



## Dear Friends of Catholic Charities,

At Catholic Charities in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, our mission is rooted in faith, guided by those we serve, and strengthened by research as we work tirelessly to break the cycle of poverty. The 2023-24 fiscal year was a milestone—our impact reached new heights as we helped more individuals achieve financial stability and independence than ever before. Through more than 55 programs, we touched the lives of over 460,000 people, creating lasting change for generations to come. Our transformative approach focuses on addressing the root causes of poverty, shaping everything we do.

Here are just a few of the ways we made a difference across our six agency sites in southern and central Indiana:

- 7,800 individuals gained essential life skills through educational programs in job training, parenting, and financial literacy.
- 8,194 children and youth received afterschool care, health education, and enriching summer camp experiences.
- 2,074 individuals found stability through emergency shelter and housing support.
- 316,238 people received critical food assistance through our food bank and pantries.
- 6,035 people received professional mental health services.

As you explore these pages, you'll witness the unwavering dedication of our team—working with creativity and determination to provide sustainable solutions, not temporary relief. Our research-driven initiatives continue to maximize impact, ensuring we remain responsible stewards of the resources entrusted to us.

While we celebrate the progress of the past year, we look ahead with excitement and purpose. We invite you to join us in championing the work that lies ahead. Expect continued innovation, program refinement, and a deepened commitment to fostering a family-first culture and strengthening community partnerships.

This journey belongs to all of us. Your support makes it possible, and we are deeply grateful to have you by our side.

Sincerely,

*David J. Bethuram*

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Executive Director  
Secretariat for Catholic Charities



# 2023–2024 Fiscal Year in Review

**Revenue:**  
**\$21,733,000**

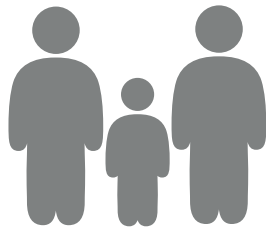
**Expenses:**  
**\$15,212,000**



**466,915**  
people served by the Secretariat  
of Catholic Charities\*



**92,500**  
Served by Crisis Relief  
and Shelter Services



**8,627**  
Served through Family Counseling  
and Social Work Services



**1,000**  
Assisted with pregnancy  
and adoption services



**4,675**  
Served by Refugee  
and Immigration  
Services



**22,815**  
Clients received  
information and  
referral services



**898**  
Assisted through  
Senior Services



**8,184**  
Served through youth  
programs



**4.38 Million**  
pounds of food provided  
by Terre Haute Catholic  
Charities Foodbank



**5,464**  
Served by  
Christmas Stores

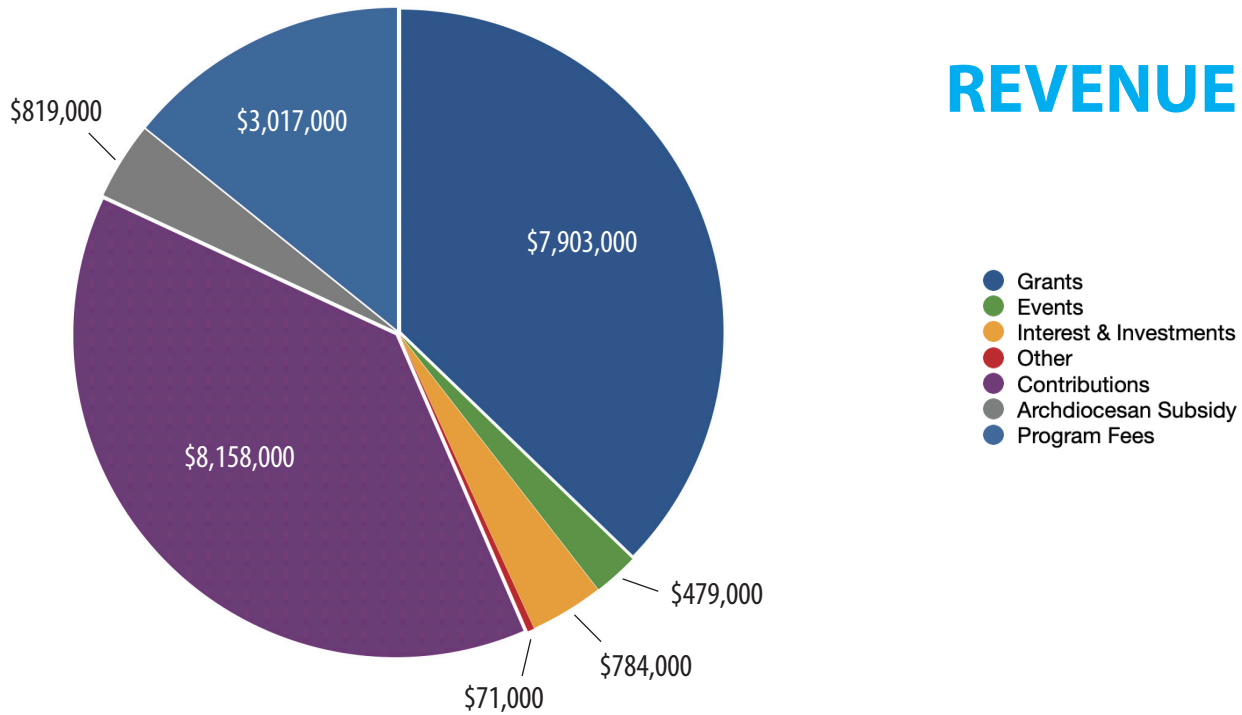


**45,733**  
Meals served to the hungry

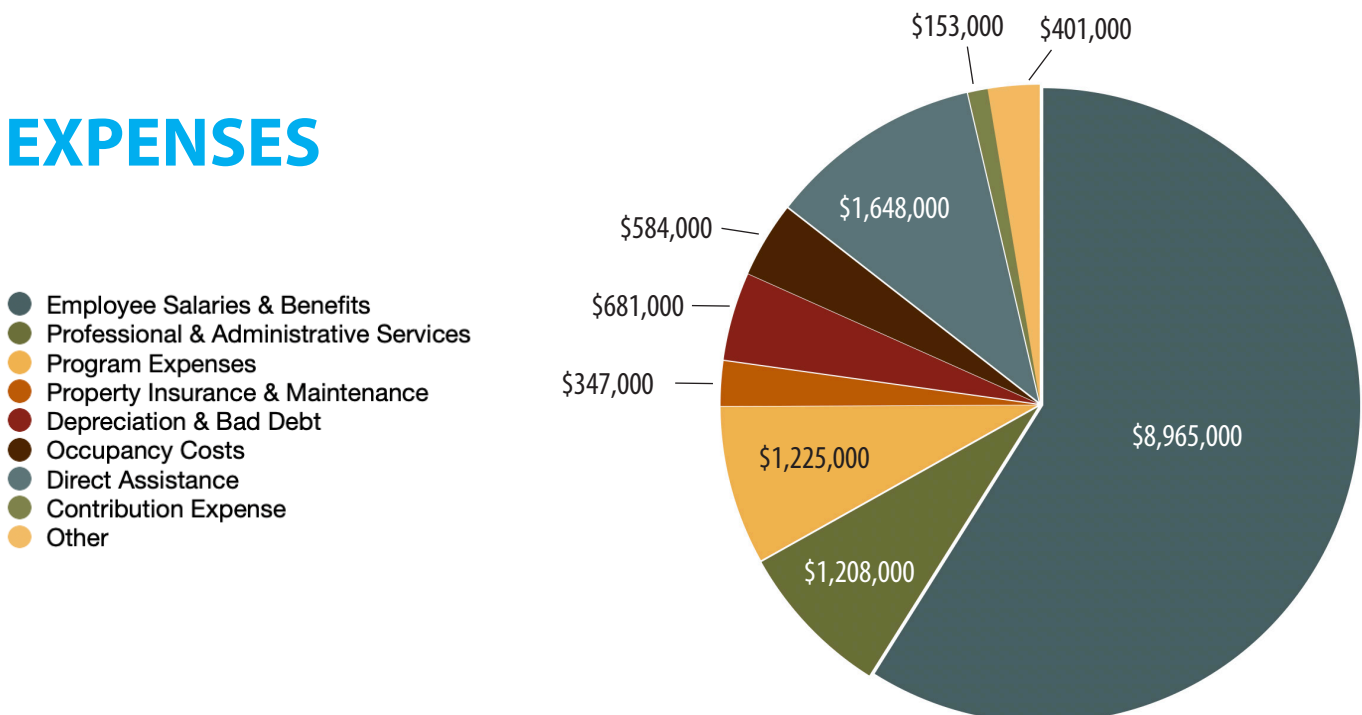
*\*these numbers reflect individuals that have received one or more services.*

# Financial Information

## REVENUE



## EXPENSES



# Social Concerns & Disaster Recovery

## **SOCIAL CONCERNS**

The Parish Social Concerns program within the Archdiocese of Indianapolis plays a vital role in promoting Catholic Social Teaching and addressing the needs of the most vulnerable in our communities. Through the collaborative efforts of Catholic Charities USA Parish Social Ministry (CCUSA – PSM), Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD), Justice for Immigrants (JFI), and the Anti-Trafficking Ministry, the program works to educate, advocate, and provide direct assistance. These ministries empower parishes to respond to issues of poverty, human dignity, and social justice, fostering a culture of solidarity and service throughout the archdiocese.

During the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the Parish Social Concerns program served over 2,000 individuals, contributing to the broader impact of the Catholic Charities Secretariat. Whether through providing resources to parishes, combating human trafficking, or advocating for systemic change, this ministry exemplifies the Church's commitment to the Gospel call to serve. By uniting faith with action, the program continues to build stronger, more compassionate communities rooted in justice and love.

## **DISASTER RECOVERY**

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis Disaster Recovery program provides critical support to individuals and families affected by natural disasters, ensuring that those most vulnerable receive the assistance they need to rebuild their lives. By offering resources, volunteer coordination, and case management services, the program helps disaster survivors navigate the complex recovery process. In addition to providing immediate relief, the ministry works proactively with communities to enhance disaster preparedness, equipping them with the knowledge and skills needed to respond effectively when crises arise.

In the 2023-2024 fiscal year, Disaster Recovery served 2,317 individuals across Indiana, contributing to the overall service impact of the Catholic Charities Secretariat. By combining immediate relief with proactive education and support, Catholic Charities Disaster Recovery strengthens community resilience, ensuring that individuals and families are better prepared for future challenges.





# Success Stories

## Becky's Place

Amy\* came to Becky's Place when her husband became violent after only a month of marriage. She left everything behind to create a new life for herself. When she first arrived, Amy was often scared, worried that her husband would find her. She talked with staff, and they helped her find resources, counseling, and education about domestic violence.



Amy found employment near Becky's Place and worked as much as possible. She saved enough money to get a car and secure housing. She started giving others advice on how to leave unsafe situations and told them how she was a living example that it could be done.

Amy moved to another county and is thriving. She has a protective order and support at her new home. She is grateful to Becky's Place for helping her through a difficult time and giving her the support she needed.

## Bloomington

Stephen\* struggled with an unstable family life as he moved between his grandparents' homes with little support nor involvement from his parents. These challenges made it difficult for Stephen to regulate his emotions, and his trauma would often manifest as harmful and disruptive behaviors at school. Stephen struggled with school attendance and had faced suspensions due to his behavior.



With the assistance of a CCB therapist, Stephen participated in play therapy, which allowed him to demonstrate and work through his aggression and transitions between family systems in a safe and age-appropriate context. They worked together to reduce Stephen's negative self-talk and improved his ability to form bonds with the people who care about him. Stephen has improved his ability to regulate his emotions and manage frustration and has begun expressing his feelings towards his mom and dad through letter-writing. Through therapy, Stephen has been able to improve his emotional wellbeing, relationships, and school performance, gaining tools that will help him forge a brighter future.

## Indianapolis

Kevin was referred to the Senior Companion program by his social worker at a mental health clinic for support for his severe depression. Kevin matched with Senior Companion Greg, and they agreed to meet 15 hours a week. Upon meeting, Greg and Kevin quickly discovered they had many things in common. Within weeks, they were out and about, visiting the local community center and library while also spending time at various dog parks. The original 15 hours per week quickly became 20 to 25. The two became friends and would complete housework and share meals together. Greg would make sure that Kevin made it to all his medical and mental health appointments on time.



In May 2024, Greg's home burnt down. The first person he called was Kevin to tell him he could not be there the following day. One week later, when Greg called to check on Kevin, Kevin's sister answered the phone and informed him that Kevin had passed away. Kevin's family shared with Greg the positive difference he made in the last few years of Kevin's life.

\*Names changed for privacy

# Success Stories

## New Albany

The St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities Domestic Violence Transitional Housing and Rapid Rehousing program provides critical next steps for families escaping domestic violence, offering up to two years of transitional housing or one year of rental assistance for those in need of rapid rehousing.



Katelyn and her daughter arrived at St. Elizabeth after fleeing domestic violence with nowhere else to turn. Fearful of encountering her abuser, Katelyn was hesitant to attend court hearings or even run errands. Over her six months in transitional housing, she received case management support and resources for her daughter. With time, Katelyn gained confidence, secured a job, and quickly earned a promotion. Eventually, she was able to sign a lease on a new apartment, providing a fresh start for her family.

Today, Katelyn and her daughter have rebuilt their lives with hope and stability. Thanks to St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities, they found safety, support, and a path forward to a brighter future.

## Tell City

Inspired by St. Martin of Tours, who shared his cloak with a person in need, the Martin's Cloak program at Catholic Charities Tell City provides food and clothing to over 500 individuals each year. Staffed by dedicated parish volunteers from Tell City and surrounding communities, the program offers essential support to those facing hardship.



For families like the Johnsons, struggling after unexpected medical expenses, Martin's Cloak has been a lifeline. "The volunteers treated us with kindness and respect," Mrs. Johnson shared. "They not only helped us with food and clothing for our children but also gave us hope."

Whether providing a warm coat in winter, a bag of groceries, or simply a compassionate ear, Martin's Cloak embodies Catholic Charities' mission—serving those in need with dignity and love. Through faith in action, Catholic Charities Tell City continues to make a lasting impact, proving that even small acts of generosity can transform lives.

## Terre Haute

Pamela's journey with Catholic Charities highlights the power of support and opportunity. As a child, she found a sense of belonging at Ryves Youth Center, where she enjoyed hot meals, mentorship, and enrichment activities like basketball, chess, and computers.



A standout memory is the Bonus Points Store, which rewarded youth for engagement and taught her servant leadership. She also cherished the Christmas Store, where she selected gifts for loved ones, experiencing the joy of giving.

Now a successful adult, Pamela remains deeply involved, bringing her children to volunteer and serving as chair of a Catholic Charities committee. Her contributions span event hosting, tech support, grant writing, and community programs like Ryves Family Night.

Pamela's story is a testament to the lasting impact of generosity, showing how one act of kindness can transform lives for generations.

# Creating Hope and Providing Help Across Central & Southern Indiana





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