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Our Friend Bill

In March, Catholic Charities said goodbye to a dear friend, former Soup Kitchen van driver Bill Rau. Bill was a hard worker, with a warm personality and a friendly smile for everyone. He was an ambassador for Catholic Charities in the community, driving hundreds of miles each week to collect donations, and in his five years with us, he rarely took a vacation. Even on his days off, he lived our mission of providing help and creating hope for those in need. Many don't know that Bill worked to start a garden at his apartment complex, and arranged for all the produce to be donated to Catholic Charities' three soup kitchens. When he saw furniture near the dumpster that was still in good condition, he couldn't bear to leave it behind. Bill would load it in the van and bring it to Catholic Charities, so it could be given to someone in need. He was a kind-hearted man who was always thinking of others.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Bill's family and friends during their time of loss. We hope they find comfort in knowing what a difference he made in the lives of those in need. Bill will be truly missed.



NESK Kid's Summer Camp



The 20th Annual North End Soup Kitchen (NESK) Kid's Camp will kick off Monday, June 29, in a new location at Holy Redeemer in Burton! Campers, ages 5 to 10 years, will practice reading and writing skills, participate in arts and crafts, science projects, health education and outdoor activities, as well as conflict resolution and substance use prevention education. Throughout the summer, campers will receive a nutritious breakfast and lunch, family food bags, as well as a backpack full of donated school supplies at camp graduation - all for free! Registration will be held June 22-26, at the Holy Redeemer school building from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. each day.



If you would like to support this program, or for more information, call our North End Soup Kitchen at 810-785-6911, or email givehope@ccsgc.org.

Congratulations Volunteers!

We congratulate our award winners from the 2015 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner held in April. A special thanks to these, and all of the wonderful volunteers who make our work possible!

Volunteer of the Year Award
 Stephen & Linda Tesler

Hands of Hope Award
 Sara Lee Bakery Outlet, Grand Blanc

Business of the Year Award
 Edible Arrangements,
 Owned by Ed & Karen Marsh

Wings of Hope Award
 Lincoln Park United Methodist Church, Flint

Golden Soup Bowl Award
 Georgeann & Dan Ricketts

Tomorrow's Hope Award
 St. Pius X School, Flint

Special Recognition Award
 U of M Social Work Department
 Faculty & Students

Faith in Action Award
 Church of the Holy Family, Grand Blanc



Volunteers of the Year, Stephen and Linda Tesler



Holy Family, Grand Blanc

Youth in Action Award
 Elms, Seymour, Central, and Springville
 Elementary Schools, Flushing

Staff Volunteer Award
 Krystal Manse

Baked or Grilled Parmesan Garlic-Pepper Chicken

Meals by Manse



John Manse has managed our meal programs for more than 20 years. Check out this genuine North End Soup Kitchen Recipe that you can try at home!

Good for the oven, but even better on the grill. Serve with rice, pasta, or potatoes.



John Manse receiving an award from CEO, Vicky Schultz, for 20 years of service.



Ingredients:

- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 3 tablespoon melted butter
- 1 clove minced garlic
- 2 cups Italian bread crumbs
- 1 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon dried basil
- 1 tablespoon course black pepper
- 8 boneless, skinless chicken breasts

For Oven: Preheat oven to 350 degrees F, and lightly grease a large baking dish.

For Grill - Spray a 3 ft. sheet of foil (large enough to make a foil pouch around the chicken).

Mix in a bowl, oil, garlic & butter.

Mix in a separate bowl, bread crumbs, Parmesan cheese, basil, and pepper.

Brush chicken breast with the oil/butter mixture and dip in the bread crumb mixture.

Arrange the coated chicken breast in the prepared baking dish (or foil for the grill). Add any remaining bread crumb mixture to the top of the chicken.

Bake for 30 minutes in the oven or grill for 15 minutes on each side. (Flip foil over once on the grill)

Grilling Hints: Spray chicken with cooking spray on top before folding the foil over. Wrap the foil tightly around the chicken to help it brown and to keep in the moisture. Grill over the lowest flame, or lowest gas setting.

Optional: Add sliced onions, green peppers, or mushrooms on top of the chicken before grilling, if desired.

You can help us make this meal for those in need by donating any of the above ingredients to Catholic Charities Soup Kitchens. Non-perishable food items are also accepted at the Community Closet and Food Pantry in Owosso, or you can use the enclosed envelope to make a gift.



Electronic Funds Transfer

Supporting your favorite Catholic Charities program just got easier. You can now make a monthly contribution using an electronic funds transfer (EFT)! Just fill out and detach the slip below and mail it in the envelope provided. We will schedule an automatic monthly gift payment with your financial institution, and will mail you an acknowledgment letter each month. All gifts are tax deductible. Save time and money, sign up today!

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Signed: _____ Date: ____/____/____



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From the Desk of Our President

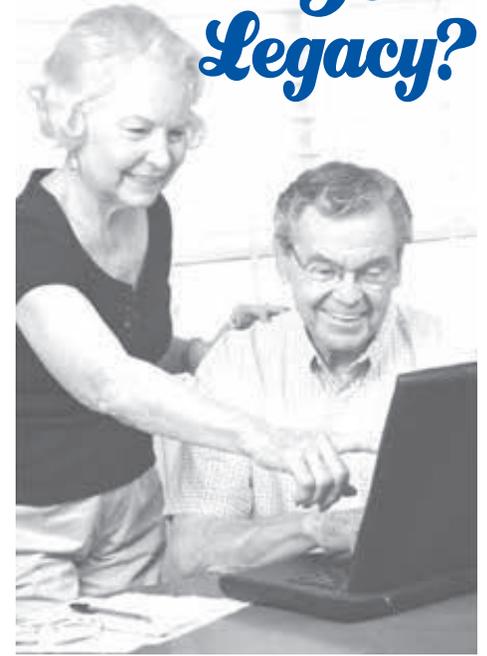


After what seemed like an endless winter, warmer weather is finally here! Many of you are getting ready for vacations, cookouts, graduation open houses, and reunions. However, for the people we serve each day, food to cook on the grill and family vacations are luxuries they simply can't afford. As you relax and enjoy your summer, please don't forget that we still need volunteers at our three Soup Kitchens and Community Closet, as well as food, clothing, toiletries and monetary donations. Our work to Provide Help and Create Hope continues through all seasons. Please use the enclosed envelope to help us change one life at a time.

Thank you for your continued support!

Vicky L. Schultz, President/CEO

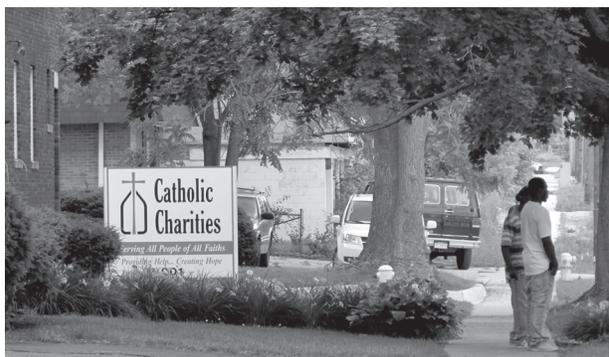
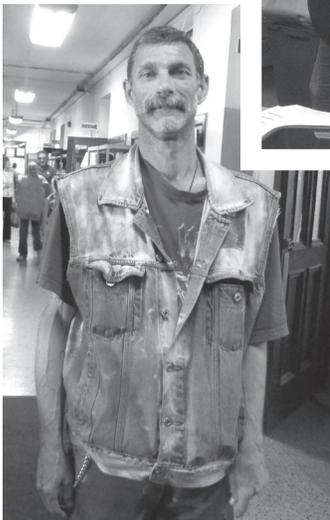
What is Your Legacy?



Now is the time to consider how you will touch the lives of those who follow you. Discuss with your loved ones the possibility of leaving a gift to Catholic Charities in your will or living trust.

Your gift in any amount can make a significant difference in the lives of those who come after you. You choose how your bequest will be used by designating a program, or programs you would like to support.

We invite you to join our efforts to make a change in the lives of those in need. Our work of *Providing Help* and *Creating Hope* can be your legacy. For more information on how to make a will or living trust, talk with your financial advisor.



Are You Raising a Relative's Child?

Catholic Charities' Kinship Caregivers Program offers individual support, as well as workshop opportunities, for grandparents or other family members who are raising a relative's child. This program is free to residents of Genesee County. Call our Prevention Department for more information about groups forming in your area.



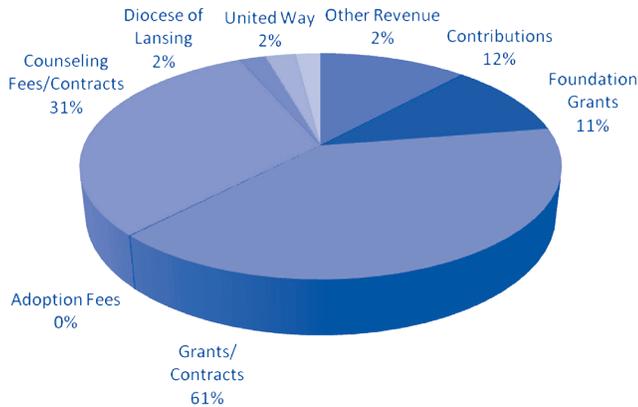
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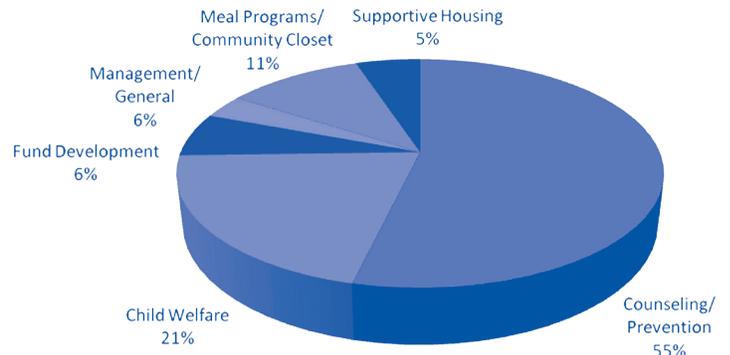


2013-2104 Annual Report

RESOURCES AND SUPPORT



EXPENSES



FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

Resources and Support	Dollars	% of Total
Contributions	\$ 697,602	12%
Foundation Grants	\$ 620,609	11%
Grants/ Contracts	\$ 2,333,383	40%
Adoption Fees	\$ 3,329	0%
Counseling Fees/Contracts	\$ 1,826,002	31%
Diocese of Lansing	\$ 121,402	2%
United Way	\$ 143,312	2%
Other Revenue	\$ 118,767	2%

Expenses	Dollars	% of Total
Counseling/Prevention	\$ 3,367,476	54%
Child Welfare	\$ 1,305,677	21%
Fund Development	\$ 385,411	6%
Management/General	\$ 212,516	3%
Meal Programs/Community Services	\$ 676,848	11%
Supportive Housing	\$ 428,792	5%

Client Satisfaction Survey

Quarter	Number of Surveys		Overall Rating
	Owosso	Flint	
1 st	50	81	96%
2 nd	69	161	95.6%
3 rd	76	191	96.2%
4 th	74	104	96.5%

Prevention/Education Services

Genesee

Hours of Service	5,443
Number of Recipients	10,993

Shiawassee

Hours of Service	1,358
Number of Recipients	6,878

Counseling Services

Genesee

Hours of Service	13,552
Number of Recipients	2,493

Shiawassee

Hours of Service	6,204
Number of Recipients	690

Department of Corrections

Hours of Service	4,546
Number of Recipients	634

Child Welfare

Adoptions	29
Children in Foster Care	99
Total Days in Care	14,414

Home Based Program

Healthy Start	
Home Visits	765
Clients Served	207

Homeless Services

Case Management Recipients	51
Transitional Boarding House Clients	12
Total Services Delivered	415
Hours of Service	1,680

Community Services

North End, Center for Hope and South Flint Soup Kitchens

Hot meals	123,172
Sack Lunches	44,280
Warming Center Meals	7,651
Total:	175,103

Center for Hope Community Closet - Genesee

Number of Recipients	51,653
Toiletries Distributed	93,894
Clothes Distributed	205,060
Household Items Distributed	139,692

Community Closet and Food Pantry - Shiawassee

Number of Recipients	1,863
Toiletry Items Distributed	3,759
Food Bags	1,186

Center for Hope Warming Center

(December - March) 11,883

Volunteers Number of Volunteers 17,664
Volunteer Hours 62,982

Mr. Rogers Program

Hours of Service 3,068
Number of Recipients 5,727

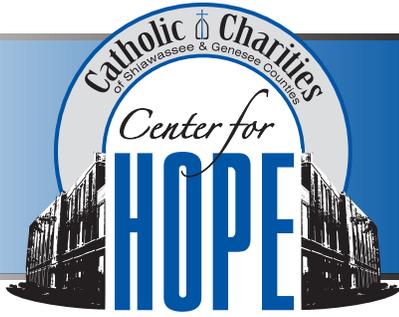
Kinship Caregivers Program

Hours of Service 1,570
Number of Recipients 1,064



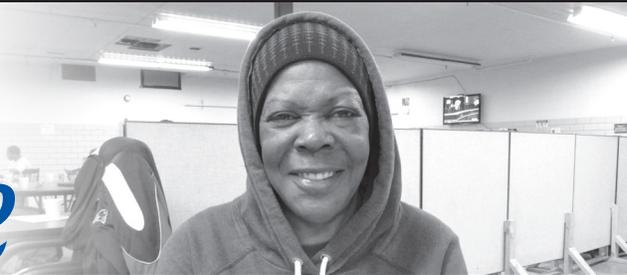
Have a Prayer Request?

If you would like us to pray for you or your special intention at our Third Thursday Mass, email us! givehope@ccsgc.org



Catholic Charities' Center for Hope will provide a location for people to receive basic needs and essential human services. The coordination between partner agencies will provide a full range of programs including meals, food pantry, clothing, personal needs, household needs and furniture, substance use and/or mental health counseling, housing assistance, recreational activities, warming center (during the winter months), along with laundry and shower facilities. Delivery of these services will be coordinated and performed at no cost to community members in need.

Faces of Hope



G L E N D A

Glenda has battled with addiction for years. To feed her daily crack habit, she resorted to stealing. As a result, she has a criminal record that includes six felonies, and has sent her to prison four times. Since 2008, when she was released for the last time, Glenda has been receiving substance use and mental health treatment at Genesee Health Systems (GHS) in Flint, a future partner agency in the Center for Hope. She attends a day treatment program and has been completely clean for nearly three years. She is especially proud of the fact that she has been off methadone maintenance for more than 14 months.

This past winter, Glenda was staying with a friend until they were both evicted. She had already given all of her Social Security money to cover rent, and she quickly found herself with nowhere to go and no money to find a place of her own. Thankfully, an acquaintance brought her Catholic Charities' Center for Hope Warming Center. She arrived on January 12 and immediately started looking for help to find stable housing. Time after time, her past came back to haunt her when landlords refused her applications because of her criminal history. But, Glenda didn't let that get her down for long.

"You have to want it," Glenda advises those who find themselves in similar situations. "Stay persistent," she adds. "Nobody is just going to give it to you. You have to work for it."

Finally, with the help of Resource Genesee and GHS, Glenda was able to find a home. She received assistance with a deposit and first month's rent, as well as household items from Catholic Charities' Center for Hope Community Closet.

"I've been treated decent here," says Glenda, about the Center for Hope Warming Center. "If I had to be homeless again, I'd come back to Catholic Charities; I would," she added with a smile.

For additional information about the Center for Hope, or to make a contribution, call 810-232-9950 x228 or email givehope@ccsgc.org.



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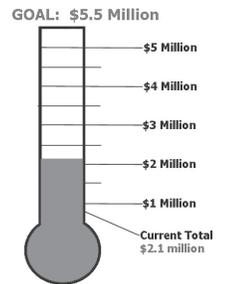
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How can you give hope?
 Can you give \$4, \$400, or \$4,000?
 Can you give 4 blankets, 4 bars of soap, or 4 volunteer hours?
 Anyone can join us to restore hope in our community, changing one life at a time. What will you Give4? How can you support the Center for Hope?

Campaign Update!

Thanks to the generous support of many donors and friends, we have raised a total of \$2.1 million for the Center for Hope! If you haven't had the opportunity to make a gift or pledge, take a moment right now to fill out the enclosed envelope. Join us today to Provide Help and Create Hope for those in need.



Make a gift to the Center for Hope through your IRA!

Does your retirement plan have a Minimum Required Distribution (MRD)? MRDs, are mandatory, minimum yearly withdrawals that generally must be taken from a retirement account starting the year you turn 70½.

You generally have to take MRDs from any retirement account in which you contributed tax-deferred assets or had tax-deferred earnings. These accounts include:

- o Traditional IRAs
- o Rollover IRAs
- o SIMPLE IRAs
- o SEP IRAs
- o Most Keogh accounts
- o Most 401(k) and 403(b) plans

Talk to your financial advisor about making a gift today!



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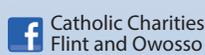
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