

CATHOLIC CHARITIES CARES Summary of Agency Services and Activities 2013

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto provides social services, leadership and advocacy for its member agencies and the people they serve. At its core is Catholic Social Teaching that focuses on the poor and marginalized, urging us all to build a just society and safeguard the dignity of every person.





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



In 2013, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto celebrated one hundred years of service and outreach in the archdiocese. The celebrations afforded an opportunity to thank those who have offered so much and to reflect upon the reality of the continuing need within our community. Perhaps most encouraging is the recognition of the vast amount of

goodwill and support that exists across the Archdiocese for helping the most vulnerable among us.

In 2013, Catholic Charities provided funding for 26 social service agencies involved in providing much needed support, assistance and outreach for families, children and youth, seniors, young parents and those with special needs. Through the generous support of the ShareLife campaign, Catholic Charities was able to increase funding to member agencies and affiliated organizations by approximately \$600,000 by way of one time funding grants to support the development of new initiatives in areas of significant need.

Catholic Charities' 100th Anniversary provided an opportunity to partner with our local Catholic school boards in the wonderful Doors of Hope Project where students brought their energy and imagination to focussing on the needs of the community and the response of our member agencies. Hopefully, a whole new generation of volunteers has been inspired!

Throughout this past year our agencies have certainly inspired us with their spirit of cooperation and community in embracing the shared services initiative which has shown that through collaboration, even in fiscally challenging times, services can be improved and strengthened. We have also been pleased with our continuing ability to raise awareness about important issues through the election guide produced for the recent provincial election.

As we move forward, taking guidance from the words and deeds of Pope Francis and the Pastoral Plan of the Archdiocese of Toronto, we know that any success Catholic Charities achieves relies entirely upon the continued support and dedication of our agencies, staff, volunteers and ShareLife and its donors. To all of you please accept our heartfelt thanks and appreciation.

Kevin A. McGivney, President of Catholic Charities

Silent Voice Effective outreach to deaf community

Thurga Kanagasekarampillai attended Silent Voice's Sign Language Summer Program (SLSP) Day Camp in 2003 and 2004 with her older sister who is also deaf. There were no other opportunities like it in their lives to make friends, communicate freely in sign language, and meet fabulous role models.

"The camp was awesome," says Thurga. "Instead of being the person who didn't participate because activities weren't accessible, I was immersed in a fully accessible, signing, environment, going on field trips, and learning new skills. The SLSP staff members were also amazing role models."



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Catholic Family Services of Peel-Dufferin Helping abused women find healing

Life for Katherine was "turned upside down" when she found herself being protected in her own home one night in Mississauga from an abusive spouse by Peel Regional Police and Victim Services. She needed a place to go where she could get on-going help. She was referred to Catholic Family Services of Peel-Dufferin, a member agency of Catholic Charities.

The "Sistering" and Community Wellness Centre program changed her life. "It introduced me to new friends and support workers to help me get back on my feet," Katherine said.

The "Sistering" and Community Wellness program is a volunteer program for women who have experienced abuse or oppression. The program lets women support other women who are beginning their healing journey.

Camp Ozanam Inclusive program helps youth

Every summer, about 600 boys aged 7 to 12 attend Camp Ozanam, a boy's camp near Stouffville. They are all city kids from low-income families who could never hope to have an opportunity to go to camp.

With funding from Catholic Charities, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Toronto Central Council manages and organizes activities at Camp Ozanam that gives these youngsters an opportunity to enjoy the great outdoors.

> For more on Catholic Charities visit www.catholiccharitiestor.org

Covenant House 'Achiever' raises awareness

When he was presented with a top youth achievement award at a recent gala at The Carlu, Kiwayne was only a short distance from the streets where he had been homeless, and a world away.

The former resident of Covenant House Toronto, a Catholic Charities' member agency, earned gold in the Duke of Edinburgh Awards and was appointed national youth representative on the esteemed program's board of directors.

In the building's food court a few years ago, he recalls falling asleep at the table trying to avoid having to go back outside. He found himself on the street until a friend told him about Covenant House.

"I was going down the wrong path and didn't know if I'd live to be 21," he says. Now he helps raise awareness about homeless youth and their potential for success. "Covenant House gave me stable housing that allowed me to go back to school and learn life skills."

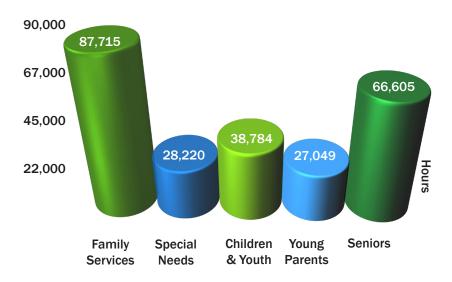
ADAPTING TO EMERGING NEED

Beginning its next 100 years, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto has done outreach through its member agencies to the most vulnerable in our community through community and family services, helping people with special needs, seniors, children and youth, young parents, immigrants and refugees.

SHARED SERVICES

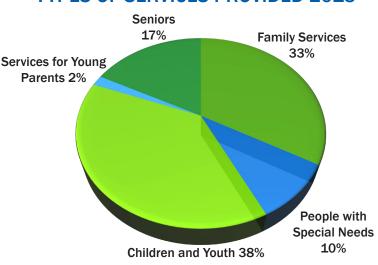
Catholic Charities' member agencies find ways to work together more creatively, always exploring ways to share resources in order to improve their ability to provide the services that people need in our communities.

MEMBER AGENCY VOLUNTEER HOURS



VOLUNTEERS STRENGTH Without the help and commitment of dedicated volunteers, Catholic Charities and its member agencies could not do the outreach needed.

Volunteers put in long hours, helping ensure that more funding flows to meet current and emerging needs. Using Ontario's minimum wage, the value of their contribution totalled an impressive \$2.7 million in 2013.



*Family Services also reflects the number of persons reached through settlement services such as newcomers in schools and welcome centres.

TYPES OF SERVICES PROVIDED 2013

CATHOLIC CHARITIES MEMBER AGENCIES

How you can contact member agencies of Catholic Charities COMMUNITY/FAMILY SERVICES PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDRE

Catholic Community Services of York Region T 905-770-7040 F 905-770-7064 T/F 1-800-263-2075 E ccsyr@ccsyr.org W www.ccsyr.org

Catholic Crosscultural Services T 416-757-7010 F 416-757-7399 W www.cathcrosscultural.org

Catholic Family Services of Durham T 905-725-3513 F 905-725-8377 T/F 1-877-282-8932 E info@cfsdurham.com W www.cfsdurham.com

Catholic Family Services of Peel T 905-450-1608 T 905-897-1644 F 905-450-8902 E info@cfspd.com W www.cfspd.com

Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County T 705-726-2503 F 705-726-2570 E info@cfssc.ca W www.cfssc.ca

Catholic Family Services of Toronto T 416-921-1163 F 416-921-1579 E info@cfstoronto.com W www.cfstoronto.com

FertilityCare Toronto T 416-465-2868 F 416-465-3538 E info@fertilitycare.ca W www.fertilitycare.ca

Natural Family Planning Association T 416-481-5465 E toronto@naturalplanning.ca W www.naturalfamilyplanning.ca/toronto

AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

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Mary Centre

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Our Place Community of Hope Centre T 416-598-2919 F 416-598-8912 E info@ourplacecommunityofhope.com W www.ourplacecommunityofhope.com

Saint Elizabeth Health Care T 905-940-9655 F 905-940-9934 E communications@saintelizabeth.com W www.saintelizabeth.com

St. Bernadette's Family Resource Centre T 416-654-9810 F 416-781-1632 E stbernadettesfrc@rogers.com W www.stbernadettesfrc.org

St. Michael's Homes / Matt Talbot Houses T 416-926-8267 F 416-926-8775 E info@stmichaelshomes.org W www.stmichaelshomes.org

Silent Voice Canada T 416-463-1104 F 416-778-1876 TTY 416-463-3928 E silent.voice@silentvoice.ca W www.silentvoice.ca **CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

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Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers T 905-853-5514 F 905-853-5949 E information@therose.ca W www.therose.ca

Vita Centre for Pregnant and Parenting Youth T 905-502-7933 F 905-502-7868 E info@vitamanor.org W www.vitamanor.org

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