St. Vincent de Paul Society-Annual Report for 2016-17
(Fiscal year October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017)

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Diocese of Cleveland, is a local human service and welfare organization of neighborhood volunteer groups residing in participating parishes (“Conferences”) throughout the Diocese’s eight-county service area. Volunteers (“Vincentians”) provide immediate, temporary emergency assistance to those in need, regardless of their race, ethnicity or religious affiliation. Visits to the sick and elderly are also done on a regular basis. The SVDP has a Central Office within the Diocese of Cleveland which coordinates the local parish groups (Conferences) and hunger centers in the Diocese. In most cases, these groups make visits to homes before providing assistance.

In 2016-17, it is estimated that the 64 St. Vincent de Paul Society groups in northeast Ohio helped in the following ways:

**Conferences (Parish Groups)**
- People assisted: 104,320
- Visits to People in Need: 21,360
- Spent for food and emergency help: $2,133,407
- Spent on disaster relief, special works & other parishes: $96,985
- Value of donated goods & services: $2,378,677

**Hunger Centers (7 in Cleveland and 1 in Akron)**
- People Assisted: 207,383
- Pounds of Food Distributed: 1,722,461
- Spent on Food & Other Services: $189,094
- Value of donated food, clothing, furniture, etc.: $603,455

**Main Office (Diocesan Council)**
- Grants to Parish Conferences: $20,000
- Value of Blanket Sunday Collection: $86,869
- Spent on Other Assistance*: $10,773

*Includes disaster relief, back-to-school items, books for Seeds to Read, incarcerated ministry and other assistance

The 64 Conferences and 1172 volunteers (Vincentians) in eight counties of northeast Ohio: Cuyahoga, Lake, Geauga, Summit, Lorain, Medina, Ashland and Wayne. SVDP members spent approximately 122,249 hours in this ministry and service worth more than an estimated $2,810,505. The eight hunger centers had about 1,030 volunteers who spent 54,504 hours helping people worth an estimated $1,253,047 for a total value of $4,063,552 for volunteer help.

The total value of SVDP assistance to 311,703 individuals was approximately $5,412,391 plus the $4,063,552 in volunteer service for a grand total of $9,475,943 worth of assistance.

Management expenses are very low because our programs are run primarily by volunteers. The expenses of the Diocesan Council are less than 5% of the total financial figures of the SVDP Volunteer Network and the work of the 64 Conferences and the eight hunger centers listed above. The purpose of the Diocesan Council is to support and supplement the work of the SVDP volunteer network and its five District Councils.

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