



Whom Shall I Send?



**2006
ANNUAL REPORT**



“Above all, everyone who works in whatever sector or whatever way is called to perform that work as a co-creator with God and through his or her charity imitate Christ. Equally those who are poor or weighed down by sickness and hardship or the victims of injustice have a special role to play because they are especially close to Christ who loves them with a preferential love. ‘God is love and whoever abides in love abides in God and God in him.’ The perfection of holiness is the life of charity...”



Most Reverend William E. Murphy

Bishop of Rockville Centre

The Long Island Catholic

Faith and New Works: *“The Call to Holiness is For All of Us”*

Dear Friends,

“Whom shall I send?”

For many of us, the answer to that question is found in the lyrics of the familiar hymn, “Here I am, Lord.” But as we begin to hum the melody and whisper the uplifting lyrics we should recall that the song was inspired by scripture, Isaiah, Chapter 6, Verse 8. In one of God’s first communications to Isaiah, He calls him to be of service: “Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here I am. Send me!’”

That call to service and, more importantly, the response sum up the heart of the Catholic Charities mission. Indeed, we see it everyday as 600 employees and hundreds more volunteers use their gifts and their talents to care for our less fortunate neighbors. But we also see it in the thousands of people like you who generously support that mission, thousands who give what gifts they have, that the work of Catholic Charities might go on – that housing for low-income seniors may be built, that the disabled have a place to learn and to grow, and that the sick and addicted may be cured. They too have heard God’s call. They too have answered His call with the words, “Here I am, Lord.”

That wonderful reality is reflected in Bishop Murphy’s words above. He explains that each of us, regardless of what titles we have or what work we do, is called by Jesus Christ to be a “co-creator.” How frightening and yet exhilarating! To think that each of us has been empowered by God to help create a bit of His kingdom right here on Long Island. He knows each of us by name, knows every hair on our heads, our shortcomings and faults, and yet still has a plan for each of us – some good we must do that is for us alone!

This sense of purpose lies deep in every human heart, and it is ready and waiting to take action. Our job at Catholic Charities is to channel that desire to help and then share the results that you too may know the good that you do. That’s what this annual report is for. Yet, I assure you, no amount of words, pictures or pie charts can adequately express how many hearts you touch.

And while I also know that no words can adequately express our gratitude, I offer you our sincerest thanks for your listening hearts and your caring hands. You do make a difference. I hope and pray that for many years to come we will each continue singing the closing words of that lovely hymn, “I will hold Your people in my heart.”

Gratefully yours,

Laura A. Cassell
Chief Executive Officer



Linda, Chris, Laura Cassell, and Lyisha at a recent event. Linda, Chris, and Lyisha live at Virdone Residence in Babylon.



*You have been told what is good and what
Yahweh wants of you. Only this, live justly, love tenderly,
and walk humbly with your God.
MICAH 6:8*

Holding Them In Our Hearts

The total number of people served in 2006 reached 57,890. Last year, we provided more than 1.3 million caring, dignified, face-to-face, direct services to our clients.

Chemical Dependence Services*	2,253 Served
Child/Family Health Plus	1,444 Served
Commodity Supplemental Food Program (Formerly Food And Nutrition Program-FAN)	18,985 Served
HIV/AIDS Services*	197 Served
Housing*	1,864 Served
Immigrant Services/Refugee Resettlement.....	15,983 Served
Mental Health Outpatient Services.....	2,167 Served
Mental Health Residential Services*	46 Served
Nutrition Outreach Education Project (NOEP)	4,505 Served
Office for Persons With Disabilities	228 Served
Parish Social Ministry**	5,831 Served
Regina Maternity Services*	47 Served
Residential Services for People With Developmental Disabilities*	134 Served
Senior Services.....	3,643 Served
Special Dental Services	563 Served

* Many participants in these programs receive round-the-clock, residential care.

** The **Parish Social Ministry** staff also supported parish programs that serve people in their local communities by holding trainings and meetings that were attended by 5,705 people.

2006 Program Highlights

- With funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Nassau County, and the Town of Hempstead, the Catholic Charities Housing Department opened an “**enriched housing**” facility at **Mary’s Manor** in Inwood. It is one of the first in New York State and is designed to offer an affordable housing option to low-income seniors becoming increasingly frail. While in need of assistance with some daily tasks, these seniors don’t need full-time skilled nursing care nor can they afford home health aides. The apartments were designed to minimize vulnerability while increasing independence with such amenities as roll-in showers, fold-down tub seats, and shatter-proof light bulbs. There is also a 24-hour, on-site coordinator dedicated to the physical and mental well-being of residents, arranging two meals daily, visits with personal care aides, and recreational activities.
- The Chemical Dependence Services Department opened **its first sober home for women in Suffolk County**. Women are referred to the house by various treatment agencies throughout the county. The sober house is a safe, supportive place where residents can begin the difficult work of repairing the damage of substance abuse while beginning a better life.
- The Nassau County Department of Senior Citizens Affairs presented a much-awaited “hot shot” vehicle to the **Catholic Charities Meals-On-Wheels** program. The innovative new van is the first of its kind for the county and is specially equipped with temperature-controlled compartments that will allow delivery of meals in bulk, freeing critically ill seniors with scheduled care from waiting for the daily delivery of hot meals. It allows Catholic Charities to better supply nutritional assistance to seniors with special circumstances.
- The Special Needs Housing Program opened **another community residence in Suffolk County for individuals suffering from HIV/AIDS**. The residents were formerly in substandard housing or homeless. The seven-bedroom home has brought stability and support to its residents as each is currently successfully participating in a day program or has started meaningful employment.
- The scope of Catholic Charities’ service was recognized by the Nassau County Department of Health when we were asked to **partner the POD Project (Point of Dispensing)** plan for pandemics and to facilitate alternate care sites and special needs shelters during emergency situations.
- Three of our 13 residences for people with developmental disabilities celebrated notable anniversaries in 2006. **Mother Teresa Residence in Amityville celebrated its fifth year of service, Mako Residence in Southold its 15th year, and Seton Residence, also in Amityville, its 30th year.** Because one of our goals is to provide stability for residents, such anniversaries celebrate our staff’s continued dedication to our clients.

Chemical Dependence Services

Catholic Charities supports those struggling to reclaim their lives from drug or alcohol dependence. For many people, the road to recovery begins at our four Suffolk County facilities: Talbot House, our licensed 24-hour crisis center; two outpatient clinics; and a sober home for women. Services include group counseling, educational programs, vocational assessments and referrals, and short-term medically monitored inpatient withdrawal care.

“A short time into my care in Catholic Charities I could see a miracle occurring...I am restoring serenity in my daily endeavors and am achieving a well needed balance in my life. I have turned over a new leaf.”

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

This program provides monthly packages of free, nutritious, supplemental foods to low-income senior citizens, women who are pregnant or post-partum, and children up to age six. Two CSFP sites, as well as a number of trucks making stops throughout Long Island, distribute more than 11,000 food packages per month.

“All I can say is “thank you” to Catholic Charities housing and to the people who support it. Because of them, I am able to lead a happy and independent life.”

HIV/AIDS Services

Unique problems and needs accompany HIV infection, and Catholic Charities is committed to addressing those issues with respect and compassion regardless of a client’s religious beliefs or sexual orientation. Our Adult Day Health Care Services (ADHCS) ensures good overall health and well-being by offering medical and nursing services, psychiatric care, acupuncture, nutritional counseling, recreational therapy, social work, and case management assistance. Catholic Charities also provides special needs housing for low-income families with one or more members who are HIV-infected.



I have grasped you by the hand...
ISAIAH 42: 6

Housing

Catholic Charities builds and maintains affordable housing to allow seniors and others who have contributed so much to the community to remain a part of it. With 1,263 units at 15 complexes in Nassau and Suffolk, each with a social service coordinator, we keep safe and affordable housing a part of the Long Island landscape.

Immigrant Services / Refugee Resettlement

Each year, immigrants come to Long Island seeking a better life. In many cases, they are refugees fleeing war, natural disaster, or personal persecution in their homelands. Catholic Charities welcomes them. Our staff helps them adjust to their communities by providing employment services, legal counseling, citizenship programs, public policy advocacy, and community organizing.

Mental Health Outpatient Services

As an alternative to institutional care for people with persistent mental health needs, Catholic Charities provides treatment and support services at three community-based mental health clinics in Nassau and Suffolk counties. For those experiencing disturbances, the clinics help stabilize their lives, reduce emotional pain, and improve well-being.



Courtesy of Long Island Catholic.

I have called you by name: you are mine.
ISAIAH 43:1

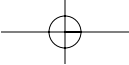
Mental Health Residential Services

A stable home environment is vital when caring for adults suffering from chronic mental illness and young people with serious emotional difficulties. Catholic Charities operates five Teaching Family Homes that focus on social and independent living skills while offering supervision, support, and guidance for adolescents. Our Siena Residence offers similar care for adults. Through Project Independence, Catholic Charities also helps individuals and families coping with mental illness live self-sufficiently within their communities.

“Sometimes, when things seem so dark, someone comes along and is the silver lining in the dark cloud. You and Catholic Charities are that silver lining.”

Nutrition Outreach Education Project

Educating people as to what services are available to them is often the hardest part of helping them. Catholic Charities’ Nutrition Outreach Education Project (NOEP) does just that. Our staff works to ensure a healthy diet for low-income families in Suffolk County by advising them of the various food programs they may qualify for and then helping them apply.



Office For Persons With Disabilities

A disability can limit a person's self-sufficiency, and the vulnerability and discrimination a person may face can also be discouraging.

Catholic Charities' Office for Persons with Disabilities (OPD) helps those who are blind, visually impaired, deaf, hard of hearing, or physically challenged attain the highest level of independent, socially integrated, and productive living. Services include orientation and mobility instruction, rehabilitation training for the newly disabled,

counseling and referrals, a senior deaf club, and a visually impaired persons (VIP) center. Catholic Charities also operates the Thea Bowman Residence, the only affordable housing facility on Long Island specifically for those with physical disabilities.

Parish Social Ministry

Across Long Island, thousands of volunteers at the Diocese of Rockville Centre's 134 parishes work to ease the plight of the most vulnerable in their own communities. Catholic Charities' Parish Social Ministry (PSM) department supports their efforts as they respond to the tens of thousands who come each year seeking help. PSM provides training and technical support while connecting parish personnel to the network of services they can access on behalf of clients. PSM also operates a Central Intake and Referral Line at (516) 733-7045 to assist people in need.

Regina Maternity Services

Through its maternity support services, Catholic Charities tends to the physical, social, and emotional health of young women facing motherhood without adequate resources. Those facing crisis pregnancy come to Regina Residence and find unconditional love. Regina will see them and their children, born and unborn, through pregnancy and the critical years of transition afterward while providing counseling, education, and child care – all with an eye toward preparing these young women for the challenges of working and parenting.

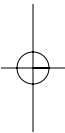
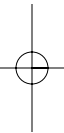


Photo by Greg Shernitz.

Wisdom rests in the heart of one who has understanding...
PROVERBS 14:33

Courtesy of Long Island Catholic.

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“It takes time to love. I've had enough time to know what love is when it comes to this Teaching Family Home and those who live and work here, and I love every last one of them.”

“It is a very long weekend waiting to get back to the Seaford Senior Center...Catholic Charities has no idea how much this program means to the lonely. Thanks.”

“My family and I were victims of human trafficking... We were mistreated and exploited by people who were legal citizens of this country... I want to thank Catholic Charities for all the help they've given my family and me.”

Residential Services For People With Developmental Disabilities

Catholic Charities operates a residential program for adults who are developmentally disabled. These group-living homes offer supportive environments where individuals are encouraged to grow and to achieve the highest levels of functioning and independence. All residents at our 13 homes participate in day programs and workshops, have household chores, and run errands. Some are even competitively employed.

Senior Services

Our services help ensure that the rapidly growing number of seniors on Long Island can continue living independently in comfort and safety while maintaining physical and emotional health. They include Meals-On-Wheels programs in both Nassau and Suffolk counties, four senior community service centers, and case management in Nassau.

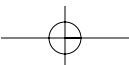
Special Dental Services

Access to quality dental care is beyond the reach of many disadvantaged members of our community, while those who suffer from HIV/AIDS, cancer, or heart disease may find some dentists reluctant to treat them. Catholic Charities operates an award-winning, state-of-the-art clinic where everyone is assured dental care.



It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you...
JOHN 15:16

“We're extremely grateful that our five children could be seen at the dental clinic. None of them has ever seen a dentist before – we simply can't afford it.”



Catholic Charities
Diocese of Rockville Centre
COMBINING STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
 For the year ended December 31, 2006

OPERATING REVENUE:

Bequests, contributions and other gifts	\$2,339,330
Foundations and other grants	1,249,980
Catholic Ministries Appeal	2,369,528
United Way of Long Island	152,710
Government contracts	9,628,472
Medicaid and Medicare	12,590,298
Fees, third party and other reimbursements	3,714,034
Total Operating Revenue	<u>\$32,044,352</u>

OPERATING EXPENSES:

Program Services:

Chemical Dependence Services	\$2,807,828
Commodity Supplemental Food Program	1,380,910
HIV/AIDS Services	2,606,830
Housing	557,284
Immigrant Services	1,077,329
Maternity Services	594,240
Mental Health Services	3,995,068
Office for Persons with Disabilities	367,919
Parish Social Ministry	2,026,576
Residential Services	9,505,044
Senior Services	4,111,851
Other Programs	1,090,720
Total Program Services	<u>\$30,121,599</u>

Supporting Services:

Administration	\$2,718,465
Fundraising	372,196
Total Supporting Services	<u>\$3,090,661</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$33,212,260</u>

DECREASE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS FROM OPERATIONS **\$ (1,167,908)**

NONOPERATING ACTIVITY:

Investment income and realized gains	\$993,991
Unrealized appreciation in fair market value of investments	995,838
Gain on sale of property	6,203
Increase in temporarily restricted net assets	4,278
Increase in permanently restricted net assets	110,015

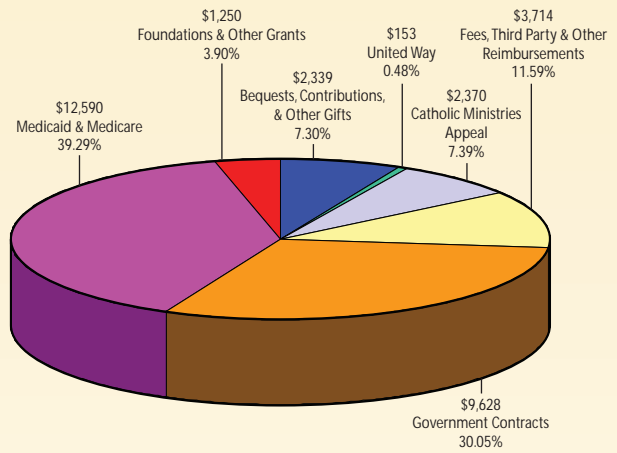
INCREASE IN NET ASSETS **\$942,417**

NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR **25,736,754**

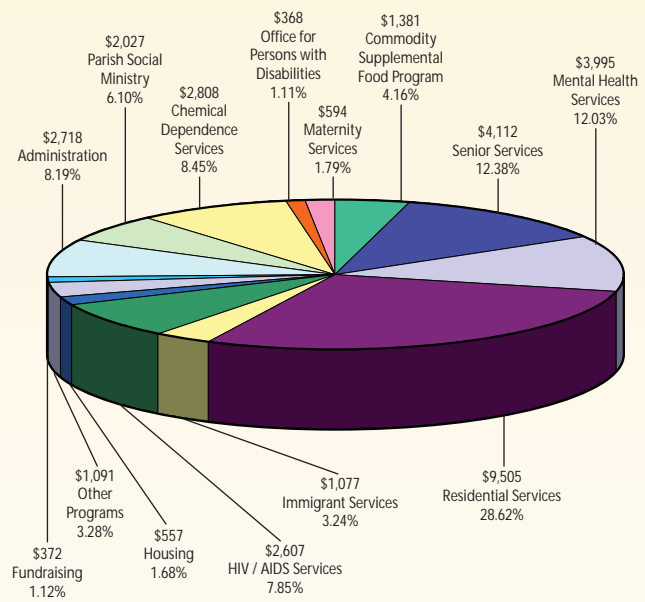
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR **\$26,679,171**

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Operating Revenue 1/1/06 – 12/31/06
 (In Thousands)



Operating Expenditures 1/1/06 – 12/31/06
 (In Thousands)



A copy of the latest audit report is available upon request by contacting Catholic Charities, Chief Executive Officer, 90 Cherry Lane, Hicksville, New York 11801-6299, (516) 733-7000.

Catholic Charities is funded by the Catholic Ministries Appeal of the Diocese of Rockville Centre, federal agencies, the State of New York, Nassau and Suffolk counties, the United Way of Long Island, client fees, contributions, grants, and bequests. Catholic Charities is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization. Contributions to Catholic Charities are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Catholic Charities gratefully acknowledges the legacies and support of those who assist in the continuation of our ministry. Your financial support enables Catholic Charities to maintain and expand its care of those in need on Long Island.

Gifts of cash, securities, or property are always welcome. A charitable gift annuity can provide a life income to the donor or another, as well as substantial tax savings. For information on planned giving or other forms of donations to Catholic Charities, please contact the office of Public Affairs and Development at (516) 733-7042.



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 We aim to organize and empower people
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 in the life of the community.*



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