Encounters from the heart

"The poor need our hands..." ~ Pope Francis

2019 Annual Report
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"...One who leads must be one who serves..." – Pope Francis
"Molly" was facing eviction. Her neighbors were complaining about her behavior and her landlord was not willing to compromise. Catholic Charities' Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) Team developed a plan to help. They provided outreach to Molly five days a week; they monitored and adjusted her medication. The team secured an attorney for her and accompanied her to court. With this plan in place, the landlord dropped the case and allowed Molly to stay in her apartment.

The Catholic Charities' Program of Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) is guided by the principal that individuals with mental illness, even those with the most impaired functioning, can reside in normal settings in the community if adequate supports and services are provided.

PACT teams work with consumers to promote appropriate self-management of symptoms, enhance quality of life, prevent unnecessary psychiatric hospitalizations, and maximize independence and community integration.

Our Mission

Driven by Catholic social teaching, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen provides quality services with dignity and respect to the poor, vulnerable, and all people in need and partners with families and communities to improve the quality of life.
Providing a safety net

117,967 MEALS SERVED
AND SHELTER PROVIDED FOR 585 PEOPLE
WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE HOMELESS

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen supports those in the community who are poor, devalued or disenfranchised. Last year, our shelters provided a warm, safe place to stay and nutritious meals to 585 people including 182 families who occupied Catholic Charities’ Shelters.

- The Ozanam Inn provides 40 beds for temporary and emergency lodging, meals, physical and mental health assessments, crisis counseling, assistance with housing and employment, case management and referrals to homeless men.

- The Ozanam Family Shelter provides 103 beds for 16 single women and 26 families. Services include temporary and emergency lodging, meals, physical and mental health assessments, crisis counseling, assistance with housing, employment and children’s educational placement, case management and referrals. While living in the shelter, program residents work with case managers to improve their earning capacity and obtain permanent housing.

"Take care of brothers and sisters who are weaker ... the elderly, the sick, the hungry, the homeless and strangers..."
- Pope Francis
We must restore hope to young people...
- Pope Francis

The Mobilization and Stabilization Services Program provides immediate 24/7/365 mobilization of crisis staff to homes, schools or other safe locations where youth between the ages of 5 -18 are experiencing behaviors putting them at risk of out-of-home placement or hospitalization.

Reaching our Youth

15,191 HOURS OF CARE TO AT-RISK YOUTH
enrolled in our Youth Partial Care (YPC) Program

"Before I came here, I was traveling from therapy to therapy. My mom always wondering where I would go next. Then, I came here and I stayed here. Before, I would scream. I would throw things... Now that I'm leaving, I don't throw things, I don't yell. I don't scream. I talk calmly to someone when I feel sad, mad or happy. When I leave today I will leave remembering all of you. Counselors and kids. And venture on to meet my dreams..."

~ YPC Client

CRISIS INTERVENTION TO 1,200 FAMILIES
served by our Mobile Response and Stabilization Services Program

The Catholic Charities Youth Partial Care program serves youth who are at risk of psychiatric hospitalization and those transitioning back into the community from a hospital or other therapeutic setting.

Catholic Charities provides before and after school care in select school districts across the Diocese. In preschool programs operated by Catholic Charities, children are served nutritious meals and snacks and family workers are paired with families to ensure the families' needs are met at this vulnerable stage of their child’s development.
Catholic Charities provides short-term, outpatient counseling and treatment to individuals, families, and couples who may be impacted by depression, anxiety, the loss of a loved one, parenting difficulties, child behavior problems and other common life stressors. Psychiatric evaluations and medication monitoring is available.

Our addiction services program provides comprehensive alcohol/drug assessments and individual, group or family counseling on an outpatient basis to individuals and families impacted by drugs or alcohol.

Through programs like these, we offer people help and healing on their path to wellness.

"Having faith does not mean having no difficulties, but having the strength to face them, knowing we are not alone." ~ Pope Francis
Financials

TOTAL REVENUE - FY2019

- 40% State Funding Contracts: $14,056,686
- 19% Client Generated Revenue: $6,468,677
- 14% Local/County Funding Contracts: $5,017,098
- 13% Medicaid/Medicare: $4,630,517
- 5% Diocese of Metuchen: $1,700,000
- 3% Donations - Cash & In-Kind: $1,178,612
- 3% Federal Funding Contracts: $1,163,539
- 1% Interest & Other Income: $457,507
- <1% Foundations: $55,680
- <1% United Way: $55,154

100% Total: $34,783,470

TOTAL EXPENSES - FY2019

- 49% Behavioral Health & Youth Services: $16,929,483
- 20% Child Care Services: $6,940,082
- 14% Social Justice & Disaster Relief: $4,722,526
- 10% General & Administration: $3,493,232
- 4% Out of Home Placement: $1,539,252
- 2% Housing & Homeless Prevention: $803,996
- <1% Fundraising: $87,159

100% Total: $34,515,730

"Money has to serve, not rule." - Pope Francis
# Our Services

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"A little bit of mercy makes the world less cold and more just." - Pope Francis
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You can help

DONATE

If you would like to help us serve more people in need, visit: www.ccdom.org/donate or call: 732-324-8200

VOLUNTEER

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen welcomes volunteers who enable us to offer a higher level of quality service to those in need. Opportunities include, but are not limited to office assistance, mentoring, and food preparation for our shelters. Call: 732-324-8200

DONATE YOUR VEHICLE

Turn your car, truck, or RV into a tax deductible donation. Free pick-up is available and vehicles do not need to be drivable. Visit www.ccdom.org/cars or call 877-999-8322

LEAVE A LEGACY

Please consider naming Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen as a beneficiary of your will. A gift through your will affirms your strong commitment to the needy that lasts beyond your lifetime. It is suggested that you use the following language:

I hereby give and devise to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen a charitable organization located at 319 Maple Street, Perth Amboy, New Jersey 08861, $________ to be used for its general charitable purposes.

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen prefers that gifts be made for unrestricted general purposes so that your gift can be used where it is most needed. Thank you for your kind and thoughtful consideration in this regard.

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- Pope Francis
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen is one of the largest non-profit social service providers in New Jersey. To so many who live on the margins, it means staying together, a place to live, food on the table, or help with a problem.

More than 172,000 hours of service through more than 100 programs was provided to our neighbors in the Diocesan counties of Hunterdon, Middlesex, Somerset and Warren last year.

Anyone can come to us for help, regardless of race, religion or ethnicity.