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Annual Report

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From the Board President.....

Catholic Charities of Colorado Springs continues to make great strides every year and this year was no exception.

The Capital Campaign for the New Marian House, "A Bridge to New Beginnings" was launched in early September, 2005. The first group to be solicited was the staff and Board of Directors. By Christmas, we had 100% participation from the board. Both the Church and Greater Colorado Springs divisions have been extremely successful and the efforts in these areas continue. By the end of the Fiscal Year, we had received almost \$2 million in pledges and were well on our way to meeting the total goal of \$5.8 million.

Catholic Charities four programs continue to grow and serve those in need in our community in an effective, efficient and caring manner.

The Emergency & Transitions Department combines all emergency services of Catholic Charities and encourages clients towards self-sufficiency. It is comprised of Marian House Client Services, which offers case management, information and referrals, emergency and hygiene services. Marian House Community Outreach serves people in need throughout our 10 county Diocesan area who cannot access services at our location or other provider sites; the Life Support Center provides emergency basic needs to families with children and recently celebrated 30 years of service; the HUD funded Agency Connections Bus transports clients who are homeless to locations throughout the city where they can access services; and the Medical Outreach Van, a collaboration with Peak Vista, provides medical services via a mobile delivery system.

The Family Literacy Project provides English as a Second Language classes to those in our community who want to enhance their efficiency using the English language. This year, day classes were added to our already popular night class schedule. Educational childcare is provided to the children of the students taking classes.

Life Connections expanded its services this year, building the International component of the adoption services. A weekly pre-natal nurturing class was also added. This department continues to remain busy facilitating adoptions, providing pregnancy counseling services and offering Project Rachel and other post abortion services.

The Marian House Soup Kitchen continues to serve an average of 400 – 450 people a hot, nutritious meal 365 days a year. This year, 149,042 people were served a total of 179,450 meals. This includes almost 5,000 children.

Our organization continues to receive accolades for delivering needed services while keeping administrative costs low. This year, administrative costs were reduced from ten cents to seven cents on the dollar, resulting in ninety-three cents of every dollar donated goes directly to providing services.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, thank you for your continued support of Catholic Charities. Without your support and donations, we would not be able to provide services to those in need in our community.

Susan Foerster

2005/06 Programs



A Bridge to New Beginnings: A Capital Campaign for The New Marian House

The Capital Campaign for the New Marian House officially kicked-off in September, 2005. By early January, 100% participation from the Board of Directors was reached and by the end of the Fiscal Year in June, the campaign had pledges of almost \$2 million.

In June, a press conference was held to officially announce the campaign to the public and a steering committee made up of Catholic Charities Board, staff and leaders in the community was introduced as the team who would move the campaign forward.

The goal of the campaign is to raise \$5.8 to build a new dining hall and commercial grade kitchen facility. Once the new facility is built and operations transferred, the current facility will be remodeled to accommodate expanded services, including SET clinic, case management, office space for other human service agencies who will provide services on site.

Emergency & Transition Services



Emergency & Transition Services consists of a number of programs which continue to provide a wide range of services throughout the community.

The Life Support Center celebrated 30 years of providing emergency assistance to needy families with small children. Some of the services provided are the distribution of diapers, baby food and formula, clothing, car seats, toys and other basic necessities. For the 12th year, this group distributed Christmas gifts to parents as a way to continue to strengthen family relationships.

Marian House Community Outreach reaches out to people in our community who cannot access services at our facility or with other human service providers. They deliver food, household items, including appliances and furniture, clothing and on site case management services to people in need.

Marian House Client Services provides case management on site and provides services such as showers and haircuts, clothing closet, help with getting ID's and birth certificates, etc.

The Agency Connections Bus provides transportation for people who are homeless to other service providers in our city.



Family Literacy Project

The Family Literacy Project provides English as a Second Language classes to help clients gain language skills that will raise them from vulnerability and poverty. Volunteer teachers play an essential role in building bridges of friendship between cultures and welcoming the "stranger" among us. In the past year, 200 adults participated in classes that taught skills for communicating at work, making medical appointments, handling emergencies, and other practical topics that are immediately relatable to the daily lives of adults and parents. Participants come from Central and South America, Poland, China and Korea. All strive to study and learn the language of their adopted country so they can become successful participants in the community. Childcare is provided so that parents can attend classes and achieve their goals.

Life Connections



Life Connections is a licensed, non profit childplacement agency with over 30 years experience in foster care and adoption. We are accredited by the Council on Accreditation and last year provided over 1,102 hours of counseling to 113 clients. Ten babies received 32,256 hours of foster care while waiting for their adoptions to finalize in court. Fifteen families were certified, or in the process of becoming certified as Family Foster homes, including two cradle care homes.



Marian House Soup Kitchen

The Marian House Soup Kitchen serves a hot, nutritious meal everyday, 365 days a year. An average of 400 - 450 guests are served each day with the help of 25 - 30 volunteers. The kitchen simply could not operate without the dedicated staff and volunteers who work miracles everyday. This past year we served 170,450 meals to 149,042 people.

The facility is known throughout the city as a place where anyone can have their hunger fed: hunger for food, acceptance, and love. The volunteers and staff are family to the many guests who come everyday.

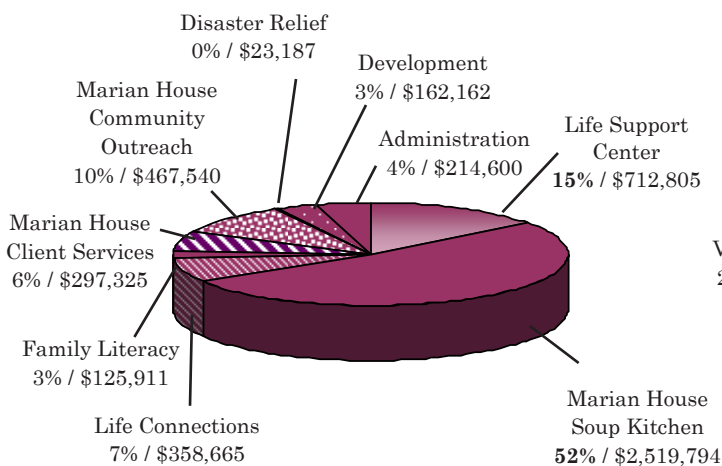
Financial Statement

As of Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2006

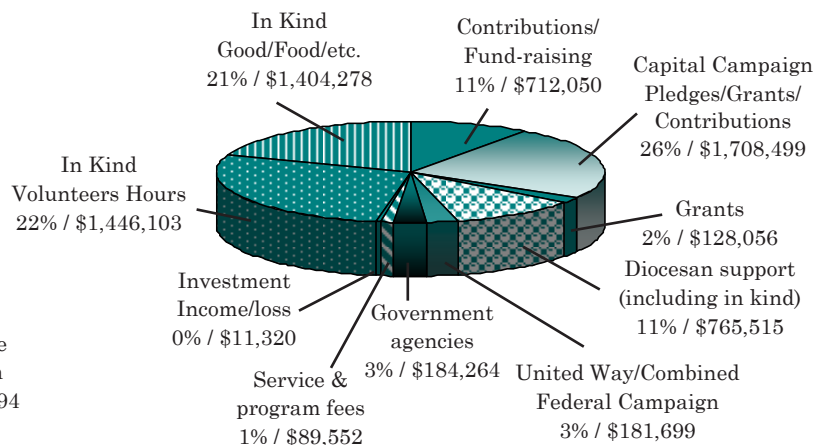
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	Year End June 30, 2006	Year End June 30, 2005
Assets		
♦ Cash - Checking/Money Market	\$75,350	\$89,077
♦ Cash - Investments	\$189,792	\$231,414
♦ Cash - Held for others	\$69	\$949
♦ Cash - Capital Campaign	\$295,979	\$0
♦ Net Assets in Catholic Foundation	\$26,619	\$25,506
♦ Receivables, Net	\$88,154	\$103,668
♦ Capital Campaign Pledges Receivable	\$1,412,520	
♦ Prepaid Expenses	\$4,575	\$3,135
♦ Property and Equipment	\$497,779	\$365,037
TOTAL ASSETS	\$2,590,837	\$818,786
Liabilities		
♦ Accounts Payable	\$25,019	\$20,588
♦ Employee Benefits Payable	\$32,231	\$13,079
♦ Funds Held for Others	\$69	\$949
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$57,319	\$34,616
Net Assets		
♦ Unrestricted Net Assets	\$719,893	\$694,257
♦ Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	\$1,787,006	\$67,791
♦ Permanently Restricted Net Assets	\$26,619	\$22,122
TOTAL NET ASSETS	\$2,533,518	\$784,170
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$2,590,837	\$818,786

Total Expenses: \$4,881,989



Total Income: \$6,631,336*
(Includes pledges for the Capital Campaign)



*\$1,708,499 was received in cash or pledges for A Bridge to New Beginnings: A Capital Campaign for the New Marian House. This income will be used only for designated purposes.



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Our Clients Thank you for your Generosity

My name is Carmen. I am a single mother of 6 children. When I lived with my husband, everything was different because we both worked hard to provide for our children. But because of problems, we separated. Now I have to be a mother and a father on just the money I make, which is not enough to pay rent, so I lost the house. I am not able to buy my children clothes, so I put them on layaway and pay a little at a time, but thanks to Catholic Charities giving me \$100, I was able to pay for them. I felt so happy to see my children filled with happiness when they got their clothes. Thank you because people like you exist. I am very thankful that you helped me and may God watch over you and give you many blessings

A Life Support Center client

Thank you for the countless ways you have helped and cared for my daughter this past year. She has been blessed by your guidance and your friendship, for which we are very thankful.

A Life Connections client

I personally want to thank you for the generosity you extended to my fellow employees and me in providing the warm work clothes. Being construction workers who are mainly outside, it certainly will make a difference in our work performance during these cold months.

A Marian House Outreach client

Thank you for giving me and my wife the opportunity to learn English. The problem with not speaking English is that we can't understand what people say. Sometimes I bought something I don't need because I didn't understand. I don't want my daughter to have to translate for me when I go to the doctor. We like our teacher because she trust us and we work together with the other students. The most important thing is that we living in this country and we got to speak English. Thank you for your help.

A Family Literacy Project client

Thank you for allowing me to volunteer at the Marian House to fulfill my Community Service for my high school Civics Class. I was sincerely inspired by your staff and team of volunteers helping those in need in our community. What you do everyday for hundreds of people in our community is amazing. Some of the children I saw in the Family Dining Room wouldn't have anything to eat if it weren't for the Marian House. Every minute spent working there, I learned more about what I take for granted in my life. I am glad you are expanding your facility because it will help so many in need in our community. God bless you.

A volunteer at the Marian House Soup Kitchen