

Leadership Giving

Each day the doors of Catholic Charities are flooded with those seeking assistance. The Leadership Giving opportunities listed below will allow us to plan accordingly and effectively meet the needs of those seeking assistance. Will you help us?



- **First Fruits**
Annual gift of \$1,200 – \$4,999
- **Table of Plenty**
Annual gift of \$5,000 – or more
- **Salt of the Earth**
Including Catholic Charities in your estate plans

TO LEARN MORE about our Leadership Giving opportunities, contact Meg Gatchell at 913.433.2035 or mgatchell@catholiccharitiesks.org.

Salt of the Earth | ENSURING THE FUTURE FOR CATHOLIC CHARITIES

SALT of the EARTH
Our Legacy Family

poverty of mind, body and spirit, find the open door of Catholic Charities in our communities and are met with help, hospitality and hope. These individuals have included Catholic Charities in their estate plans, whether by naming Catholic Charities as the beneficiary of a will or trust, charitable gift annuity or charitable remainder trust.

“You are the salt of the earth...
You are the light of the world...”
- Matthew 5:13-14

TO LEARN MORE about how you can become a Salt of the Earth member, or for questions, please contact Meg Gatchell at 913.433.2035 or mgatchell@catholiccharitiesks.org.

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Pictured Above: Charlie and Jeanne Haake, 2014 Snow Ball Presidents; Most Reverend Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann, D.D., Rita and Lamar Hunt, Jr., 2014 Honorary Snow Ball Presidents

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 12, 2014: Help us drive out hunger by joining us at the 33RD ANNUAL BEN AND BETTY ZARDA FAMILY GOLF CLASSIC on Monday, May 12, at Lake Quivira Country Club. Proceeds from this year’s tournament will go toward supporting Catholic Charities’ Centralized Food Distribution Center. For more information or to register, please visit www.catholiccharitiesgolfclassic.org or contact us at 913.433.2046.

June 5, 2014: Join us for a round of golf to raise funds for school supplies for families in need in the Leavenworth community at the 23rd Annual LEAVENWORTH GOLF TOURNAMENT. Teams will enjoy 18 holes, cart rental, dinner, drinks and awards ceremony. To register, contact us at leavenworthgolf@catholiccharitiesks.org or 913.433.2046.

SERVING 21 COUNTIES IN NORTHEAST KANSAS
THROUGH THESE SITE LOCATIONS

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SPECIAL EVENTS COVERAGE |

find videos and photos from our special events, online: www.catholiccharitiesks.org.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY HOSPICE has provided faith-based, nonprofit hospice care to families since 1998 and continues to serve the needs of individuals and families with guidance, love and compassion across nine counties in Kansas and Missouri. The program provides loving comfort, care and support for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of patients and families during life’s most difficult times.

If you or a loved one is facing a life-limiting illness, Catholic Community Hospice can help - call us at 913.621.5090 today. In doing so, you and your loved one will not walk that difficult journey alone.

THE 29TH ANNUAL VIVIANO VARIETY BENEFIT SHOW on Saturday, November 23, 2013 was a fun and exciting night!

An outstanding \$55,000 was raised this year to support Catholic Charities’ programming and help our neighbors in need.

Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to the entire Viviano Family for all of the time and energy graciously given to make this outstanding show such a tremendous success.

40th Annual Snow Ball a Historic Success

CELEBRATING 40 YEARS OF COMMUNITY, FAMILY, FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE

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Through the generosity of our donors, guests and the community at-large, the 40th Annual Snow Ball raised a record breaking \$2,000,000 this past January. The success of this special anniversary event is already having an immediate impact on the many programs and services offered by Catholic Charities. “We are overwhelmed with the outpouring of support from the community. The incredible amount of funds raised this year will enable us to help so many in need.” says Kerry Gentry, Director of Development.

This year’s Snow Ball was held on January 17 at the Sheraton Crown Center with more than 1,770 guests in attendance. Charlie and Jeanne Haake served as Snow Ball Presidents, and Lamar and Rita Hunt, Jr. served as Honorary Presidents. More than 200 committee members and volunteers spent countless hours over the past year advocating and fundraising for support of people that they may never meet. “We are so touched by the compassion, generosity and hard work of so many,” said Charlie and Jeanne Haake, 2014 Snow Ball Presidents. “People are very committed to living the Gospel by providing support to those right here in our community who need help so

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badly. The Holy Spirit was clearly at work and answered the prayers so many people offered.”

What began 40 years ago as a pot luck dinner has grown into an elegant evening of dinner, dancing, fellowship, friendship, families and memories. Snow Ball provides significant financial funds to Catholic Charities, helping to support the programs that stabilize, strengthen and sustain the thousands of individuals who are served each month at our eight different service locations, as well as by two Resource Buses.

“There is probably no greater call placed upon our lives than to help those who are struggling with the basics in life such as nutritious food, proper shelter, or decent clothing,” said Lamar and Rita Hunt, Jr. about their experience as Honorary Presidents, “We have to step out of our comfortable lives and encounter those who find themselves in such a position. Behind those faces are real human beings who have dreams just like you and me. They want peace in their lives and some stability for their families. Serving at Catholic Charities has pointed us to the supernatural, that God is working in our lives. We have become more vulnerable and open to others, and that is life changing.”

SEE MORE PHOTOS!

Scan this QR code or visit www.catholiccharitiesnowball.org to view more Snow Ball photos.

3 EASY WAYS TO HELP ALL YEAR

1.

Help us keep our Emergency Assistance Centers’ shelves stocked by donating these most needed items:

Non-Perishable Food: Canned Fruits & Vegetables, Peanut Butter, Cereal, Rice, Soups, Pasta, Sauces **Toiletries:** Shampoo, Soap, Toothpaste, Toilet Paper, Deodorant, Diapers, Laundry Detergent

2.

Shop and donate at TurnStyles Thrift Store. Not only do our stores save shoppers money, but they generate revenue to support our programs.

***NEW EXTENDED DONATION HOURS**
Monday - Saturday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Overland Park Store: 9750 West 87th Overland Park, KS 66212 **Olathe Store:** 1703 Mur-len Olathe, KS 66062

3.

Volunteer! Our ability to support those in need throughout our community is only made possible through the hard work and dedication of our volunteers.

Contact Michelle Carlstedt at 913.433.2080 or mcarlstedt@catholiccharitiesks.org to find the perfect volunteer opportunity for you.

A NEWSLETTER FROM CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF NORTHEAST KANSAS



Hospice Becomes a “We Honor Veterans” Partner | CONNECTING VETERAN VOLUNTEERS & CLIENTS

02 Catholic Community Hospice is proud to announce the development of a new Vet-to-Vet Program as part of our *We Honor Veterans* initiative, in partnership with the U.S. Veterans Association.

The Vet-to-Vet Volunteer Program will pair recruited Veteran Volunteers with hospice patients who have also been identified as Veterans. Veteran Volunteers have a unique ability to relate and connect with Veteran patients and their families thereby creating an environment where life review and healing occur.

“The Veteran Volunteer can assist Veterans in reminiscing and telling life stories,” explains Bonnie Krause, Hospice Volunteer Coordinator, “Veterans are a part of a distinct culture with their own common language and experience. When Veterans interact, their common language and experience can form a strong relational bond. The camaraderie between Veterans has proven to be supportive for all involved.”

FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you are a Veteran and are interested in this program or know someone who might be interested, please contact Bonnie Krause at 913.433.2020 or bkrause@catholiccharitiesks.org.



Community Support Makes Grand Opening a Success | ATCHISON EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE CENTER

04 When neighbors are in need, Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas comes calling. That was the case in Atchison, Kansas, where Emergency Assistance case managers providing services on the Resource Bus noticed a high volume of clients in need of help.

With the help of a generous patron and several grants, Catholic Charities has been able to open a permanent Emergency Assistance Center in the community where utility, rent and prescription assistance is provided.

“The community has been very welcoming,” says Mary Ann Leach, Emergency

Friendly Visitors Program Expands into Johnson County | PROVIDING FREE SUPPORT SERVICES FOR SENIORS

03 The Friendly Visitors program benefiting seniors is now available in Johnson County. Friendly Visitors pairs compassionate volunteers with seniors who need friendly people to visit, call or lend a hand. The program is provided at no cost for seniors ages 60 and older, many times enabling participants to continue living independently or give needed support to full-time caretakers.

The program is looking for volunteers who enjoy being around people and want to make a difference in the life of seniors. Scheduling is flexible, and the time commitment is approximately one or two hours per week.

Some of the ways our volunteers help include:

- **Social Telephone Calls**
Calls made once or twice per week for socialization purposes
- **Local Transportation**
Take participants to medical appointments, grocery store, etc.
- **Social Home Visits**
One-hour visits once per week to play cards, chat and more
- **“Ring-A-Day” Calls**
Daily safety check calls and reminders to take medications

FOR MORE INFORMATION

To learn more about becoming a participant or volunteer for the Friendly Visitors program, contact Betsy Holzworth, Program Coordinator, at 913.433.2015 or bholzworth@catholiccharitiesks.org.



Assistance Case Manager in Atchison, “I have been able to connect and partner with a lot of other agencies in Atchison, and we have developed a good referral base. I have also received several donations from the area parishes as well as individuals wanting to help.”

Support for the new Emergency Assistance Center in Atchison came from Mike Kuckelman, who donated the office space, and grants from the Evah Cray Trust (UMB Bank) for \$7,500; Atchison Area United Way for \$3,500 and the Adair-Exchange Bank Foundation for \$1,000.

“Ofentimes, successful grants beget more successful grants which allow Catholic Charities to make a deeper investment in the community and have a more profound impact on clients in need,” says Kirsten Flanagan, Grants Manager, Institutional Funding for Catholic Charities.

While the Atchison community now has permanent emergency assistance services, other northeast Kansas communities are benefiting from a second Emergency Resource Bus.

Both of Catholic Charities’ Emergency Resource Buses are equipped with computer work stations, food, utility and other assistance resources. Case managers help clients in mostly rural communities receive access to resources that normally wouldn’t be available to them.

AID IN ATCHISON

The Atchison office is currently open on Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Appointments can be scheduled in advance by calling 913.367.5070.

Spreading the Word - Spreading Resources | THE STORY OF ONE FAMILY’S JOURNEY TO SAFETY & SECURITY

05 In a simple tent in the cold of the woods, two people huddled for warmth: Karla* - a single mother raising her child the best that she could and Mike* - her fourteen year old son, full of life and promise. The tent was small and inadequate, but it was all that they had. Yet even that meager shelter would not last. As hunting season began, they were forced to flee for safety’s sake.

Good-hearted people tried to help them. They cleaned out a shed in a local park and made it into a refuge for



this small family. But the shed lacked water and electricity, and the city could not allow them to stay there. It was Mike’s first year at a new high school. As people from school and the community got to know him, several were eager to help and offered him a temporary home. Mike selflessly refused to leave his mother and would not seek safety that did not include her as well.

Luckily fate intervened. The nurse at Mike’s school had heard about the Catholic Charities Resource Bus. She contacted a case worker and put the family in touch with Catholic Charities.

With the support of the school and Catholic Charities, the case worker was able to arrange direct financial assistance for Karla and Mike. That assistance, which eased the burden of rent and deposits, made it possible to move the family into an apartment, safe from the cold of winter.

This is just one family’s story of the hundreds who

have already benefited from Catholic Charities and the Resource Bus. Help us continue to spread the word and grow this critical community program so that we may continue to serve more families in need across the 21 counties of Northeast Kansas. *Names have been changed.

HOW TO HELP

Refer our services. The Resource Bus currently provides services in Anderson, Brown, Coffey, Doniphan, Franklin, Jackson, Jefferson, Linn, Marshall, Miami, Nemaha, Osage, Pottawatomie and Wabaunsee Counties. Appointments can be made by calling 913.782.4077.

Make a donation. Help us keep Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas’ programs growing by making a donation at www.catholiccharitiesks.org/donate or by calling 913.433.2100.



EXPENSES		
FAMILY STABILIZATION	\$6,239,299	
Welcoming our neighbors and strangers in need by offering them the most basic needs such as food, clothing and shelter		
FAMILY STRENGTHENING	\$3,203,212	
Putting love into action by strengthening family relationships and surrounding our precious children with love and care		
HEALTHCARE	\$4,448,351	
Animating the Gospel of Jesus Christ by delivering comfort and support to address the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the sick and dying		
ADMINISTRATIVE AND FUNDRAISING	\$1,918,546	
	\$15,809,408	
REVENUE		
Catholic Charities Foundation of Northeast Kansas Grant	\$1,311,999	
Contributions, Grants, Other	\$6,108,508	
Fees for Services	\$6,491,181	
United Way	\$798,031	
Christmas Collection	\$521,735	
Call to Share	\$420,000	
TurnStyles (net of expenses)	\$350,348	
	\$16,001,802	

Copies of audited financials are available upon request

RECENT GRANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

KANSAS HEALTH FOUNDATION
AMOUNT: \$21,417
FOR: Wyandotte County Health Care Coordinator

Funds will be used to support clients in overcoming health barriers through individual advocacy, care coordination, leveraging of community partnerships and medical financial assistance including prescriptions, eye glasses, dental care, hospital bills and medical supplies.

COLLECTIVE BRANDS FOUNDATION
AMOUNT: \$10,000
FOR: Emergency Assistance Program

Funds will be used to provide vital support to the agency’s programming, including expansion of Emergency Assistance services into Atchison, Emporia and Topeka.

JEWISH HERITAGE FOUNDATION
AMOUNT: \$10,000
FOR: Friendly Visitors, Foster Grandparents and In-Home Support

Funds will be used to provide support to our older adult programs. These programs provide civic engagement opportunities, elder community engagement opportunities and aging-in-place services that help keep clients independent, in their own homes and engaged in the community around them.

THE WESTERMAN FOUNDATION
AMOUNT: \$7,500
FOR: New Roots for Refugees

Funds will be used to support refugee farmers with supply costs, transportation to market, market entry fees and education classes while establishing their own small farm business growing and selling vegetables.