

Together as Catholics

WE CHERISH INFINITE HUMAN DIGNITY



2025 ANNUAL
CATHOLIC

Appeal



“Camp is wonderful. Jarrett can be who he is here.”

STACEY, Jarrett’s mom

Jarrett was born with cerebral palsy. He functions between four and eight years old, depending on what is asked of him. Once a year, Stacey receives “a moment to breathe” when Jarrett is away at Camp ReCreation. Jarrett has the time of his life.



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“We refuse to turn a blind eye to the infinite human dignity of men, women, children and families – no matter what their limitations or circumstances.

By our gifts, we become the hand of Christ walking with our neighbors in need.”

+JAIME SOTO
Bishop of Sacramento

...special needs families are renewed

Natalia returns year after year as a counselor at **CAMP RECREATION**. “I’ve never experienced so much love, excitement and mutual respect as I do here.” Alex, a long-time counselor and board member, believes campers live life in a way that is wholly true to themselves. “We should all try and live a little bit more like that.”



“I’m the best version of myself when I’m at camp.”

DAVID VINCENT
Committed volunteer & board member

Toward the end of high school, David struggled with his faith as many high-schoolers do. His spirit was turned around when as a volunteer at Camp ReCreation he saw how campers engaged with Holy Mass in beautiful and unique ways. He’s remained committed to Camp ReCreation ever since.

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“As Catholics, the Appeal helps us respond to the cry of those who are overcome by difficult circumstances. We provide a path that can lead to a joyful and productive life.”

MIRIAM SAMMARTINO
Director of Catholic Charities
and Social Concerns
Diocese of Sacramento



...seniors
are assured
healthy food

John receives 30 pounds of USDA-provided nutritious groceries every month through the **SACRAMENTO FOOD BANK & FAMILY SERVICES** Food for

Seniors program. Distribution sites throughout Sacramento County are a lifeline to prequalified low-income seniors who simply cannot make ends meet without this supplemental, compassionate resource.



...parents
move from
welfare to
jobs

Assisting parents prepare for, find and retain meaningful jobs is key to transitioning from welfare to self-sufficiency. The CalWorks Program is run by **NORTHERN**

VALLEY CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICE. Appeal funds can be used for the greatest need, ensuring that programs are not disrupted when emergencies arise.



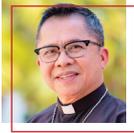
...life-saving
programs
can thrive

These days, natural disasters and weather-related emergencies are far too common. In Yolo-Solano, workshops that build leadership skills needed to be disaster ready are ongoing. **CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF YOLO-SOLANO** is committed not only to respond when disaster strikes, but to prepare families and communities to come alongside one another if and when needed.

“Training communities to be disaster ready is a big part of our mission.”

CCYOSO DISASTER
SERVICES TEAM

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“We can all participate in this beautiful act of charity: helping people in need. It brings us closer to the great plan of God, to save humanity in every act that we can.”

+ REY BERSABAL
Auxiliary Bishop of Sacramento



Catholic Schools provide access to innovative education combined with faith-based values to students in our diocese.

TEN SCHOOLS are located in economically-challenged neighborhoods where fundraising is difficult. The Appeal helps bridge the gap between the need for tuition assistance and available funds.

...at-risk students stay in Catholic School



...parishes can do more

WITH THE 25% PARISH SHARE: Many parishes operate St. Vincent de Paul ministries, bringing volunteer aid to neighbors in need.

FOR INSTANCE:

SACRED HEART, FORT JONES along with **ST. MEL, FAIR OAKS** and **HOLY SPIRIT, FAIRFIELD** are among those helping with rent and utilities, food, household furnishings, disaster recovery resources, companionship and more.

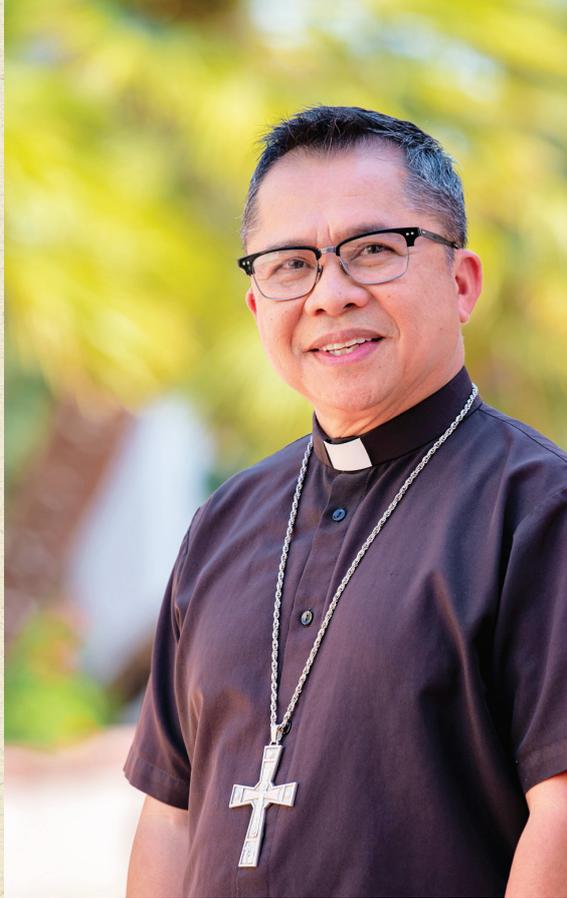
Our gifts help people

- WHO ARE
- mentally ill
- homeless
- disaster survivors
- immigrants
- elderly
- developmentally-disabled
- incarcerated
- working families
- refugees
- at-risk youth
- the unborn
- pregnant women
- hungry
- single parents



Ordained in 2019, Fr. Dean Marshall's calling began after baptism as an adult. "My own family saw that joining the priesthood was my future...even before I did. It's been a total gift in my life, being able to serve God's people...to be part of their lives when they're joyful or sorrowful and everything in between." With costs offset by the Appeal, the 11 men now in **SEMINARIAN FORMATION** can focus less on financial worries and more on preparing to serve in our parishes.

...more men can say "yes" to the call to priesthood



“We all can participate in the great plan of God.”

Helping people in need, especially in our community here in the Diocese of Sacramento is a beautiful thing to do. It brings us closer to the great plan of God, to save humanity in every act that we can.”

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25% goes back to your parish

MORE THAN 100
PROGRAMS PROVIDE

Counseling

Emergency
food

Shelter and
clothing

Permanent and
transitional
housing

Job training

Pregnancy
counseling

Post and
prenatal care

Independent
living skills

Mentoring

Parenting
skills

After-school
care

Refugee
resettlement

Citizenship and
immigration
services

Jail ministry

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50% supports charities



MEMBERS

Catholic Charities of Yolo-Solano
Northern Valley Catholic Social Service:
Butte, Glenn, Shasta, Siskiyou, Tehama
and Trinity
Sacramento Food Bank & Family Services:
Greater Sacramento

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Camp ReCreation: *Serving Northern California*
Mother Teresa Maternity Home: *Placerville*
Rancho Cordova Food Locker:
Greater Sacramento
Upper Room Dining Hall: *Placerville*

PARTNERS

Anderson-Cottonwood Christian Assistance
Bishop Gallegos Maternity Home:
Sacramento
Catholic Ladies Relief Society: *Chico*
Community Assistance Network: *Greenville,*
Portola, Quincy
Loaves and Fishes: *Sacramento*
Sacramento Life Center: *Greater Sacramento*
Salvation Army Food Shelf: *Susanville*
Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Need-based grants to district councils in the Diocese
of Sacramento
Stanford Settlement Neighborhood Center:
Sacramento
Wellspring Women's Center: *Sacramento*
Yuba-Sutter Right-To-Life

25% goes back to parishes

For social ministry at your parish

25% supports education

Seminarian formation and Catholic
school tuition assistance