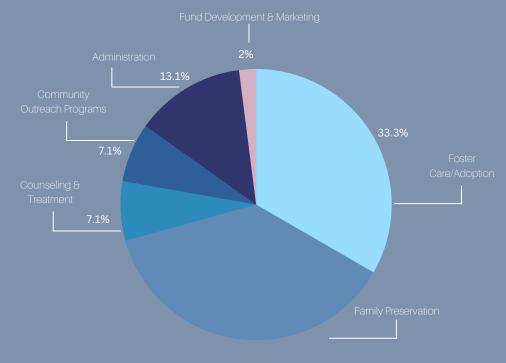
Liabilities & Net Assets

Fotal \$13.577.921

Revenue



Expenses





What's next...

Mobile Baby Pantry

At the start of the year, we began traveling to Osceola, Ottawa, Oceana, Lake, Ionia, Montcalm, and Newaygo counties to distribute free diapers, wipes, and creams to low-income families in need. These distributions have been very well received by our community, with several parents in tears over how grateful they are for the support from CCWM. Since its inception in January of 2023, the diaper distribution program has distributed diapers to 2,388 children throughout 9 counties. This includes 2,388 cases of diapers (or around 339,000 individual diapers) and the same number of wipes and diaper creams, saving families in West Michigan over \$90,0000.

New Grand Rapids Baby & Toddler Pantry

We are thrilled to announce that we have finalized a lease on our new St. Gianna Baby & Toddler Pantry on the North East side of Grand Rapids. At this storefront, mothers, fathers, and guardians can shop free of charge for baby and toddler clothing, diapers, wipes, formula, books, layettes, and maternity wear. We will also offer monthly car seat safety and safe sleep courses with incentive items for participants, along with mother support groups, lactation support, and more. Lastly, our baby pantry coordinators will act as advocates and community resource experts for parents visiting the pantry - bridging a gap for those struggling with transportation, employment, substance abuse domestic violence, and mental health.

Domestic Violence Informed Parenting and Support Program

Catholic Charities West Michigan has acquired a new program in Muskegon County entitled Domestic Violence-Informed Parenting and Support Program (DV-IPSP). This program is designed to focus specifically on families affected by domestic violence to ensure safety and prevent removals. DV-IPSP incorporates the principles of Safe and Together which offers a holistic, trauma-based approach and enables service providers to engage families more effectively. DV-IPSP also empowers the non-offending parent with new skills and support systems to help keep the family safe and ensure better outcomes. This program adds to our extensive list of preventative family support programs designed to assist mothers, fathers, and children to overcome their barriers and lead a healthy family life.



