



CATHOLIC  
CHARITIES  
WEST MICHIGAN



# 2022 Annual Report

WALK TO SCHOOL  
HAIR CARE EVENT





# 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 flourishing. 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.

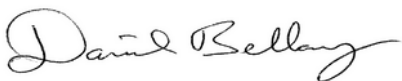
Here at Catholic Charities, we are not just a social services agency, we feel deeply called to what we are doing. We recognize that our communities' needs have not subsided and we continue to push ourselves to help those in need. In order to make this happen we need you. We are still actively seeking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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "David Bellamy". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized 'D' and 'B'.

David Bellamy, CEO  
Catholic Charities West Michigan

"It's faith based  
encouragement  
because not only  
saying I'm here  
they are also  
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-Tamara

St. Gianna Baby and Toddler Pantry, Muskegon



Tamara

Mother of two children

# 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







# 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



# The Lawson Family

Fostered and Adopted Zeke through CCWM

# Child Welfare



341

foster children were cared for in 2022

through



100

foster homes



48

children were placed into loving homes

through adoption



177

foster parents welcomed children into their  
homes



AmeriCorps Senior Services Prom



# 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





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Mother and Pregnancy Counseling Client

# This year, we...

Provided help & created hope for  
15,171 individuals.

Offered 54 programs

Reached 26 counties, in 9  
locations





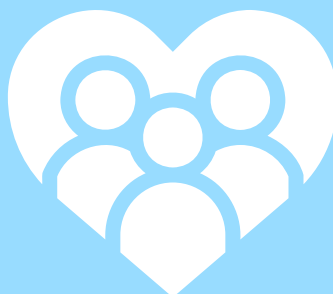


Through...

219  
employees

19  
board and committee  
members

600  
active volunteers





# Holy Smokes Event



# 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.

## Assets

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

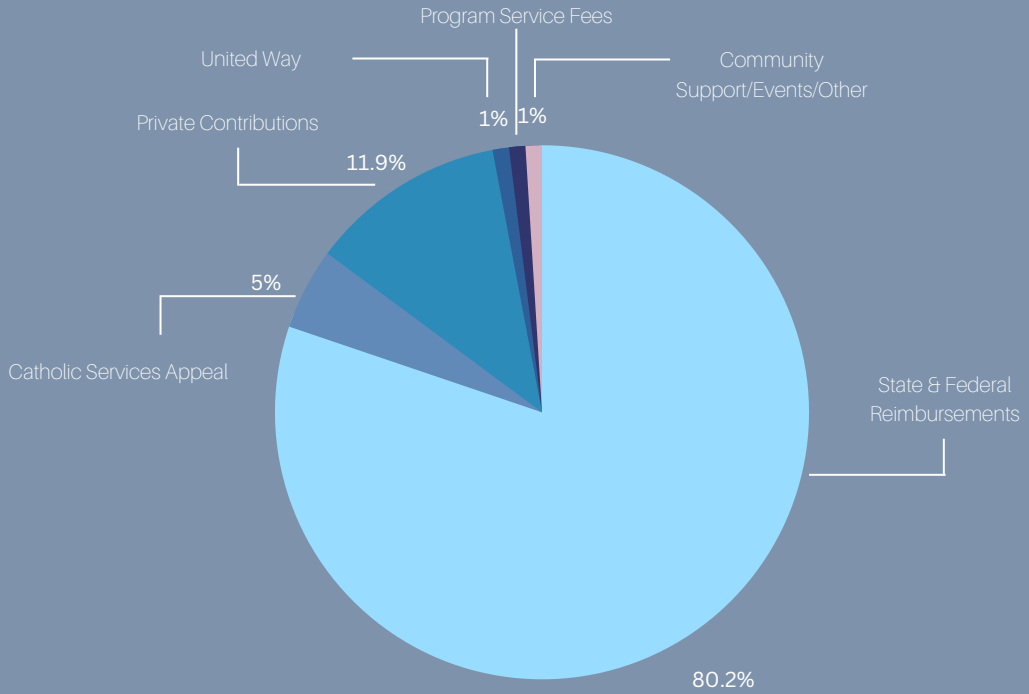
## Net Assets

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

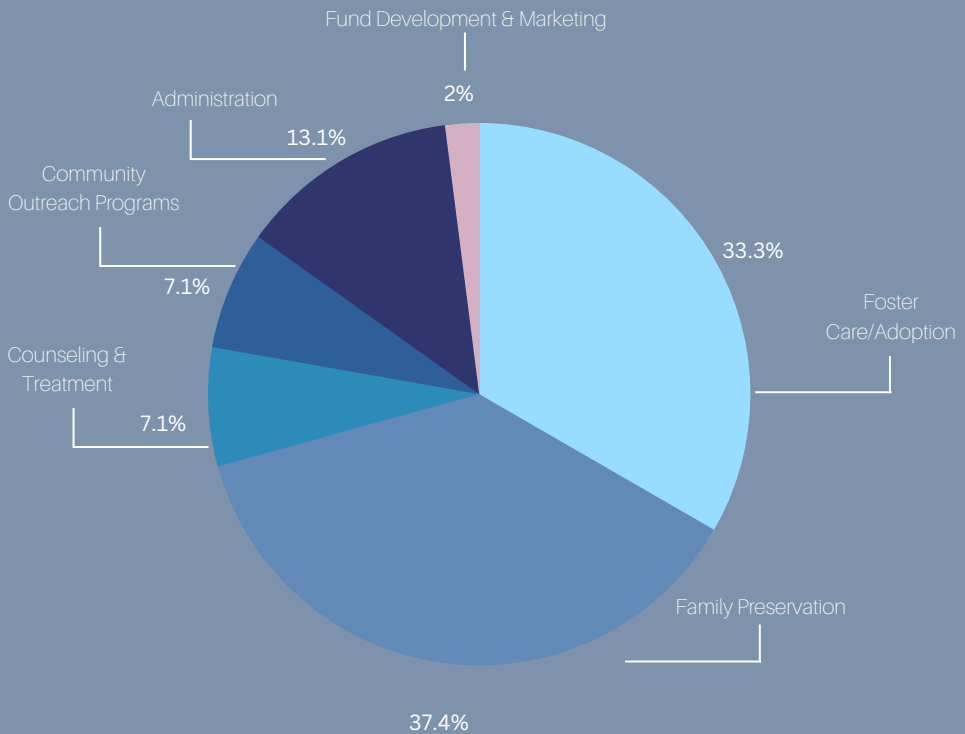
## Liabilities & Net Assets

Total	\$13,191,368	\$13,577,921
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# Revenue



# Expenses





mama bear  
*Gentle Touch*

- HYPOALLERGENIC
- FREE FROM CHLORINE BLEACHING, PERFUMES, LOTIONS, PARABENS, AND PHTHALATES
- EXCELLENT LEAKAGE PROTECTION, DAY OR NIGHT

120 DIAPERS  
4 PACKS OF 30

**NEWBORN**  
up to 10 lbs (4 kg)



*Gentle Touch*  
**SIZE 6**  
35+ lbs (16+ kg)

- 1 FLEXIBLE FIT  
For comfortable movement.
  - 2 WETNESS INDICATOR  
Shows when it's time for a change.
  - 3 BREATHABLE OUTER COVER  
Helps keep baby's skin dry and healthy.
- DERMATOLOGIST TESTED  
With hypoallergenic liner.
- TWO ADORABLE OPTIONS  
Fresh white and polka dots.



Pregnancy Counseling Supervisor  
Stephanie Busch





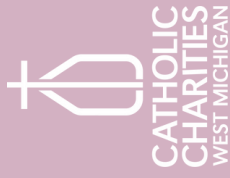
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