“Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer.”
Romans 12:12

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Mission Statement
Catholic Charities in Terre Haute exists to serve the poor, the hungry, the homeless, the elderly, the neglected children and the needy. Our goal is to relieve suffering and hardship for people in the community regardless of nationality, race, creed, or religion.
FROM THE AGENCY DIRECTOR

Dear Friends,

I would have to guess by now every one of us knows someone who is going through a difficult time. It might be a close friend, a relative, or a family whose child is your child’s best friend. It is also possible that one of the factors involved with their current situation may include a broken relationship. As a society, our future is dependent on building and maintaining good, healthy relationships.

This year we experienced an increase in clients served in several of our programs. Given the state of many families in our community that are struggling, it should be no surprise that our program activities are trending upward. When unemployment and poverty are increasing, we are compelled to stretch our abilities in an effort to reduce the impact that is felt by our clients. Is there really another option?

We are in the business of welcoming those who have been rejected, those on the margins, and helping them to create a second chance. At Bethany House, we attempt to start where others have left off. We try to provide the basic needs for our clients – then we start equipping them to find work, pursue legal options, or help them get back in school. We empower individuals by teaching personal responsibility through financial training with Dave Ramsey’s Financial Peace University, job searches, accessing medical services, cooking classes, meal planning, NA and AA. As a result, we’ve seen clients experience the healing and recovery that takes place with God’s help.

It doesn’t always take a village to change a life. It takes a client willing to be an active part of their own recovery – and it takes someone who is willing to enter into a relational effort with our clients to remind them that they matter.

You see, we really are in this together and that is why the business of second chances is everyone’s business.

John C. Etling

Catholic Charities Terre Haute Agency Director
Bethany House
Revenue: $177,498.42 • Expenses: $237,177.75

In order to help some of the poorest and most vulnerable in the Wabash Valley, our Bethany House services have several components: shelter for families, soup kitchen for anyone who is hungry, and a free clothes closet.

This past year Bethany House has not only reached out to the poorest and most vulnerable, but also to those in the community who never thought they would need to ask for help. Our service is multi-faceted. We offer shelter for families and single women, a soup kitchen, and a Clothes Closet free store. In 2010, we provided over 80 families with Christmas food baskets, a task that had never been done before. Our extended outreach includes food baskets in an emergency situation, diapers, formula, the Deli Days distribution on Tuesday and Thursday, and special projects in collaboration with other agencies, like a “Back to School Clothing Day” for children in need.

Shelter provided to 156 adults and 130 children
• 5,991 Resident Meals

The staff works closely with the individuals in the shelter to set goals for tying up loose ends and developing skills to become self-sufficient, independent citizens. In 2010 the average length of stay was 61 days. Every area of need is assessed and addressed and everyone is given “hands-on” help and referrals, as well as hope and encouragement in their mission to become successful. Housing, childcare, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), TANF, work search, disability applications, continuing education, guidance for coping, problem solving and decision making are an everyday part of the shelter’s work.

Fishes and Loaves Daily Soup Kitchen:
44,384 Meals • 270 Food Baskets Prepared

For the past 30 years the soup kitchen has provided a daily lunch to anyone needing a meal. The lunches served are nutritious and include proteins, vegetables, fruits, grains and dessert. Bethany House will help those in need of a regular pantry to find the one that is in their area of the community, so they can help supplement their food staples on a monthly basis. All residents are provided food to eat at breakfast and dinner when there is need. The Deli Days distribution is a collaborative effort with the Foodbank to give food that is immediately perishable to anyone coming to the soup kitchen during the lunch period on Tuesday and Thursday.

Clothes Closet:
16,291 Individuals assisted with clothing items

Volunteers, staff, and shelter residents work seven days a week to sort donated clothing, shoes, toys, books, small appliances, and household items. They determine what is suitable for distribution and what needs to be recycled. Recycling items are distributed to other areas of the world in need or they are broken down to make other usable items in areas of industry. Bethany House stores all formals, or donated wedding gowns for the Ryves Youth Center to distribute to girls in their program for school dances, proms or drama club. The free store is open to the public Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoon. If a special need is brought to our attention, items are held or special shopping times are made available for those individuals.

Christmas Store and Household Exchange
Revenue: $26,594.78 • Expenses: $51,262.28
Assistance provided to 3,467 individuals and 905 families
• Adults: 1,644 • Teenagers (13-17): 560
• Children (1-12): 1,212 • Infants (0-12 mos.): 51

Through a network of 32 churches, schools, and community agencies, low-income clients are referred to the Christmas House to receive clothing and presents for themselves and their families. Hundreds of volunteers spend thousands of hours throughout the year to solicit, collect and sort thousands of pieces of donations and work as elves to help each client shop for their family’s gifts. In 2010 the Christmas Store served clients from Nov. 15 – 19 and Nov. 29 – Dec. 3 at its location at 829 N. 14th Street.

144 families served by Household Exchange Program
• 89 Donor Households

Household items such as furniture and kitchen items are distributed to families transitioning from a shelter to a home or apartment, low-income families, single mothers with low or no income, and victims of fires or home invasions. This program also benefits the environment by keeping useful items out of landfills.

Creating Hope.

David English is a long-time member of Ryves Youth Center and only the second young man to earn an Eagle Scout Badge through the Youth Center.

Life has not always been easy for David. His father has chronic addiction issues which left Mary, his mother, to raise her two sons alone. David also has Asperger’s Syndrome which made it even harder to succeed. While in middle school, David and his mother became homeless. They often lived in their van or on friends’ couches. In spite of these obstacles, David persevered in his goals.

With the support of his mother, David was able to participate in almost every program the Youth Center offered. He excelled in Boy Scouts where he exemplified leadership skills and improved his self-esteem. He has truly become a valued member of the Ryves family. We are grateful for the time David spent with us in his youth and look forward to his continued involvement as both an adult volunteer and an adult scout leader for Boy Scout Troop 22.

Every day many children walk through the doors of Ryves Youth Center at Etling Hall. Some children stay for only a day while others remain for years. David is one of the young men who embraced and took advantage of all the services and programs that Ryves Youth Center has to offer and has grown into a confident, mature young man.
Produce Market once a month as another way to provide this highly nutritious food available to member agencies. In addition, through the Wal-Mart State Giving mobile pantry programs. There is not a single day of the week that truck. This vehicle is used in our store donation, pantry delivery, and Haute Catholic Charities Foodbank was awarded a new refrigerated truck. Through a grant funded by Wal-Mart Foundation, Collaborations really make this program possible and this year was no exception. Through a grant funded by Wal-Mart Foundation, Terre Haute Catholic Charities Foodbank was awarded a new refrigerated truck. This vehicle is used in our store donation, pantry delivery, and mobile pantry programs. There is not a single day of the week that this vehicle won’t be seen on the roads working to reduce hunger in the Wabash Valley. In addition, through the Wal-Mart State Giving program, the Foodbank received a sizeable donation which is used to purchase additional high-quality nutritious food to supplement the food available to member agencies.

With the increased donations from local retailers, we have been privileged to receive a high volume of fresh produce and bakery goods. Because of the short shelf-life of these items, we instituted a Bread & Produce Market once a month as another way to provide this highly nutritious food to individuals in need while it is still at its freshest.

A record number of organizations and individuals joined us for this year’s National Association of Letter Carriers annual Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. This year’s Food Drive brought in 67,433 pounds of food from across the serving area. Our hats are off to all of the letter carriers who worked extra hours and to all of the volunteers who picked up the donations from thousands of our neighbors. Those donations will be able to provide over 51,000 meals.

In order to meet the nutritional needs of the growing numbers of food insecure individuals throughout our communities, the Foodbank has added eight additional agencies. These agencies will make food available to hundreds of additional people who might otherwise have a difficult time providing meals for themselves and their families.

We thank these key volunteers for their numerous hours of service to Catholic Charities last year:

Diana Edwards  •  Steven Senior Jr.  •  Robbin Holmes  •  Eric Bums  
Gina Dickens  •  Thomas Bruce  •  John Wollman  •  James Porter  •  Gary Smith  
Mary Chloupek  •  Bob Chloupek  •  Marla Shelton  •  Mary Berry  
Marita Pinkstaff  •  Mansha Winters  •  Anna Grady  •  Teela Crecelius  
Hanna Mercer  •  Terre Haute North High School  •  Honor Society  
Gwen Dugger  •  Cherokee Burris  •  Sarah Harlow  •  Ray Black  •  Pat Zeronick  
Sue Tsionga  •  Sandy Cox  •  Etta Wolfle  •  Tony Jenkins  •  Betty Jenkins  
Rita Senseman  •  Kristine Zukokas  •  Peggy Wesley-Fitzhbum  •  Donnie Sartain  
Sister Mary Montgomery  •  Pat Martin  •  Carol Etling  •  Christy Moenter  
Greg Theisz  •  Connie Wirtt  •  Alison Gasparowich  •  Katie Nemo Geyman  
Morgan Wendlandt  •  Tia Perry  •  Charlie Freeman  •  Charles Harmon  
Lacy Fisher  •  Club Soda  •  Turning Point  •  Verve Christmas Party Elves  
Indiana State University Ladies’ Soccer Team

* 1472 individual children attended Ryves Youth Center. The numbers corresponding to each program represent the number of times these children participated in an activity.
**Special Events and Recognition**

In all areas of service that we provide it is essential that each person is treated with respect and dignity. We are not here to judge our neighbors; we are here to provide help and create hope during a difficult time in life.

This past year, we celebrated our 36th year of existence here in the Wabash Valley with our Annual Benefit Dinner on September 8, 2010, held at Idle Creek Golf Course and Banquet Center. The event, with featured speakers - former resident Brittany Cahill and client David English, raised nearly $33,000 and recognized three individuals who have made significant contributions to the success of our programs and the clients we serve. These individuals were honored at our annual dinner and are so important to the success of our agency. We are grateful for their efforts.

Individuals honored at the 2010 fundraising dinner:
Ned and Adelyne Kent
Sister Connie Kramer

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**Operating Funds During Fiscal Year 2010-2011 (Ending June 30th, 2011)**

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Catholic Charities serves any person in need of our services, regardless of their religious, social or economic backgrounds.

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**Monsignor Joseph Kern**

It is with sadness and heavy hearts that we said goodbye to Father Joe, Chairman of the Advisory Council for Catholic Charities in Terre Haute. Father Joe served this agency in the same way that he lived his life, with love and compassion and a smile on his face.

We will miss him.
“This past year has been yet another year full of tremendous challenges and opportunities all throughout the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. In every part of the 39 counties that make up the Church in Central and Southern Indiana the economy has challenged individuals, families and communities up to and beyond the breaking point. In nearly every program that we operate to provide the most basic human needs, we have seen increases in demand for our services by anywhere from 25 – 45%.

Indiana has been marked with the unfortunate distinction of having the highest home-foreclosure rate in the entire country! Homeless families continue to be the fastest growing population among those experiencing homelessness.

The needs of those in harm’s way far outnumber the resources available to them, but Catholic Charities continues to be committed to do our part to provide help and create hope for as many as we can.

The opportunity that exists in the midst of such desperate need and despair is the opportunity to demonstrate the love and compassion of Jesus Christ. Our staff and volunteers get to assume the role of the hands and feet of Jesus in service to the “least among us.” It can be easy to become overwhelmed by the sea of need that only seems to grow, but we must stay focused on our mission – which is the mission of Jesus – to bring good news to the poor, liberty to captives, new sight to the blind and to set the downtrodden free.

Thank you for your support of your local Catholic Charities agency. We could not continue to serve the least among us without you.” -David J. Siler, Executive Director, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis, Inc.

The Secretariat for Catholic Charities encompasses five agencies:
- Catholic Charities in Indianapolis
- Catholic Charities in Bloomington
- Catholic Charities in Terre Haute
- Catholic Charities in Tell City
- St. Elizabeth – Catholic Charities in New Albany

Each agency serves any person in need in their respective deanery. In addition, we are licensed to complete adoptions throughout the states of Indiana and Kentucky.

Collectively last year all five agencies served more than 179,900 persons with combined revenues of $10.76 million and expenses of $11.1 million. In 2010, we served nearly 20% more people than the previous year – with an additional 8% increase in service in 2011 – mostly due to the skyrocketing needs of those seeking food, transportation assistance and help paying for basic living expenses. (These financial figures are unaudited and a full audited statement is available at www.archindy.org/finance/archdiocese.html.) For a detailed look at each agency’s services and operating funds, visit CatholicCharitiesIndy.org.

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“The Church’s deepest nature is expressed in her three-fold responsibility: of proclaiming the Word of God, celebrating the sacraments, and exercising the ministry of charity. These duties presuppose each other and are inseparable.”

Pope Benedict XVI, Deus Caritas Est
Justice can reduce differences, eliminate discrimination and ensure the conditions necessary for respect for the dignity of the person. Justice, however, needs a soul. And the soul of justice is charity, a charity which places itself at the service of every person.

Pope John Paul II