



Your Support Saves Lives

Impact Report | Summer 2025



Providing Help. Creating Hope.

Dear Neighbors,

At Catholic Charities of New York, we believe every child deserves the opportunity to grow into a confident, capable adult. Children are the future, and it is our mission to ensure that all young people have access to the tools, support, and opportunities they need to thrive—both now and in the years to come.

Through our comprehensive network of services, we address the physical, emotional, and psychological needs of children and families in our community.

From after-school programs in Manhattan and The Bronx that engage youth in academics, arts, and sports, to dropout prevention initiatives that keep students on track for high school graduation and beyond, we are there for children at every stage of their journey.

We provide a safe and nurturing environment where youth can develop essential life skills, build lasting friendships, and gain the confidence they need to pursue their dreams.

Our commitment extends beyond the classroom. Through youth sports and recreational programs, we empower young people to make positive choices, fostering a sense of teamwork, responsibility, and discipline. We are also dedicated to supporting immigrant families, offering culturally relevant services that help children overcome barriers and achieve success in their communities.

This report highlights just a fraction of the impactful work we are doing in service to the children and youth who need us most.



Together, we are helping shape a brighter future, one child at a time. We are deeply grateful for the ongoing support of our donors. Your generosity makes it possible for us to continue this important work, ensuring that the children and families we serve have the resources they need to succeed.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Kevin Sullivan".

Monsignor Kevin Sullivan
Executive Director



Your Generosity in Action

Our network of support services is designed to address the physical, emotional, and psychological needs of at-risk children and their families.

Because of you:



99,000+

children and youth
provided care.



39,000+

enrolled in sports
and camp programs.



17,000+

enrolled in dropout
prevention programs.



12,000+

enrolled in
counseling services.

Creating Safe Spaces and Future Leaders: The Impact of the Hoop Haven Program

Since 2015, the Hoop Haven program has provided a safe haven for at-risk youth through basketball, mentorship, and academic support. Serving over 100 students in Harlem, it offers free sports programming, peer-based mentorship, and access to workforce development resources. The program's holistic model helps participants thrive in every aspect of life, from education to career readiness—while also building stronger communities.



Hoop Haven is more than just a sports program—it's a powerful force for youth development and community resilience. Run through the Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. Community Center in Harlem, the program supports over 100 middle and high school students, with 30 receiving individualized case management. Through weekly after-school sessions and weekend clinics, youth actively engage in basketball, mentorship, tutoring, and personal growth activities in a safe, supportive environment.

A hallmark of the program is its peer-based mentorship model, where older, more experienced

students support younger participants. This nurtures leadership in older students and fosters a sustainable, community-oriented culture. Many of these mentors are enrolled in city-funded programs like the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP) and the Learning to Work (LTW) program and assist as part of their internships.

"This program is much more than basketball. It's a lifeline. Without Hoop Haven, many of these young people might not have the academic, nutritional, and workforce support they need," explains Hoop Haven's Program Director.

Students not only improve athletic skills, but also prepare for the SAT, receive help with GED prep, explore job options, and gain access to nutritious meals and emotional support.

Special enrichment experiences—such as trips to the Basketball Hall of Fame and African American Museum—expand horizons for youth, many of whom have never left New York City.

By combining sports with wraparound services and positive role models, Hoop Haven empowers youth to succeed today and inspires hope for tomorrow.

16th Annual Catholic Charities Gala: Honoring the Heart of Our Community

Nearly 800 supporters joined His Eminence, Timothy Michael Cardinal Dolan and all of us at Catholic Charities to celebrate the 16th Annual Catholic Charities Gala at the American Museum of Natural History. It was a memorable evening of joy and generosity, raising a record-breaking \$3.7 million in support of our work.

The emcee for the evening was award winning NBC 4 New York Consumer Reporter, Lynda Baquero. To add a touch of enchantment, Loren Allred—renowned for her powerful vocals in “Never Enough” from *The Greatest Showman*—delivered a spellbinding musical performance. Her powerful voice and magnetic presence deeply moved everyone in attendance.

Cardinal Dolan and Monsignor Kevin Sullivan had the great privilege of honoring three exceptional individuals: Marcos A. Rodriguez, Chairman and CEO of Palladium Equity Partners, LLC, and Susan L. Camerata and Michael T. Rooney, Sr., both of RDC Development, LLC. The honorees received the Deus Caritas Est award, which means “God is Love,” in recognition and appreciation of their efforts providing help and creating hope for New Yorkers in need.

The evening also paid special tribute to Monsignor Kevin Sullivan, who will be departing later this year from his role as our Executive Director. Since 2001, he has led Catholic Charities through numerous pivotal initiatives—such as leading the city's human service

response to the 9/11 terrorist attacks, rebuilding homes and restoring lives in the aftermath of Superstorm Sandy, spearheading a five-year, \$100 million fundraising campaign in celebration of Catholic Charities' Centennial, leading the organization's response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and so much more. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Monsignor Kevin Sullivan for his dedicated service and leadership.

Thanks to the generous support of our honorees, trustees, sponsors, and supporters, the 16th Annual Gala was a remarkable success and will provide critical support for our programs serving our vulnerable New York neighbors in need.





Catholic Charities Rings Opening Bell at the New York Stock Exchange

Catholic Charities of New York and Lynn Martin, President of NYSE Group, hosted a special breakfast on June 13th, featuring a fireside chat with special guest Mike Pyle, Deputy Head of the Portfolio Management Group at BlackRock and Maria Morris, Vice Chair of Catholic Charities Board and retired EVP of MetLife, Inc. The morning also included the honor of ringing the Opening Bell on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

New York business leaders and supporters who gathered to celebrate our mission of providing help and creating hope for New York's most

vulnerable and to re-launch the Cardinal's Committee for Charity.

Special thanks to Catholic Charities trustees, Brian Ruane, Executive Committee Member at BNY, and John Mahoney, Managing Director, Global Banking and Markets at Goldman Sachs who co-chaired the event and to the Cardinal's Committee for Charity co-chairs, Jeff Sanders, Daniel Dunay, Marco Achón and Liz Velez, who served on the Host Committee.

Cardinal Dolan delivered a powerful reflection on the biblical theme of investment. "God gives us gifts and talents and resources," Cardinal Dolan said. "He gives us energy, time,

heart, and soul—and God wants us to invest. He wants us to invest those resources so we can give back to Him and to His people." Monsignor Kevin Sullivan emphasized the vital role of between Catholic Charities and the private sector in support of our fellow New Yorkers in need. "Catholic Charities continues to affirm our work to build bridges of healing and to defend the poor. We are committed to reinforcing and expanding our partnerships with the business community and acknowledge the central role business leaders and corporations play in building a society that provides solid, fair and just security."

Cardinal's Committee for Charity: Strengthening Our Second Century

The Cardinal's Committee for Charity is a distinguished group of business and civic leaders committed to supporting Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York's Second Century Fund Initiatives which includes the provision of food, affordable housing, mental health and more for New York's most vulnerable individuals and families.



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Cardinal's Committee for Charity Annual Recognition Events

As a valued member of the Cardinal's Committee for Charity, you will have the unique opportunity to attend exclusive events in recognition of your generosity and steadfast support.

Wall Street Breakfast & Opening Bell Ceremony

An opportunity to join Cardinal Dolan at the Annual Wall Street Breakfast at the NYSE.

Annual Briefing

Access to an exclusive annual briefing with the Catholic Charities Executive Director.

Mass & Reception at St. Patrick's Cathedral

An invitation to our Annual Mass at St. Patrick's Cathedral and a special reception.

Program Visits

Regular site visits to observe Catholic Charities programs alongside Program Directors.

Join Today

We welcome supporters to join the Cardinal's Committee for Charity. For more information and to join, please contact Sheila Lennon at Sheila.Lennon@CatholicCharitiesNY.org.



Leave a Legacy of Help and Hope

Your legacy commitment helps us to continue our lifesaving work and carry out our mission of providing help and creating hope.

A planned gift is a wonderful way to support Catholic Charities while accommodating your own personal, financial, estate-planning, and philanthropic goals. With smart planning, you may actually increase the size of your estate and/or reduce the tax burden on your heirs. For more information, please visit: [CatholicCharitiesNY.GiftPlans.org](https://www.CatholicCharitiesNY.org/GiftPlans.org)



More Ways to Support Our Mission

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Your tax-deductible gift will enable us to continue to deliver programs and critical services to New Yorkers in need. Please visit: [CatholicCharitiesNY.org/Donate](https://www.CatholicCharitiesNY.org/Donate)

Charitable Gift Annuity

A charitable annuity is a simple agreement between you and Catholic Charities. In exchange for your gift of cash, stock, or mutual funds, Catholic Charities will pay you (and, if desired, another beneficiary) a fixed income for life. After your lifetime(s), proceeds remaining from your gift support our lifesaving work. For more information, please visit: [CatholicCharitiesNY.org/CGA](https://www.CatholicCharitiesNY.org/CGA)

Donor Advised Funds

A donor-advised fund (DAF) is a philanthropic giving vehicle like a charitable savings account. It provides an immediate tax benefit to you and allows you to easily support Catholic Charities. You can make a grant to Catholic Charities through our DAF Direct portal by visiting: [CatholicCharitiesNY.org/DAF](https://www.CatholicCharitiesNY.org/DAF)

Estate Planning with FreeWill and MyCatholicWill

Having an estate plan in place is a powerful way to protect the people you love, safeguard your assets, and create a legacy that sustains the causes you believe in. Visit: [CatholicCharitiesNY.org/FreeWill](https://www.CatholicCharitiesNY.org/FreeWill) or [CatholicCharitiesNY.org/MyCatholicWill](https://www.CatholicCharitiesNY.org/MyCatholicWill)

Gifts of Stocks and Securities

You can easily donate appreciated stocks, bonds, or mutual funds and support the lifesaving work of Catholic Charities. The total value of the stock upon transfer is tax-deductible and there is no obligation to pay any capital gains taxes on the appreciation. To learn more, please visit: [CatholicCharitiesNY.org/Securities](https://www.CatholicCharitiesNY.org/Securities)

IRA Qualified Charitable Distributions

If you're 70½ or older, you can donate up to \$100,000 per tax year directly from an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) to Catholic Charities without reporting the withdrawal as taxable income. To calculate your required minimum distribution (RMD) and make a tax-free gift to Catholic Charities, please visit: [CatholicCharitiesNY.org/IRA](https://www.CatholicCharitiesNY.org/IRA)

Other Ways to Give


From rewards programs to donating real estate and vehicles, discover the many ways you can support our lifesaving work: [CatholicCharitiesNY.org/WaysToGive](https://www.CatholicCharitiesNY.org/WaysToGive)

Questions?

If you have any questions, please reach out to Emily Chau in our Planned Giving Office by phone at **646-794-2018** or Emily.Chau@CatholicCharitiesNY.org by email.

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