

### From our Agency Director

While pushing forward during the pandemic, Catholic Charities began to see its community return to a new normal life this fiscal year. Our determination over the last fiscal year brought about innovation and new, creative ways for us to serve our community. As a people, we learned just how important the sight of a smile was to our soul. This meant our words and actions were more important now than ever before. I am grateful for our staff, volunteers and community partners who helped Ryves Youth Center, Bethany House Emergency Shelter, the Christmas Store and Foodbank continue to operate under challenging conditions. Your servant hearts were the restorative smile to the souls of those facing great challenges in our area. We are blessed to have you with us.

In 2022, deemed the Year of the Family by Pope Francis, we are reminded of the importance of sharing joy and love to those around us. Romans 12:10 tells us, "Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves."

The work accomplished this year was made possible by our devoted supporters who answered the call to set aside their own

lives to help brothers and sisters in our community who needed us most.

John C Etting

3.9 million pounds of food distributed by THCC Foodbank
43 individuals found a safe haven at Bethany House Emergency Shelter
8,196 people received items from the Clothing Closet
478 families built memories with help from the Christmas Store
483 children participated in programming at Ryves Youth Center

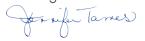
## From Our Assistant Agency Director

In 1973, Catholic Charities in Terre Haute was established as a ministry of the Archdiocese of Indianapolis to help people in our community by providing a variety of services. The primary mission of the Agency was to serve the poor, the homeless, the elderly, the neglected children and the needy.

Much has changed over the last nearly 50 years. We no longer refer to our neighbors as poor, homeless, elderly, neglected and needy. Instead, our mission speaks to providing help and creating hope by nourishing the minds, bodies and spirits of children, families, adults and seniors. We recognize that many of our neighbors have experienced a crisis which resulted in them temporarily needing to seek assistance and we are glad to be here to help.

As we gear up for celebrating 50 years of creating hope in 2023, we are asking for your help. Please share your stories of how Catholic Charities has impacted your life, your memories of how you learned about Catholic Charities or your experiences in volunteering or working alongside us and for our neighbors. You can share your stories by emailing me at jtames@ccthin.org or by calling (812) 316-6520 and leaving a message.

We are looking forward to sharing these stories and celebrating the impact we have made in our communities together!



## Providing Help. Creating Hope. Serving All.



The staff at Bethany House provided a safe space for 43 individuals; 32 adults and 11 children, a total of 18 individuals were placed in or transitioned to permanent housing and 13 individuals found employment. Danielle Elkins, Program Director – 1,964 Volunteer Hours by 5 Volunteers

43 People in Shelter

11 Children 32 Adults 18 Individuals
Placed in or
transitioned to
Permanent Housing





13 Adults found Employment



**8,196 people** received gently used clothing or small household items at no financial cost from the Clothes Closet and Household Exchange

"My son and I are blessed because of you all. It's just me and my thirteen-yearold autistic son, and you guys have helped us out since we moved here to Terre Haute in 2015. Catholic Charities provides warm meals and good food that I can cook for him. Thank you to everyone who puts work in; you are truly appreciated. We also shop at the Christmas Store. When I walk in, I feel truly cared for. When you don't have loved ones to receive any gifts from, it's so nice to have something for myself and for my son. God bless you all. Terre Haute is lucky to have you here in this - SHELLY R.







During Christmas 2021, 1,601 individuals from 478 low-income families received household items, personal hygiene products and clothing for each member of the family as well as toys for each child. All items are new and provided at no financial cost to these families.

Danielle Elkins, Program Director - 1,170 Volunteer Hours by 10 Volunteers



"I am a widower; I receive social security and disability but sometimes it's hard for me to make it through. I have to stop and think when I buy groceries, and I can't buy everything that I need. With your help, I can make myself some dinners and lunches. I only get around to the food pantries when I can because I don't have a car, but I thank you for everything that you have given me."

PANTRY PATRON





Through our network of 93 partner agencies, 3.9 million pounds of food were distributed by the Foodbank! As a certified affiliate of Feeding America, Terre Haute Catholic Charities Foodbank solicits, collects, sorts, safely warehouses and distributes food to individuals living in Clay, Greene, Knox, Parke, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo counties. John Etling, Program Director - 548 Volunteer Hours by 111 Volunteers



pounds of food distributed

agencies



through Fishes & **Loaves Soup** Kitchen



lunches



filled with meals



Ryves Youth Center provides a safe place for youth to learn, grow and develop by offering mentoring, preschool, nutritious snacks and meals, homework help, and athletic activities for children ages 5–17 in our communities. 10,917 meals and snacks were served through the Kids Cafe.© 483 children participated in after-school activities at Ryves. 37 children participated in the Champion Reading program. We were able to track 26 students; of those 26 children, 85% improved their grades. Jim Pinkstaff, Program Director - 10,767 Volunteer Hours by 61 Volunteers



students

participated in tutoring services

Of the 63 tutored students we tracked, 81% improved their grades

meals and

**Kids Cafe** 

snacks served in

students participated in the Champion Reading program

Children Participated in **Physical Activities** 

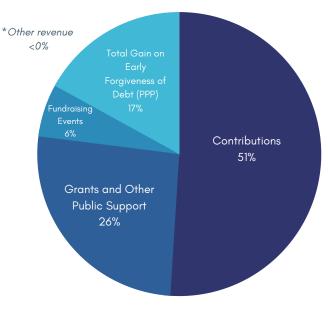


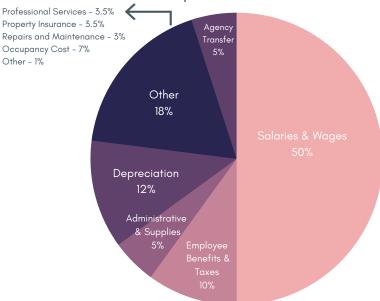






# Catholic Charities Terre Haute, Inc.

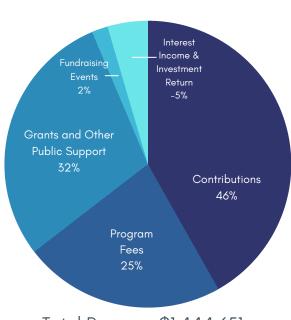


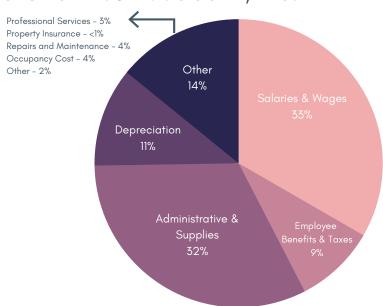


Total Revenue \$1,057,813

Total Expenses \$742,614

# Terre Haute Catholic Charities Foodbank, Inc.





Total Revenue \$1,444,651

Total Expenses \$1,557,413

A full copy of the Audited Financial Statement is available at www.archindy.org/finance/archdiocese.html

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