Love that Gives Hope

Celebrating 50 years of the Charity & Development Appeal!
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

For fifty years, the Diocese of Phoenix has embraced the Charity and Development Appeal (CDA), giving hope to people in need of God’s grace and mercy. When people have hope, they know they are deeply loved and cared for by God. This gives them strength to overcome trials, and points to a future of peace and joy.

Thanks to your generosity, we continue to build this legacy of hope. Because of you, more than 70 ministries, charities and apostolates act as the hands and feet of Christ serving others. May the Holy Spirit be with you and continue to guide you in service to others.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

+Thomas J. Olmsted
Bishop of Phoenix

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Dear Friends,

We are honored to serve as Co-Chairs for the 2020 Charity and Development Appeal. Fifty years ago, the CDA was established to serve our Diocese by giving hope and comfort to those in need. Now it is our turn to pick up the torch and continue that good work. Christ commanded us to “Love one another as I have loved you”. We practice this love in our immediate families and to our extended family through the various ministries served by the CDA. We cannot think of a better way to take care of our family than to share our God given gifts with them.

Peace in Christ,

Peggy and Dave Schumacher

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**2019 Grants & Allocations**

- Charitable Organizations: $1,838,000
- Parishes & Missions: $1,188,720
- Clergy, Seminarians, Deacons & Religious: $1,419,273
- Evangelization & Catechesis: $2,394,031
- Catholic Schools: $1,105,000
- Diocesan Services & Support: $1,231,220
- Sacred Liturgy: $461,988
- Appeal Costs: $568,768
Empowering
Women for Life

An unplanned pregnancy can be daunting. Aid to Women Center helps educate, support and encourage women through pregnancy. Last year, 1,058 free pregnancy tests were performed. Of those, 97% chose life for their babies. They provided 1,361 prenatal visits; 100% of these patients had no medical insurance. AWC empowers women to plan, protect and care for their newborn babies.

Gift of Hope

Hope opens up new horizons, allowing people to dream of new possibilities. The Charity & Development Appeal provides critical funding to 16 charities giving people hope and offering life-changing services and support. These are just a few:

Foundation for Senior Living serves seniors and at-risk adults lacking financial, physical, or cognitive resources to care for themselves. Clients receive loving care and interaction in Adult Day Health facilities, or coordinated care to improve health, quality of life and aging in place at home. Caregivers and family also have access to respite services and educational resources. 10,000 individuals are served each year.

Rachel’s Vineyard is a safe place to renew and rebuild hearts broken by abortion. Weekend retreats allow men and women to release and reconcile painful emotions and begin to heal. For more than 18 years, thousands of individuals have been served through 2-3 retreats each year offered through various parishes.

St. Joseph the Worker helps homeless individuals return to work and become self-sufficient, productive members of society. They offer clients a hand up, not a handout, building on strengths and helping reduce or eliminate barriers to employment. Last year, 3,681 obtained employment, and 1,605 of these were families with school-aged children.
Living Disciples

The mission of Catholic Charities is to help vulnerable people develop permanent solutions to improve their lives. They serve 7 Arizona counties with staff in 8 offices, delivering more than 20 programs helping veterans, homeless, children in foster care, victims of domestic violence, and more.

343 units in 5 affordable housing communities

9,590 Youth participating in North Star Youth Partnership

571 Individuals helped through counseling

608 Refugees receiving resettlement assistance

1,514 families strengthened through parenting education

Housing Builds Hope

For every 100 qualifying persons seeking affordable housing, only 18 units are available. When basic human needs are met – food, shelter, safety – the entire community benefits. Children receive more consistent schooling. There is less domestic violence. People become contributing members of society, get jobs, pay taxes, have insurance...all strengthening lives and families.

“Permanent, safe, and quality affordable housing helps families build lasting connections to community, churches, and schools. It promotes human dignity, helps break the cycle of poverty, and build a cycle of hope.” Malissa Geer, Sr. Director of Community Engagement, Catholic Charities.
Journey with Christ

Nearly 1.2 million Catholics make our diverse, vibrant, and faith-filled Diocese their home. Every relationship with Jesus is a lifelong journey. Diocesan ministries work with parishes, so young and old are guided through religious education, youth ministry, adult faith formation, and RCIA. Prison inmates, homebound, and isolated families are ministered to with care and purpose, leading them to be touched by God’s grace and mercy.

12 ministries serve 94 parishes and 24 Missions

1,200 Couples attended Marriage Preparation classes in English, Spanish & Vietnamese

860 Marriages

224 attended Catechist Certification classes

Masses offered in 14 different languages
Matt and Kerri didn’t follow a traditional path to a Catholic marriage. Eight years after a civil ceremony, they yearned for more faith, grace and respect in their relationship, to be better parents, and to be right with God.

Deciding to be married in the Catholic Church, they attended Marriage Preparation classes and had a wedding witnessed by clergy. These classes teach couples what holiness looks like in marriage.

“In our classes we acquired tools to have healthy, respectful conversations. It showed me the kind of husband and father I could be.” Matt.

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Keeping Christ Alive

The Diocese of Phoenix covers 44,000 square miles, including many remote communities. Small parishes work hard to serve the rural, Catholic faithful. These missions build community, make it possible to attend Mass, and keep their faith alive.

Three Catholic Newman Centers provide college students a welcoming place for prayer, worship, and friendship. Here, young adults encounter Christ, build supportive relationships, and are empowered to live out Catholic values.

The CDA helps support the most basic needs in these missions, keeping the light of Christ glowing in those who love Him.
Native American Communities

The CDA helps fund operating expenses for 11 Native American Missions, covering priest salaries, expenses, maintenance, insurance and utilities. The faith is alive with the arrival of the Franciscan Friars of the Holy Spirit in 2015, seeing increased participation in religious education and the sacraments.

“My family goes back five generations here, I’m proud of where I come from. To me the Mission is love, hope, and faith - that’s who we are.”

Barbara, St. John the Baptist Mission
Shepherding the Faithful

Nazareth House is a new two-year seminary in Phoenix. First and second-year seminarians will live in a household setting alongside formator priests, sharing daily meals, household responsibilities, volunteer time, prayer and study. Close proximity to Phoenix College enables them to take general education classes before progressing in seminary education. CDA funding helps with seminarian expenses and building renovation costs.

$39,000 avg. annual expense for seminarians

37 seminarians in formation

139 diocesan priests

23 deacon candidates

228 permanent deacons
Dedicated to Catholic Education

"Catholic education is important to our family because it builds moral character, lifelong learners, and exceptional citizens. It gives our kids and our family the opportunity to live out our faith."

Shawn and Rachel

Faith in Education

In Catholic schools, children are surrounded by a supportive community sharing the Catholic faith and values. More than 15,000 students are enrolled in Diocesan schools providing academic excellence and encouraging lifelong service. CDA funding helps provide tuition assistance at 14 schools, making Catholic education a possibility for families.
When you give to the Charity and Development Appeal, you support the work of more than 70 organizations and ministries in the Diocese of Phoenix, transforming the lives of thousands of people. Together we can put our faith into action. Together we can do more than any one parish or person can do. Your love gives hope to so many!

Ways to Give

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