

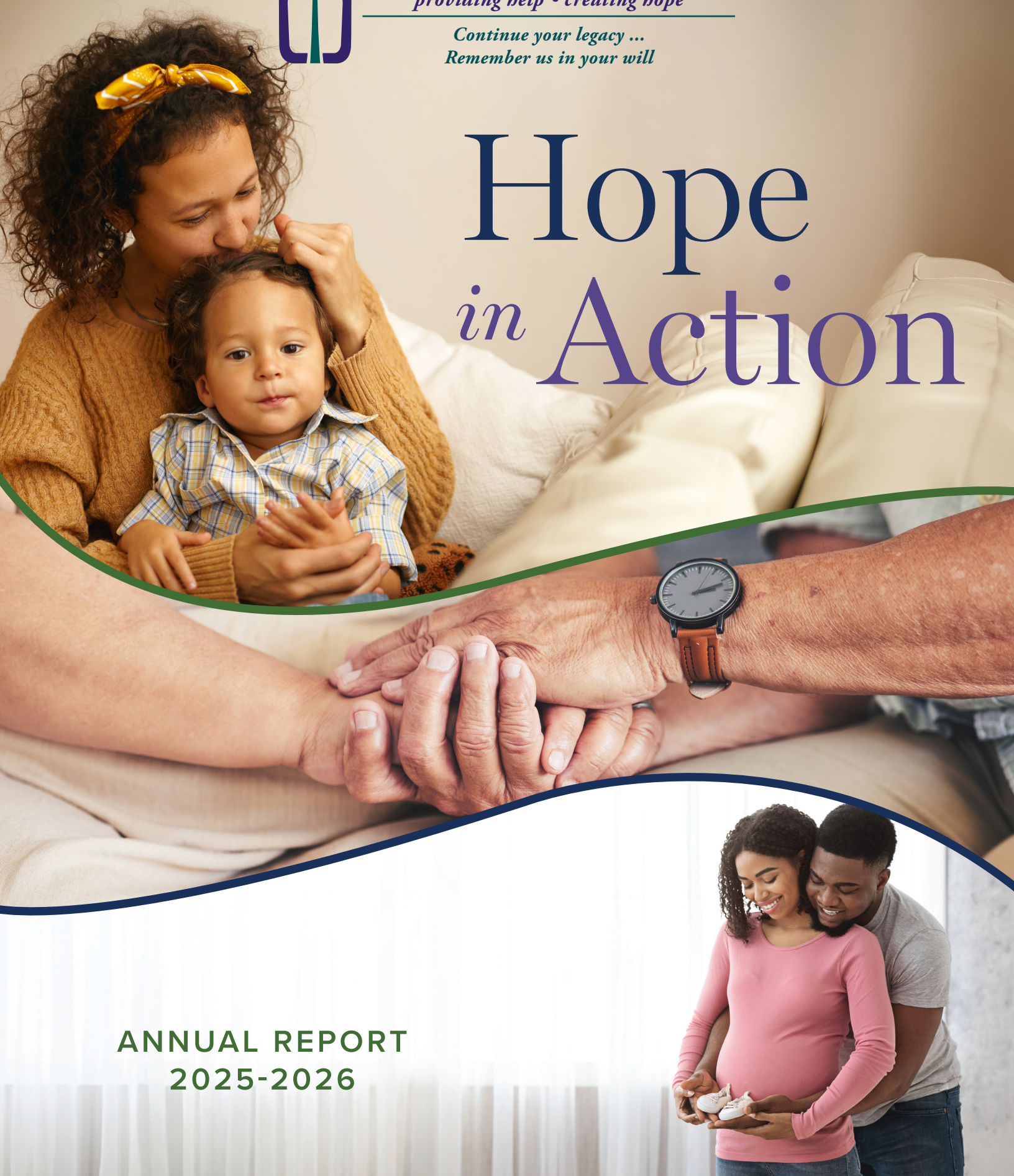


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DIOCESE OF PALM BEACH, INC.

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*Continue your legacy ...
Remember us in your will*

Hope *in* Action



ANNUAL REPORT
2025-2026

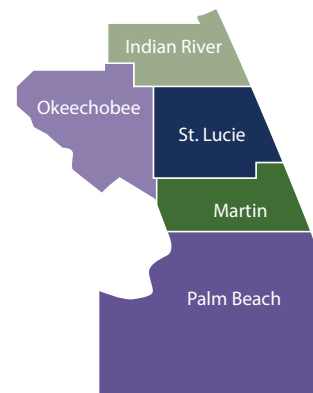
PROVIDING HELP. CREATING HOPE.

Providing Help. Creating Hope. At Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach, hope is more than a tag line—it is our mission, an action carried out each and every day through compassionate service, through advocacy, and through personal encounter and engagement with the persons we serve. This year's annual report, **Hope in Action**, provides a glimpse into the many ways we have created meaningful impact across the Diocese of Palm Beach and beyond.

Mission Serving people in need and creating hope through all stages of life.

Vision Serving people in need and creating hope through all stages of life.

Values Everything we do reflects God's love with faith, respect, service, and compassion.



*Serving individuals
and families in
need across our five
counties since 1984.*



A STORY OF HOPE ELDER AFFAIRS

"My sister was facing several serious challenges. She was alone while her husband lived in a skilled nursing facility, and she fell victim to a financial scam through social media. I did my best to help her, but she was struggling to manage their finances and was neglecting her own medical needs.

The team at Catholic Charities Elder Affairs of Palm Beach gave me the guidance and support I desperately

needed. They answered my many questions, helped me understand our options, and guided us through a complicated and stressful process with compassion and patience.

I am deeply grateful to Catholic Charities Elder Affairs of Palm Beach. Their assistance made a difficult situation manageable and gave me peace of mind."

- Client Supported by Elder Affairs Program

A NOTE FROM LEADERSHIP

Dear Friends,

It is my pleasure to share the Catholic Charities Diocese of Palm Beach 2025-2026 Annual Report, **Hope in Action**.

Each day, I witness the profound impact that hope has when it is put into action. Hope is more than a sentiment. It is compassion for those in need, respect for the dignity of every person, and a commitment to walking alongside individuals and families as they work toward a brighter future.

This report highlights the many ways Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach lives out our mission. Whether responding to requests for food and housing, supporting vulnerable seniors, assisting survivors of human trafficking, accompanying women facing unexpected pregnancies, guiding newcomers through complex systems, or helping those seeking a second chance, we are called to be a source of help and hope. In every interaction, we recognize the strength, resilience, and God-given dignity of those we serve. Their stories and achievements are the true measure of our success.

None of this work would be possible without the dedication of our staff, volunteers, parish communities, and community partners. We are also deeply grateful to our donors, benefactors, and the Diocese of Palm Beach for entrusting us with the resources needed to serve our neighbors with compassion and care.

As you review this report, I invite you to celebrate the lives touched and the progress made through our shared mission. Thank you for your trust, partnership, and support. Together, we continue to be a visible sign of Christ's love, bringing hope, healing, and opportunity to those who need it most.

With gratitude,



Ellen T. Wayne, Ed. D.
CEO

Dear Friends,

It is with great pride and a profound sense of gratitude, that we present to you the 2025-2026 Annual Report for Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach. The report, **"Hope in Action"** details many of the successes our agency has realized during this most recent fiscal year. These accomplishments are the direct result of the combined efforts of a compassionate team of staff and volunteers, the generosity of benefactors and funders, and most importantly the trust and resilience of the many people we serve across five South Florida counties.

In reviewing the past year, I can't help but be struck by the many good works and initiatives undertaken by the team at Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach. Even amid challenges to funding, and changes in policies that impact our services, the staff were steadfast in their resolve to serve the poor, vulnerable, and often overlooked. From victims of human trafficking to homeless families, to those who are elderly and alone, the new arrivals, the imprisoned or those struggling with an unexpected pregnancy, the agency was purposeful in their efforts to provide care, to see value and to foster hope in the lives of many. Additionally, throughout the year the leadership of the agency worked hard to introduce efficiencies and process changes that helped to improve our financial position, and to continue to be the best possible stewards of the funds entrusted to us. In doing so, the agency was positioned to deliver exemplary and impactful services throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach and beyond.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I wish to extend my sincere appreciation for the many ways in which you support our mission. Your prayers, partnership and support of Catholic Charities truly make a significant difference in the work we do. As we look ahead, we know that our projected growth and success rely on your continued benevolence. It is our hope that as you review this report, you are inspired to continue your generous support of this necessary, important, and in many cases, life-saving work.

Sincerely,



Dr. Percy Kavasmaneck
Board President

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PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE

2025-2026

The **Women's Pregnancy Solutions** mobile units expanded staff and services to include additional maternity supports for

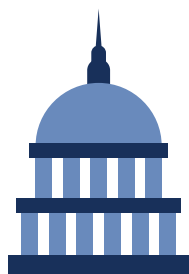
more than 200 women and families.

80+ abortion-minded women chose life.

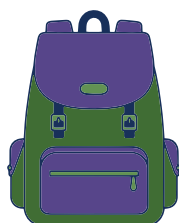


More than 50 households

received assistance with completing SNAP applications, expanding their ability to nutritiously feed their families.



With a new **\$500,000 federal award**, elderly victims of crime are receiving critical supports and services designed to prevent further incidents of crime and exploitation



1899

weekend backpack program distributions to children in need



Our long-standing **Elder Affairs** delivered trusted guardianship services and financial protection to **29 individuals**



15 correctional facilities

in the Diocese of Palm Beach received services through the agency's **Prison Ministry** program that reached **15,000 inmates**

Birthline/Lifeline Crisis Pregnancy Centers provided ultrasounds for

940 moms, and delivered close to **5,252**

individualized support services to expectant mothers and families with young children



300 families

in need received gift cards and food items during the holidays



"Catholic Charities welcomed us, helped us build new careers, and gave us hope for a brighter future. We will never forget the support that helped change our lives. We are forever grateful!"

- Giselle

Over 3,200

bags of food distributed to households in need



582 cases

shipped to Cuba for essential aid



72

Representatives, including students, seminarians, priests and diocesan leadership participated in Catholic Days on the Capital

The Respect Life Ministry Program hosted more than

65 events

in collaboration with 54 Diocesan Parishes.



17,916

volunteer hours were contributed across our many programs and services



At the Samaritan Center

69 individuals

received transitional housing



Assisted 163

Hurricane Milton Tornado victims

737

of immigrant clients assisted through our programs



110 survivors were supported on their journey toward safety and stability through the **Bakhita Anti Human Trafficking Program**



A STORY OF HOPE

SAMARITAN CENTER

“When my family of five became homeless after my husband’s serious illness, we faced an incredibly difficult and uncertain time. With our daughter’s special needs and my husband’s ongoing health challenges, including a toe amputation, we needed more than a place to stay. We needed hope.

At Catholic Charities’ Samaritan Center, we found stability, counseling, and the support we needed to begin rebuilding our lives. With that encouragement, I earned my professional teaching license and secured a position with the Indian River County School District. My children continued to excel academically, and our family worked

toward a home of our own.

Today, my family is thriving. My oldest son has graduated from college, and my youngest is a junior in college. I will always be grateful for the helping hand we received during our time of need.

Recently, I returned to the Samaritan Center with backpacks and school supplies, provided through Gifford Youth Achievement Center, Inc., to share with families facing challenges like ours. I wanted to give other children and families a little of the hope that helped change our lives.

Catholic Charities helped my family move from crisis to stability and from receiving help to giving back. I hope our story reminds others that with support, opportunity, and hope, a difficult chapter does not have to define your future.”

- Sharette



A STORY OF HOPE

WOMEN'S PREGNANCY SOLUTIONS

When I discovered I was pregnant, I felt overwhelmed, hurt, and uncertain about what my future would look like. I was navigating a difficult relationship situation, concerns about my health, and the responsibility of raising my three children. I didn't know what to do or where to turn.

At Women's Pregnancy Solutions, I found a safe place to talk through my fears without feeling judged or pressured. The support and encouragement I received helped me realize I didn't have to face this journey alone.

I made the decision to continue my pregnancy, and little by little, things began to fall into place. I talked with my mother, secured Medicaid, connected with an OB-GYN, and began preparing for the arrival of my beautiful baby girl.

As I work toward securing housing and preparing for this new chapter, Women's Pregnancy Solutions continues to walk beside me, connecting me with resources and offering support when I need it most.

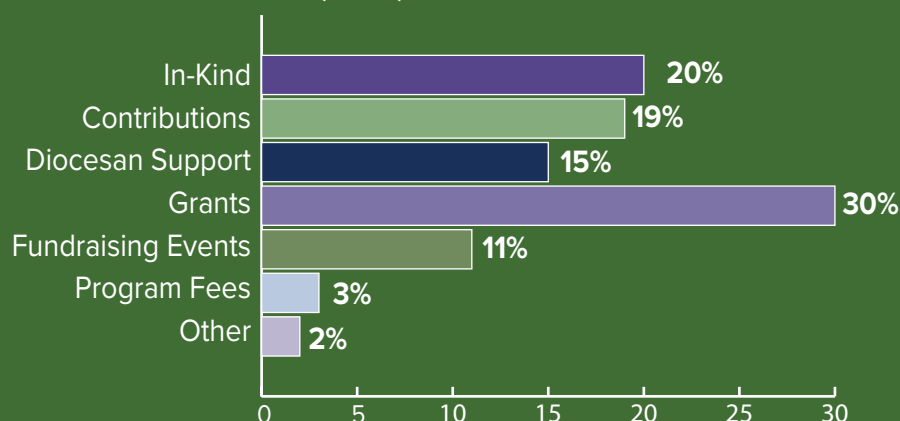
What means the most to me is knowing I have someone to call and that I am not alone. I came here feeling scared and uncertain, but today, I am looking toward my daughter's arrival with greater confidence, strength, and hope for our future.

- Leana

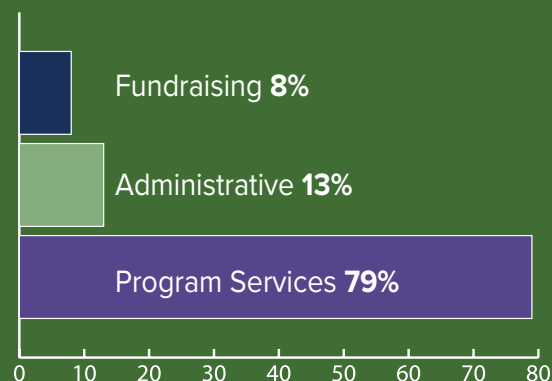


FINANCIALS 2025-2026

TOTAL REVENUE
\$10,097,736



TOTAL EXPENSES
\$10,243,338



**unaudited financial results*

Since 1984, Catholic Charities has been serving the Palm Beaches and Treasure Coast with life-changing outreach programs and services for people in need irrespective of race or religion.

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