

Society of St. Vincent de Paul 2022 Annual Report

St. Thomas More Conference

Each year the Society of St. Vincent de Paul provides an Annual Report to inform the Parishioners how their donations are being utilized and to thank you for your continued support. As a result of the pandemic, 2021 turned out to be a challenging year. 2022 was even more challenging.

Thanks to you, the Parishioners of St. Thomas Church, our organization was able to address the needs of the less fortunate that worsened during the pandemic. The organizations your donations helped support had to adjust how they continued to do the Lord's work and our members continued to deliver food and emergency funds to families that continue to struggle. They lived in poverty before the pandemic, which continues to make their situations worse. Although most of us have been able to return to a normal life, that is not true for the poor.

We have all been impacted by the pandemic, but those in poverty even more so. In some cases, families recover from the disease only to face medical bills, but without jobs to return to. The most urgent needs now are food and financial assistance for rent and utilities. This year, we plan to provide 120 Thanksgiving dinners to students and their families at Holy Name School in Camden, which will provide them with some hope as the year ends; and for which we hope you can be as generous as possible during our collection next week.

Our collections continue the third weekend of each month. Your continued generosity has been a blessing. You can mail donation checks to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul c/o St. Thomas More Church, 1439 Springdale Road, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003.

100% of your donations go directly to helping the poor. Please donate what you can to help us help those most in need. Please consider us if your employer offers a Matching Gift program. Thank you for your prayers and financial support.

2022 Collections: Parishioners and Members: \$25,347

2022 Expenditures: 100% of the total income was used for food purchases, rent for housing/eviction prevention, and support for local food banks (Cathedral Kitchen, Catholic Charities, Joseph's House) that serve several thousand individuals and families in Camden and the surrounding areas. We made over 200 home visits providing clients with more than 300 bags of food and \$16,200 in Shop Rite cards; assisted other local conferences; and contributed to the National Council of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for disaster relief in other parts of the country.

Sincerely,

The Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Thomas More Conference