# Lighting the Path Toward a Brighter Future

ANNUAL REPORT HIGHLIGHTS 2024-2025



A MESSAGE FROM THE CEO/PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS CHAIR

## Called by Pope Leo to be "Agents of Hope"

Dear Friends

Once again, as leaders of your Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington, we proudly present our 2024-2025 Annual Report.

This past year has seen great changes, with new and visionary leadership in the Catholic Church as we welcomed Pope Leo XIV and our new Archbishop, Cardinal Robert McElroy, bidding farewell to our Good Shepherd, Cardinal Wilton Gregory, and praying for the repose of Pope Francis. We have also witnessed significant changes in government policies, many of which present new challenges for those we serve as well as for our staff. Our focus has been to leverage and expand our relationships with government and non-government partners while drawing on our significant well of organizational and individual experience. This approach allows us to pace the rapidly evolving service environment and stand firm in our commitment to serve the poor, vulnerable, and marginalized.

As our work continued last year, even amid challenges, we celebrated many milestones. Among them, we:

- Broke ground and commenced construction of the Conway Education Center, a new state-ofthe-art facility that will welcome our children into the school and child development center in Spring 2026.
- Celebrated the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our constantly expanding Health Care Network, which over the years has provided care for 70,000 clients unable to afford specialized care.

- Continued to grow our regional Task
   Forces in Prince George's County and
   Southern Maryland for stronger community
   partnerships and collaboration, while making
   in roads with establishing our Corporate
   Advisory Council.
- Exceeded our fundraising goal at the 2025 Gala. Thank you!

Even in a rapidly shifting government resourcing environment, Catholic Charities D.C. remains an efficient and grateful steward of your generosity with 86 cents of every donated dollar going directly to programs and services.

What's more, we achieved accelerated certification with the Council of Accreditation and retained Charity Navigator's highest rating, demonstrating our steadfast commitment to meeting the strictest standards for community service and careful use of donor resources.

Pope Leo, citing the Church's Jubilee Year, focused on the virtue of hope, called Catholic Charities "agents of that hope," saying "Dear friends, I express my heartfelt gratitude for all that you and those who work with your networks do each day to put into practice the Lord's admonition to see and serve him in the poor, hungry, homeless, and people in any kind of need (cf. Mt 25:31-46)."

Amid rising needs and retracting government funding, your continued — and hopefully expanded support — has never been more pronounced. In this time of financial uncertainty, we ask all our philanthropic partners for an even deeper level of support so Catholic Charities D.C. can continue the charitable work it has been called to do.

We remain committed to being agile and responsive to our clients, assessing the effectiveness of each program, and adjusting, as needed, to remain a beacon of hope to those navigating the storm. Toward this end, Catholic Charities D.C. is building stronger relationships with partners in the regional social services "eco-system" ensuring transparency and enhanced strategic collaboration of like-minded organizations. We have commenced this work in the critical areas of healthcare and food insecurity.

As the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Catholic Charities D.C. approaches in 2028–2029, alongside you — our staff, volunteers, and donors — we stand firm in our conviction to be the agent of hope that Pope Leo calls for us to be.

JIM MALLOY, President and CEO

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DAVID DILUIGI, Chair, Board of Directors

## The Difference We Make *Together*

#### 140,000

More than 140,000 residents of Washington, D.C. and neighboring Maryland counties received comprehensive, personcentered wraparound social services through our 47 programs in 27 locations.

#### 3.5M

In this year alone, over 3.5 million meals were provided to those experiencing food insecurity in our community.

#### 4,800

Over 4,800 unhoused residents of Washington, D.C. and neighboring Maryland counties found hope and refuge through our housing and shelter services.

#### 5,500

Through our medical, dental, and mental health services, we provided healthcare to over 5,500 people.



## Communities We Serve

WASHINGTON,

4,380 people benefited from shelter and housing services

2,068 children and adolescents and 782 adults benefited from mental health support

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, MD

1,134 adults and children — who made up a total of 384 households received integrated social services support through the Newcomer Network Navigator Program

1,156 clients received dental care

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY, MD

127,831 grocery packages were distributed to 33,256 people, providing them with savings

885 clients received dental healthcare services

SOUTHERN MARYLAND (Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's Counties)

377 families found shelter and case management services at Angel's Watch

1M over a million pounds of food were distributed, feeding more than 8,700 residents

16,266 food packages were given to over 900 school-aged children and seniors in need



## Stories that *Inspire Hope*

#### A NETWORK OF HOPE

For years, Pablo served his community in Honduras as mayor, always putting others before himself. Fast forward to 2015 while living with his daughter in Silver Spring, Maryland, he was diagnosed with mucosal melanoma, a rare and aggressive cancer.

Unable to afford treatment, Pablo was referred to Catholic Charities D.C.'s Health Care Network, which connects low-income patients with volunteer medical specialists. Over several years, he received radiation, chemotherapy, and complex reconstructive jaw surgery — all provided pro-bono by Medstar Georgetown University Hospital and by volunteer doctors like Dr. Susan Pankratz and Dr. Jonathan Giurintano.

Today, at 81, Ramos is cancer-free. "Without Catholic Charities," he said through an interpreter, "I would be resting in peace. They are the voice of people without a voice and the hope of people with no hope."

The Health Care Network, which celebrated its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, has served 70,000 patients over four decades, providing life-saving care to those with nowhere else to turn.

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- Pablo, client of the Health Care Network







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