IN ANY GIVEN YEAR
THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK...
Mission

The Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York seeks to uphold the dignity of each person as made in the image of God by serving the basic needs of the poor, troubled, frail, and oppressed of all religions. We collaborate with parishes and Catholic and non-Catholic partners to build a compassionate and just society. Through a network of administered, sponsored, and affiliated agencies, Catholic Charities delivers, coordinates, and advocates for quality human services and programs touching almost every human need.

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*...Provide 5,600,000 meals through kitchens • Serve 98,400 meals in senior line calls from teens and other individuals • Respond to 46,500 requests for social, employment, and educational services • Provide foster care for 3,100 children and their natural parents and find adoptive services to more than 6,200 families with spiritual programs for 5,000 young people • Provide temporary, transitional housing for 650 individuals with mental and rental assistance • Provide emergency services to 3,000 runaway and at-risk young children • Provide day care and after care for 3,000 runaways and 5,000 young children • Provide temporary, transitional housing for 650 individuals with mental health and rental assistance • Provide emergency services to 3,000 runaway and at-risk young children • Provide day care and after care for 3,000 runaways and 5,000 young children • Provide temporary, transitional housing for 650 individuals with mental health and rental assistance • Provide emergency services to 3,000 runaway and at-risk young children.
community and parish food pantries • Serve 110,000 prepared meals in community centers and 4,100 meals to the homebound elderly • Respond to 75,000 hot in crisis • Provide information and referral for social services for 28,000 for information about services from immigrants and refugees • Resettle and provide to 350 refugees • Coordinate services and provide advocacy for 13,000 individuals • and group care for 2,000 adolescents • Reunite 650 children in foster care with parents for 500 children • Provide counseling, parenting skills and other support children at risk • Provide athletic programs for 32,500 youth and cultural and • Provide summer camps for 1,500 youth • Provide residential and support teens • Provide day care and nurseries for more than 3,700 infants and early intervention services for 1,900 developmentally disabled or permanent housing for 1,800 people with special needs • Provide illness • Prevent eviction of more than 1,580 families through advocacy financial and in-kind assistance to more than 12,000 individuals • services to 2,000 individuals • Provide job training and skills individuals • Provide adult education and high school equivalency behavioral health counseling and treatment for 19,000 families and families helping elderly relatives • Assist 11,500 visually impaired Support 80 parish-based programs assisting the homebound elderly

* This information is compiled from the annual survey of more than 100 Catholic Charities affiliated agencies and programs in the Archdiocese of New York.
Visible to many, hunger is real and immediate to a little girl without a home and an old man sifting through sidewalk garbage. And here, in our sparkling city and our bountiful nation, the ranks of the hungry are growing. As demand rises and government programs shrink, the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York struggle to fill the gap. Already heavily used, our parish pantries and food banks served 17 percent more hungry persons this year than last. Catholic Charities feeds nearly 12,000 people during the Thanksgiving holidays alone. Donning a white apron and handing out turkeys to a hungry crowd, the Cardinal remarked that “as we celebrate Thanksgiving, we cannot forget our brother and sister New Yorkers who are hungry.”

“We must fashion a response... that enables a City and Nation blessed by God with such great resources to provide decent meals for each individual and family in need.”

— Edward Cardinal Egan
Dear Friends:

In homilies and conversations, it has been my pleasure to say that our Archdiocesan Catholic Charities provide more than 5,600,000 meals a year through community and parish food pantries. Hundreds of thousands of meals are served in community kitchens and senior centers and delivered to the homebound elderly. These are extraordinary numbers. They translate into dedicated staff and hundreds of volunteers practicing the virtue of charity about which our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, spoke so eloquently in his encyclical, Deus Caritas Est—God is Love.

Part of my Thanksgiving tradition as Archbishop of New York is to join Catholic Charities as it distributes turkeys and all the trimmings of a holiday meal to needy families at the Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy Memorial Community Center in Harlem. Each year, hundreds come to this Catholic Charities site with grocery carts, shopping bags or just their arms and bare hands to carry home a hearty Thanksgiving meal to their families. Children, grandparents and even the disabled come and share their anticipation. Now, as I recall this hectic but joyous scene, I cannot help but think of the power of the Holy Father’s words as he sounded a clarion call for us to practice love through works of charity and attend to people’s sufferings and needs.

My visit to the Thorpe Family Residence, one of the affiliated Catholic Charities agencies in the Bronx, just a few days before Christmas, was replete with holiday festivity. Formerly homeless mothers and their children live at Thorpe, one of the few residences for women who have children. While there, I attended a Christmas party for youngsters—all under five. Amid the laughter of children who had once been homeless, how easy it was to think of the Christ Child born not in a home, but in a stable because of His Love for us and how fitting it was to remember that Catholic Charities derives its name from the Latin word “caritas”—love.

Catholic Charities seeks to address almost every human need as it serves “the poor, troubled, frail and oppressed of all religions.” The homeless and hungry, the physically and mentally challenged, the neglected and abused children, the elderly and the young, the lost, the lonely and the frightened—all are helped with compassion and dignity by the workers and volunteers of Catholic Charities. If I may breathe new life into an old cliché: this is, indeed, “a labor of love.”

Please read and share this Annual Report. The “caritas” of our Holy Father’s encyclical is made clear in its pages. Each and every story is a reason to manifest your love by supporting the work of Catholic Charities.

With prayerful best wishes, I remain

Very truly yours in Christ,

Edward Cardinal Egan
Archbishop of New York
Dear Friends of Catholic Charities:

The theme of this 2005 Annual Report calls attention to the scope and diversity of Catholic Charities services. "In any given year" ....Catholic Charities serves hundreds of thousands of needy individuals and families. All this work is rendered with compassion and the deepest regard for each individual's dignity.

This work and caring is possible in an environment of changing human needs and limited resources because Catholic Charities is fortunate to have professional staff who "go the extra mile" as the norm. Catholic Charities' volunteers in parishes and communities constitute a determined cadre of compassionate individuals who are particularly concerned with our young and the homeless and hungry.

Catholic Charities is also fortunate in having the support of His Eminence, Cardinal Egan, whose busy schedule includes regular visits to our agencies and programs throughout the Archdiocese. He brings an understanding of the work of Catholic Charities to thousands through his writings, homilies, and discussions. Our Board of Trustees works to strengthen Catholic Charities to meet the inevitable challenges of "touching almost every human need" now and in the future.

Another bulwark of support for Catholic Charities are the more than 1000 volunteer directors and trustees who provide governance for more than 100 agencies of The Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York. They offer a wealth of experience, support, and guidance in overseeing the integrity of the agencies and the high quality of their services. In every meeting of the Board of Trustees of Catholic Charities my gratitude for the members’ loyalty, enthusiasm for, and insight into our work is renewed.

My association with Catholic Charities has lasted many years—and I am moved by its constancy. Whether responding to natural disasters or man-made catastrophes, burgeoning social problems, or reduced governmental support, Catholic Charities has stood fast in its dedication to those in need. This Annual Report is just one chapter, just one leg of a continuing journey that is characterized by providing help and creating hope wherever, whenever and however needed.

With warmest regards,

John J. Phelan, Jr.
Chairman of the Board
A PREMATURE BABY in Liberia was born no bigger than a handful. Her mother died in childbirth and her father was murdered. So the nurses named the baby Handfull. For nearly five years, Handfull, her aunt and four cousins struggled to survive in a primitive refugee shack. Finally, with Catholic Charities’ help, Handfull’s great Aunt Lucy, who lived in New York City, brought her relatives to live with her in safety. Catholic Charities provides legal representation to needy immigrants and refugees applying for asylum and family-reunification, permanent residence and naturalization. But Handfull needed more. She needed a mother. Lucy wanted to adopt her but had no funds. Catholic Charities stepped in again, paying the attorney’s adoption-processing fee. Money remains as tight for the family as their living quarters. But they are happy to be together and alive.

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BABY GIRLS SOMETIMES DISAPPEAR in China as parents pursue their dream of boys. Disabled babies are often abandoned. Mengting was born female and so disabled that she couldn’t speak or even hold up her head. But her mother, Han, could not desert the little girl. Instead, she and her husband fled to the United States. Knowing little English and baffled by the new culture, Han could not find work. So she turned to Catholic Charities affiliate, Grace Institute. The institute enrolled her in its tuition-free administrative assistant training program and later helped Han find a steady job. Now, between Han’s husband’s salary as a kitchen worker and Han’s job, the family meets their expenses. They turned Mengting’s bright bedroom into a makeshift hospital, complete with medicine, I.V.’s, music and Mengting’s favorite Barney doll. “Mengting is like Snow White,” her little brother said. “She understands sound and maybe she understands more than we think.”

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REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Monsignor Kevin Sullivan

It has been heartening to hear from so many different people how Catholic Charities goes the extra mile to help needy New Yorkers rebuild their lives. One family—Hurricane Katrina evacuees—stands out among the many. They drove from New Orleans in their old car making only one stop, in Baltimore, to stay overnight with relatives. As they left Baltimore, those relatives gave them good advice: “Remember, when you’re in New York, if you need anything go to Catholic Charities. They’ll treat you right and they really know how to help solve people’s problems.”

That made my day. The relatives in Baltimore got it right about Catholic Charities. “If you need anything”—we touch almost every human need. “They’ll treat you right”—no matter how troubled, we always treat a person with dignity as made in the image of God. “They really know how to solve people’s problems”—we at Catholic Charities listen to understand people’s problems; then we promptly provide or connect them with the help they need for as long as they need it.

Let me take this opportunity to describe just a few steps Catholic Charities has taken in “going that extra mile,” responding to Hurricane Katrina in the Gulf region and New York; reaching out to immigrants and working for just immigration... neglected and abused children, and changing to meet shifting and growing human needs in the New York metropolitan area.

RECOVERING FROM DISASTER

The unique tragedy of 9/11 thrust Catholic Charities into a new role: to provide the human services that help people after a community-wide disaster. Much disaster response focused on the families of those killed. So Catholic Charities concentrated on those ineligible for federal and other relief programs; for example, those living or doing business slightly beyond Canal Street or the thousands of service workers, mostly immigrants, who lost their jobs.

Out of this devastation, Catholic Charities was able to help a small Phoenix rise: Colors, a new four-star restaurant owned and operated by workers left unemployed by 9/11. With donated funds, Catholic Charities subsidized the salaries of workers during Colors’ start-up period. The restaurant was established by more than 100 former Windows on the World workers.

In August 2005, two back-to-back hurricanes—Katrina and Rita—caused such devastation in the Gulf region that thousands are still displaced. With the lessons learned from our 9/11 response about short-term relief and long-term assistance, Catholic Charities in New York crafted two types of help. Almost immediately, we sent a team of human service workers in collaboration with Catholic Charities of Brooklyn and Queens to assist Catholic Charities of Houston, which received more than 200,000 evacuees. Additionally, we coordinated the case management services of agencies helping the more than 2300 hurricane evacuees who came to New York City. We managed the Katrina Helpline and included Katrina families in our St. Nicholas Project to make sure they had gifts to open on Christmas a long way from home. Two Catholic Charities staff have received national recognition for their work in helping Katrina victims in a special ceremony on Ellis Island.

IMMIGRANTS & REFUGEES

Catholic Charities remains—as we have for decades—at the center of services to immigrants and refugees and the public debate about just immigration policies. Our experience in helping tens of thousands of immigrants with information, English language and work skills, proper documents, re-uniting with their families and citizenship provides us with the perspective and credibility to offer a balanced and reasoned approach to immigration reform. More than 40,000 immigrants and refugees call the New York State Immigration and National Refugee hotlines that Catholic Charities operates. Hundreds

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Are assisted by Catholic Charities attorneys to find protection from religious and political persecution in their native countries by seeking asylum in the United States.

In the Fordham section of the Bronx around the corner from St. Nicholas of Tolentine Church, Tolentine Zeiser/St. Rita’s has been at the forefront of welcoming immigrants and refugees to this City for more than 25 years. Their programs and services, particularly to Asian refugees, are well known for their compassion and high quality. Over the years, more than 5,000 new Americans have been helped to learn English, find jobs and housing and educate their children through this magnificent effort.

All this experience informs our advocacy for just immigration reform in line with the Catholic Campaign for Immigration Reform. Comprehensive and humane reform must foster the unification of families, curb illegal immigration, provide legal work opportunities for immigrants that do not undercut American workers, and create an earned pathway toward citizenship.

VULNERABLE CHILDREN: SUPPORTING AND REBUILDING LIVES

One of the saddest moments of my year was the funeral I attended of a little girl Nixmary Brown who was buried from St. Mary’s Church on the Lower East Side shortly after Christmas. Nixmary died tragically and unnecessarily because she was not connected to the support services needed to save her from the abuse and violence inflicted on her. This was particularly poignant to me because the original legacy and current thrust of Catholic Charities is so centered on the needs of similarly vulnerable children and their families. Our agencies work tirelessly to insure children’s safety either in their own home or in the homes of other caring families. We offer counseling, day care and respite to more than 3,000 families in crisis so they can safely raise their own children. Catholic Charities agencies, including those in Brooklyn and Queens, recruit, train and oversee thousands of foster families, providing protection each night to 6,500 children, more than 40 percent of the children in New York City foster care system.

RESTRICTURING TO REVITALIZE

In a decade, Catholic Charities will celebrate its 100th anniversary. To reverse an old adage, the more things remain the same, the more they change. We remainunchanging in our commitment to the Catholic Charities mission: to touch human needs particularly those of the frail, poor, vulnerable and oppressed. However, we change as human service needs change. Let me mention a few important changes of the past year.

- Last year the leadership of Catholic Big Sisters and Catholic Big Brothers blended their prestigious traditions into one organization: Catholic Big Sisters and Big Brothers (CBSBB). In doing so, programs and services are being enhanced and administrative costs reduced. The new organization will set up gender specific programming that recognizes the different developmental needs of boys and girls. CBSBB will take root and grow in the Catholic Charities Cardinal Spellman Center on the Lower East Side, which is being renovated to meet its needs.

- Catholic Guardian Society and Catholic Home Bureau have merged into one of the largest child welfare agencies serving vulnerable children and families throughout New York. Combining the strengths of both organizations, Catholic Guardian Society and Home Bureau will help women dealing with unplanned pregnancies, abused and neglected children and adolescents, working mothers needing safe day care, troubled families struggling to raise their children, and developmentally and physically challenged adults.

- The demographics of Staten Island are changing as new groups make it their home. The needs for human services are changing, too. Two Catholic Charities agencies, the
Mission of the Immaculate Virgin at Mount Loretto and the Catholic Youth Organization Center are crafting a strategic plan to respond to new needs on Staten Island and develop the resources to support that response. These agencies have been collaborating for the past few years in the development of the CYO/MIV Community Center and a summer camping program that includes a special camp for disabled children.

For 50 years, the Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy Memorial Community Center has been serving Harlem youngsters and their neighborhoods. Currently, changes in Harlem offer possibilities for redesigning the Center to better meet the new and emerging needs of those neighborhoods. We have already expanded employment services to youth and adults and, with the collaboration of community members, we are identifying additional services for the Kennedy Center. Revitalized, the center will remain a vital part of Harlem for another 50 years—at least.

The need to reorganize the services of Pius XII Family and Youth Services gave Catholic Charities the opportunity to establish a new locally based agency in the Hudson Valley, Catholic Charities Community Services of Orange County, to meet the diverse needs of this, the fastest growing county of the Archdiocese. Led by the Vicar, clergy, parish and community leaders of Orange County, this agency will focus on the specific needs of Orange County residents by providing an array of services including outpatient chemical dependency treatment, employee assistance, day care, and emergency services.

THE CHANGING FACES AND PLACES OF HUMAN NEED

Recently, the New York metropolitan economy has been robust. Yet, the poor, frail and vulnerable are still with us. Their ranks include working and middle class families that can’t afford the rising costs of basic necessities, especially housing and fuel. Shortly after his re-election, Mayor Bloomberg set the reduction of poverty in New York City as a priority. He established a public-private Commission on Economic Opportunity. I was pleased to accept the Mayor’s invitation to serve on this Commission. This invitation is recognition of how much so many—staff, volunteers, donors—of the federation of Catholic Charities agencies are doing to alleviate both the causes and effects of poverty.

However, poverty is not limited to New York City. As gentrification raises the cost of living in inner city neighborhoods, the poor move to the suburbs. Catholic Charities regional offices and agencies throughout the Hudson Valley are meeting new demands for services resulting from these demographic shifts.

To deal with the changing faces of human need in our area, Catholic Charities initiated a targeted strategic planning process. Catholic Charities must respond effectively and efficiently to the needs of New Yorkers and prudently steward the resources entrusted to us by private donors and public agencies. This process seeks strategies to better support, coordinate and unleash the compassion of more than 100 Catholic Charities agencies and programs helping children and families in every New York locality. Catholic Charities cannot and will not rest secure upon its legacy—as prestigious as it may be. Our mission demands we strive to do more to build a compassionate and just society in which no child or adult is without a place at the table.

Let me end as I began, by recalling the advice given to a needy family by their relatives from Baltimore: “Remember, when you’re in New York, if you need anything go to Catholic Charities. They’ll treat you right and they really know how to help solve people’s problems.”

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The Mbewe Family, Katrina refugees, helped by Catholic Charities

Provide emergency financial and in-kind assistance to more than 12,000 individuals
Provide residential and support services to 3,000 runaway and at-risk teens

TRAVIS STRADDLED TWO WORLDS. By day, he was a good student with a scholarship to Cardinal Hayes High School. But after school, he blended into his South Bronx neighborhood culture of gangs, drugs and brutality. His mother was so terrified when Travis came home bloodied from a knife fight, she told him to get out and get help. Catholic Charities affiliate Covenant House / Under 21 shelters homeless and at-risk youth like Travis. It offers emotional, employment and educational counseling and a safe place where often-shattered teens learn to live and succeed on their own. Still at Covenant House / Under 21, Travis, now 19, studies biomechanical engineering while putting in 40-hour weeks as a restaurant busboy. He hopes to start a computer company after he graduates from college and dreams of becoming the next Bill Gates.

“We are catching him at the beginning stages of becoming great.”

— Covenant House / Under 21
Agency Highlights

Catholic Charities is a federation of more than 100 Catholic human services agencies and programs located throughout New York City and the Hudson Valley. Together the agencies respond to almost every human need. Just a few agencies are highlighted here. The full directory of Catholic Charities Federation agencies begins on page 15.

THORPE FAMILY RESIDENCES
The Thorpe Family Residences in the Bronx offer both transitional and permanent homes for homeless mothers and their children. Sister Barbara Lenninger opened the first Thorpe Family Residence seventeen years ago with the sponsorship of the Dominican Sisters of Sparkill. It provided transitional housing for women and their children because most shelters accepted only men. Mothers are often reunited with their children at Thorpe after being incarcerated, as well as homeless. Park Avenue Thorpe Residence, also in the Bronx, was developed to offer permanent supportive housing because the Thorpe staff recognized that many formerly homeless families needed permanent residential support. It offers mothers counseling, referrals to job training and alternative education programs, on-site workshops, domestic violence prevention, self-defense, client advocacy workshops, and English-as-a-Second Language classes. Park Avenue Thorpe, which is operated by St. Dominic’s Home under the sponsorship of the Dominican Sisters of Blauvelt, has a Universal Kindergarten. It also has a day care center for child residents and community children.

GRACE INSTITUTE
For more than a century, Grace Institute has provided tuition-free, practical job training in a supportive learning community for underserved women of all ages in the New York area. Grace Institute was founded by William Russell Grace, a former mayor of New York City, his brother, Michael P. Grace, and Grace Dodge, the first woman appointed to the NYC Board of Education. In the 21st century, Grace combines training in administrative assistant and sophisticated technical skills within an environment of respect to foster professional and personal growth and the independence of employment. More than 100,000 women have been trained at Grace Institute. These programs include business writing and communications, business mathematics, office procedures, computer skills and keyboarding. Special programs include entrepreneurship training for women who want to start their own business. Grace also offers professional career development, internship opportunities and job placement. In 1972, The Grace Institute Outreach Program was initiated for women in the Bronx and offers English-as-a-Second-Language and GED courses along with its business curriculum and an extensive job placement program.

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Provide adult education and high school equivalency classes for 1,400 students
Catholic Charities Community Services of Orange County, a newly established agency of the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York, offers a broad range of human services that include outpatient chemical dependency treatment, day care and an employee assistance program. Other services include immigrant assistance, case management for families and seniors struggling to meet basic needs, Food Stamp Outreach—part of the Food Stamp Program, CYO youth sports and spiritual development, maternity services for women dealing with crisis pregnancies, and access to affordable health care. The new agency is based locally at sites throughout Orange County and with a Board of Directors, chaired by Bishop Dominick Lagonegro, Episcopal Vicar for Orange County. Its members are area residents committed to enhancing the vitality of human services and to sharpening their focus on helping Orange County neighbors of all religions.

**Mercy Center**

A neighborhood center for women and families in the South Bronx, Mercy Center provides educational, technical, human and supportive services to women and other family members empowering them to be agents of change in their families and communities. Founded fifteen years ago by Sister Mary Ann Dirr, RSM and women from the community, Mercy Center helps women turn poverty to economic self-sufficiency, despair to hopefulness, and violent and oppressive family dynamics to respectful and enriching relationships. There are four core Mercy Center programs: Employment-Yes! Job Development and Entrepreneurship Program offers language, financial and computer literacy, GED classes, job search skills, job placement, and entrepreneurial training and support. Family Alternatives to Violence offers anger management and parenting classes, family weekends and family development opportunities. CHAMPIONS provides a safe environment after school and on weekends for children. ESL/Immigrant Services offers English instruction, a reading library, computer labs and assistance for immigrants regarding documentation and status.

**Catholic Guardian Society and Home Bureau**

After a century of independent and pioneering support for children, families and individuals with special needs, the Catholic Guardian Society and the Catholic Home Bureau merged to become one agency: the Catholic Guardian Society and Home Bureau. The merger was a planned response by both Boards of Directors to changes in child welfare policy and needs for human services. Historically, both agencies offered an array of programs including residential foster care. The new agency provides privately funded adoption, foster boarding home services, family day care, homeless and maternity services, child

Provide daycare and nurseries for more than 3,700 infants and young children.
welfare services such as child abuse and neglect prevention, family reunification and juvenile justice services. It is also a major provider of residential services and respite care for people with mental retardation and developmental disabilities, for individuals with severe hearing impairments, and for non-ambulatory, dually diagnosed and geriatric populations.

**YOUTH MINISTRIES FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE**

Youth Ministries for Peace and Justice is a faith-based youth development organization that uses environmental activism and community stabilization as modalities for the enrichment of inner city youth in the South Bronx. The mission of Youth Ministries is to partner with community youth to rebuild the neighborhoods of Bronx River and Soundview/Bruckner. As a hub of community organization and youth development, Youth Ministries encourages youth, ages 5-21 years, to become powerful community organizers, critical thinkers and compassionate human beings who focus their activities on improving the environment and quality of life for their community of 65,000 people. Youth Ministries offers programs in community health, community organizing, art and education. Founded in 1994 by Alexie Torres Fleming in reaction to widespread acts of arson and vandalism in the community, Youth Ministries has organized public housing tenants to create community gardens, fought polluters, cleaned contaminated sites adjacent to the Bronx River and secured $1.25 million for the construction of River House at Starlight Park, and worked to decommission the Sheridan Expressway.

**ABRAHAM HOUSE**

Abraham House, located in Mott Haven, provides a unique set of programs and services designed to break the intergenerational crime cycle for those affected by the criminal justice system: ex-offenders, their families and especially their children. Abraham House offers residential and non-residential Alternative to Incarceration programs, social services, ESOLiteracy classes, job training, counseling, and clothing at its Family and Pastoral Center, an After School Program, a Teen Initiative, and a food pantry used by 100 local families every week. It was founded in the 1980’s by two prison chaplains working on Riker’s Island, Father Peter Raphael and Sister Simone Bonnet. The mission of Abraham house is based in the founders’ experience that real rehabilitation is comprehensive. It requires a focus on family issues, education, discipline, clear rules, counseling, employment and emotional and spiritual support. Abraham House started in one apartment in Brooklyn and moved to its current location in the South Bronx when Catholic Charities facilitated the donation of an older building. Demand continued to require more space. In 2005, Abraham House broke ground for a major expansion and integration of facilities to better serve its families and children.

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Provide job training and skills development for more than 4,700 individuals
RAISED AS A FOSTER CHILD and bounced from family to family, Natalie dreamed of providing more for her own children. But when her fiancé died in a car crash just after she learned she was pregnant, she worried that her baby might follow her own lonely path. Natalie was just 17. She had no job, no high school degree and no idea where to turn. Fortunately, she found Catholic Charities. During her pregnancy, Natalie stayed with other unwed teens at Rosalie Hall, where she received shelter, counseling and support. After her baby was born, Natalie enrolled in Catholic Charities Marie Smith Urban Street Academy. There, she studied for a G.E.D., received job training and placement services — and a new wardrobe for job interviews. Today, Natalie spends her weekdays working at a Manhattan mortgage-banking firm. But she spends every other moment with her little girl, age two, who looks just like her.

“...she spends every other moment with her little girl, age two, who looks just like her.”
Respond to 75,000 hotline calls from teens and other individuals in crisis.
“We concentrate on focusing the public immigration debate on families, work, individual dignity, solidarity, compassion and justice.” Monsignor Kevin Sullivan

Imigrants rally

CATHOLIC KOLPING SOCIETY
165 East 88 Street
New York, NY 10128
Director: Robert Hemsing
(212) 369-6647
www.kolpingny.org
Temporary housing for men in Manhattan and retired men in the Bronx.

CENTRO MARIA RESIDENCE
539 West 54 Street
New York, NY 10019
Director: Sr. Clara Echeverria
(212) 581-5273
Housing and job placement services for immigrant women seeking education and/or employment.

CHRIST HOUSE, INC.
432 East 142 Street
Bronx, NY 10454
Director: Raul Morales
(718) 665-8740
Housing for men with special circumstances.

CREATE, INC.
73 Lenox Avenue
New York, NY 10026
Director: Ralph Perez
(212) 663-1975
Residential and outpatient services for chemically dependent persons and emergency food service for the community.

CUSA – AN APOSTOLATE OF THE SICK OR DISABLED
317 Madison Avenue Suite 1004
New York, NY 10017
Director: Donald J. Guarino
(646) 452-6700
www.CUSAN.org
An active apostolate which unites its disabled or chronically ill members in the Cross of Christ.

DOWLING GARDENS
190 Kings Highway
PO Box 276
Sparkill, NY 10976
Director: Sr. Ursula Joyce
(845) 365-1662
Residential and support services for seniors.

ENCORE COMMUNITY SERVICES
239 West 49 Street
New York, NY 10019
Director: Sr. Elizabeth Hasselt
(212) 581-2910
www.encorecommunityservices.org
Residential and support services for seniors.

FIorentino Residence
1830 Amethyst Street
Bronx, NY 10461
(718) 918-1944
Senior housing.

GOOD COUNSEL, INC.
411 Clinton Street
Hoboken, NJ 07030
Director: Christopher Bell
(201) 795-0637
www.goodcounselhomes.org
Residential and financial assistance, counseling, medical services and case management for women facing a crisis pregnancy.

GOOD SHEPHERD SERVICES
305 Seventh Avenue
New York, NY 10001
Director: Sr. Paulette LoMonaco
(212) 243-7070
www.goodshepherdny.org
Foster care, group residences for teens, family reunification, adoption and prevention services.

GRACE INSTITUTE
1233 Second Avenue
New York, NY 10021
Director: Mary B. Mulvihill, Ed.D.
(212) 832-7605
www.graceinstitute.org
Job training for women.

GRAND STREET HDFC
410 Grand Street
New York, NY 10002
(212) 674-2820
Housing for families.

HAVEN PLAZA
726 East 13 Street
New York, NY 10009
(212) 475-2900
Supportive housing for families.

HIGHBRIDGE UNITY CENTER
1465 Nelson Avenue
Bronx, NY 10452
Director: Jorge Batista
(718) 293-3100 x123
Social and other services for the highbridge community.

Provide temporary, transitional and permanent housing for 1,800 people with special needs

THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK
Directory (continued)
HOLY NAME CENTRE FOR HOMELESS MEN
18 Bleecker Street
New York, NY 10012
Director: Rev. Msgr. John B. Ahern
(212) 226-5848
Support services for homeless men.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION RESIDENCE
7132 Tilden Street
Bronx, NY 10461
Senior Housing

INCARNATION CHILDREN’S CENTER, INC.
142 Audubon Avenue
New York, NY 10033
Director: Carolyn Castro
(212) 928-2590
www.icc-pedsaids.org
Pediatric skilled nursing for infants and children with HIV/AIDS.

JEANNE D’ARC RESIDENCE
253 West 24 Street
New York, NY 10011
Director: Sr. Marlene Rust, CDP
(212) 989-5952
Temporary housing for women.

JOHN PAUL II RESIDENCE
202 West 141 Street
Harlem, NY 10030
(212) 690-4700
Senior apartments.

KENNEDY CHILD STUDY CENTER
151 East 67 Street
New York, NY 10021
Director: Peter Gorham
(212) 988-9500
www.kennedychildstudycenter.org
Educational and therapeutic services for children diagnosed with mental retardation and other developmental disabilities and delays, counseling and supportive services for families.

LADIES OF CHARITY OF THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF NY
1011 First Avenue
New York, NY 10022
Director: Susan Marie Grady
(212) 371-1000
www.ladiesofcharity.org
Volunteer services and fund raising.

LAMP MINISTRIES, INC.
2704 Schurz Avenue
Bronx, NY 10465
Director: Drs. Tom & Lyn Scheuring
(718) 409-5062
www.lampministries.org
Services for the poor and homeless.

LAVELLE SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND
3830 Paulding Avenue
Bronx, NY 10469
Director: W. Frank Simpson
(718) 882-1212
Educational services for visually impaired children.

LEVITICUS 25-23 ALTERNATIVE FUND, INC.
33 Main Street
Elmsford, NY 10523
Director: David C. Raynor
(914) 606-9003
www.leviticusfund.org
Community development loan fund whose mission is to place their members and associate members’ capital at the disposal of the poor.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE ASSUMPTION FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES
333 East 115 Street
New York, NY 10029
Director: Sr. Judith Garson
(212) 987-9422
East Harlem based services to address the physical, emotional, educational, and spiritual dimensions of family health through home-based and center-based programs.

LIFE EXPERIENCE AND FAITH SHARING ASSOCIATION
47 East 129 Street
New York, NY 10035
Director: Sr. Dorothy Gallant, SC
(212) 996-7303
Spiritual and social outreach services delivered in shelters, drop-in centers, spiritual needs centers.

LOTT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
1261 Fifth Avenue
New York, NY 10029
Director: James Janeski
(212) 534-6464
Supportive housing for seniors.

MARIA DROSTE SERVICES
386 Park Avenue South, Ste. 903
New York, NY 10016
Director: Betsy Selman Babinecz, DCSW
(212) 889-4042
www.mariadrosteservices.com
Psychotherapy and counseling services for individuals, couples and groups.

Provide daycare and early intervention services for 1,900 developmentally disabled children.

“Catholic Guardian Society and Catholic Home Bureau merged into one of the largest child welfare agencies ... in New York.”

Developmentally disabled clients of Catholic Guardian Society stop for a group photo while enjoying a trip to a theme park.
“CYO provides spiritual, athletic, cultural and recreational programs for youth”

Cultural and spiritual programs for 5,000 young people.
provide athletic programs for more than 32,500 youths
“Catholic Charities seeks to uphold the dignity of each person as made in the image of God.”

Mission

Assist 11,500 visually impaired and 100 hearing impaired individuals
Provide behavioral health counseling and treatment for 19,000 families and individuals.

WHEREVER EUGENE GOES, he carries his four-foot tall stuffed “Bugs Bunny.” Abandoned at the door of an orphanage as a young child, Eugene spent most of his 68 years battling the mental illness and depression induced by childhood deprivation. Now, thanks to the daily support and counseling he receives at Catholic Charities Beacon of Hope Boulevard Club House, Eugene is pulling the pieces of his life together again, leaning on Bugs as a bridge to humanity and reality. “Bugs is safe,” explained Eugene, his lean face dominated by oversized glasses. “You don’t see any rabbits hopping around wearing glasses, do you?” he quipped. Bugs helps Eugene transition from psychosis to reality. In a more substantive way, Beacon of Hope helps Eugene adapt to the world around him. It provides residences, day programs, job training and emotional support for the mentally challenged.

“Thanks to the daily support and counseling he receives at Beacon of Hope Boulevard Club House, Eugene is pulling the pieces of his life back together again.”
Philanthropy

“A holiday tradition, the Cardinal’s Christmas Luncheon welcomes the festive Christmas season.”

The generosity of individuals, corporations and foundations sustain the capacity of Catholic Charities to help in an environment of increasing demand. Catholic Charities is grateful for that generosity, and, in particular, for the volunteer leadership of its fundraising efforts.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Catholic Charities

Cardinal Egan with Honorees Patricia Dillon (left) and Mary McCooey (right) at the Cardinal’s Christmas Luncheon.

CARDINAL’S COMMITTEE FOR CHARITY
The Committee is made up of business professionals, serving at the behest of His Eminence. They provide and facilitate financial assistance and counsel for The Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York. The work of the Cardinal’s Committee for Charity is structured around divisions that reflect various business sectors of New York. These include Finance, Hospitality and Tourism, Real Estate and Accounting, and two new divisions in formation.

The Hispanic Division recognizes the contributions and needs of the nation’s largest minority group. Composed of New York Hispanic American business and professional leaders, the Division provides counsel regarding services for this community, recruits and serves on Catholic Charities Boards of Directors and raises funds to carry out the agency’s mission.

The Samaritan Division involves a broader spectrum of upcoming business professionals in the industries represented by the Cardinal’s Committee for Charity. The Samaritans’ fundraising efforts will focus on the St. Nicholas Project. This project supports year-round services for children and families helped by Catholic Charities. A special highlight of the St. Nicholas Project are the Christmas holiday programs that provide gifts at Christmas for these individuals and families in need.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES
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Provide foster care for 3,100 children and group care for 2,000 adolescents

For more information about all forms of giving, volunteering and participating in the Cardinal’s Committee for Charity, please contact the Catholic Charities Office of Development, 212-371-1011, x 2443 or visit our Website at www.catholiccharitiesny.org.
Provide addiction treatment and prevention services to 2,000 individuals

GENEROSITY TAKES MANY FORMS

Supporting Catholic Charities’ response to nearly every human need can take many forms: cash gifts, matching gifts, gifts of marketable securities, planned gifts, gifts of retirement plan assets, gifts of life insurance and real estate and volunteering time and talents.

REGINA COELI LEGACY SOCIETY

For the first time, donors can live on in the work of Catholic Charities by purchasing a charitable gift annuity naming Catholic Charities as the sole beneficiary and becoming members of the Regina Coeli Legacy Society. Membership includes special recognition and benefits. Other planned giving opportunities are available to interested donors.

CHORUS OF ANGELS GIVING CLUB

Interested supporters of Catholic Charities can make their annual giving easier and more efficient by joining the Chorus of Angels Giving Club. Donors can become Angels by making their gifts through automatic monthly credit card payments.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Focused on volunteerism, outreach and fundraising in support of client services, the Young Professionals was organized to cultivate the next generation of volunteer and philanthropic leadership for Catholic Charities. This group coordinates an annual calendar of volunteer projects, including the holiday programs of the St. Nicholas Project, and hosts fundraising events.

ST. NICHOLAS PROJECT

The St. Nicholas Project carries on the tradition of generosity and charity characteristic of St. Nicholas, the third century Bishop of Myra. Often associated with Christmas giving, St. Nicholas was known for his care of the poor throughout the whole year. A particular focus of the year-round assistance given by the St. Nicholas Project is to help clients better understand their needs and coordinate and advocate for the services they require. Catholic Charities professional staff is there to help with emergency crises and long-term support. The fundraising activities of the Samaritan Committee and the Young Professionals support the St. Nicholas Project.

WILLS AND BEQUESTS

Catholic Charities welcomes wills and bequests in support of its programs and services. Charitable bequests should specify that they are for The Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York.

THE CARDINAL’S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

Cardinal Egan and The Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York, in association with The Ladies of Charity of the Archdiocese of New York, presented the Cardinal’s Christmas Luncheon at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. In its 60th year, the event is a festive New York holiday tradition. It benefits thousands of needy women and children of all religions served by the programs and affiliated agencies of Catholic Charities. At the luncheon, the Christmas Angel Award was given to Patricia Dillon for her outreach to the poor and suffering, particularly children. The Spirit of St. Nicholas Award was presented to Mary C. McCooey for volunteer efforts that bring the hope of the holiday season year round to those in need. Author Mary Higgins Clark was the Luncheon Chairwoman. Joseph E. Spinnato and Thomas C. Quick were the Corporate Chairmen. Rosanna Scotto, Co-Anchor for Fox News, was the Mistress of Ceremonies.

“The St. Nicholas Project carries on the tradition of...the third century Bishop of Myra, St. Nicholas.”

One of 90 volunteer Young Professionals, who shopped for needy families during the St. Nicholas Project Holiday Shopping Day.
“The company filled a truck...and delivered the furniture to the family’s new home just in time for Christmas.”

A divoced mother of five, Alice was barely scraping by when bedbugs attacked her home. The bed she rented was infested and she couldn’t return it. The bedbugs were everywhere and her seven-year-old son was allergic to their bites. She rushed him to the emergency room where bites that swelled into boils were lanced from his body. The bugs had the family trapped. Alice threw away nearly all they owned but still could not get rid of them. Her landlord would not cancel her lease until she paid for an exterminator. Finally, Alice turned to Catholic Charities caseworker Kimberly Youchah, who obtained funding for extermination so that the family could finally move. She arranged for a local business to adopt the family. The company filled a truck with beds and bureaus, tables and shelves and delivered the furniture to the family’s new home just in time for Christmas.

Provide emergency financial and in-kind assistance to more than 12,000 individuals.
Serve 98,400 meals in senior centers and 4,100 meals to the homebound elderly.
“The Committee is made up of business professionals who give back to the N.Y. community through the programs of Catholic Charities.”

Cardinal Egan and Thomas A. Renyi, Chairman of the Cardinal’s Committee for Charity

Reunite 650 children in foster care with their natural parents
Florence D’Urso and daughter Lisa D’Urso with Cardinal Egan at annual Thanksgiving food distribution.

“Each year, hundreds ... carry home a hearty Thanksgiving meal to their families.”

Edward Cardinal Egan
“Catholic Charities is grateful for the ongoing generosity of its volunteer leadership”

John J. Phalen, Jr.

Support and counsel 240 families helping elderly relatives

John Wren, recipient of the Gold Medal Award at the CYO Club of Champions Dinner. Ray Kelly and Cardinal Egan look on.
Provide summer camps for 3,000 youths

Catholic Charities is fortunate to have professional staff who "go the extra mile" as the norm.

"Rusty" Staub and Catholic Charities staff take a break from distributing hundreds of holiday meals in Harlem.
CATHOLIC CHARITIES
Fiscal Report

Condensed Financial Statement of Activities

The Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York provides direct community services in addition to coordinating and supporting a federation of affiliated agencies. This condensed financial statement reflects the fiscal activity related to these direct community services and the coordination and support of the federation of agencies. An overview of the fiscal information for the federation of Catholic Charities agencies is presented on the following page.

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Operating Results                                | 1,933       | 4,363       |

Non operating                                    |             |             |

World Trade Center Support Fund                  | (3,467)     | (2,840)     |
Gain on Sale of Property                         |             | 3,904       |
Loss From Discontinued Operations                 | (1,585)     | (670)       |

Increase (Decrease) in net assets               | ($6,985)    | ($3,969)    |
Net Assets, end of year                          | $38,798     | $45,783     |

1 This condensed financial statement reflects the combined audited financial statements of the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York and Affiliates, as follows:

- The Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York, which includes Catholic Charities World Trade Center Support Fund,
- Catholic Charities Communities Services of the Archdiocese of New York and Housing Fund of the Archdiocese of New York, Housing Development Institute and New York Institute for Human Development.
- Catholic Charities maintains 9/11 funds in a segregated, separately audited World Trade Center Support Fund.
- Expenses are overwhelmingly program related. Approximately 14% is spent on administration for Catholic Charities directly administered community services and an additional 4% is spent on fund raising.
- Certain amounts reported in 2004 have been reclassified to conform to management’s presentation of 2005.
- In March 2005, with the help of the New York State Office of Mental Health, the licenses for four mental health clinics were transferred back to New York State.
Scope of Services Provided by the Federation of Catholic Charities in the Archdiocese of New York
($506 million in services)

Some agencies offer programs in more than one category. The following provides an estimated breakdown by service area:

- **Foster Care and Prevention ($185):** Foster care and group homes for children and youth unable to live at home and preventive services for families with children at risk for placement in foster care.
- **Services to Children and Youth ($104):** Camps, sports programs to promote spiritual and social development, daycare for children and maternity and adoption services.
- **Special Needs ($97):** Residences for individuals with developmental disabilities, early intervention and educational services for children with disabilities and day services for adults with disabilities.
- **Multi-Service Community Based ($49):** An array of community based services designed to meet the multiple needs of individuals and families in different neighborhoods and communities.
- **Behavioral Health Services ($30):** Residential and outpatient services assisting children and adults suffering with short and long-term emotional and other behavioral health problems.
- **Residence & Housing and Other ($41):** Emergency, transitional and permanent housing for families, youth and seniors.

1 This financial information is drawn from multiple sources: IRS Form 990, audited financial statements and self reports.

Points to Note:
Administrative expenses are kept very low. On average Catholic Charities agencies of the Archdiocese of New York spends 89 cents of each dollar on program expenses.

Services are provided through dedicated staff. The majority of expenses are personnel costs associated with the delivery of services.

While many services are provided through government partnerships, substantial private philanthropy is necessary to sustain the extent and quality of services offered by Catholic Charities agencies.
Prevent eviction of more than 1,580 families through advocacy and rental assistance

FOUR YEARS AGO, Julie and Glen were a middle-class couple with a thriving restaurant business. But their experience since is worthy of Job: two stokes, breast cancer, two heart attacks, a brain-damaging fall, loss of the family business and their four-bedroom home. Now Julie struggles to express words or numbers and Glen has limited short-term memory. They say they have only one good brain between them. Struggling to pay mounting medical bills, the couple fell behind in their rent. Through Catholic Charities, their caseworker paid their rent, preventing their imminent eviction. She helped them apply for Social Security disability and heat assistance benefits. For Thanksgiving, she brought them a turkey dinner. They’ve gotten help and hope to match their own courage to go on.

In any given year, neighbors like Julie and Glen are among the thousands of New Yorkers Catholic Charities helps—promptly, locally, with dignity—and as you would want to be helped if your family were in need.
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