

**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Diocese of Rockville Centre
Annual Report 2005**



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Mission Statement

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an international organization of Catholic lay men and women who seek in a spirit of justice and charity to help the poor, the needy and the disadvantaged through practical works of charity.

Goal

The Society is a non-profit, 501 (C)(3), organization governed by a Board of Directors.

Locally, the Society's work is accomplished through its network of 1,200 Vincentian volunteers who are organized into parish and community-based groups called conferences; and through special projects and programs operated by the Central Council.

Personally Present to the Poor

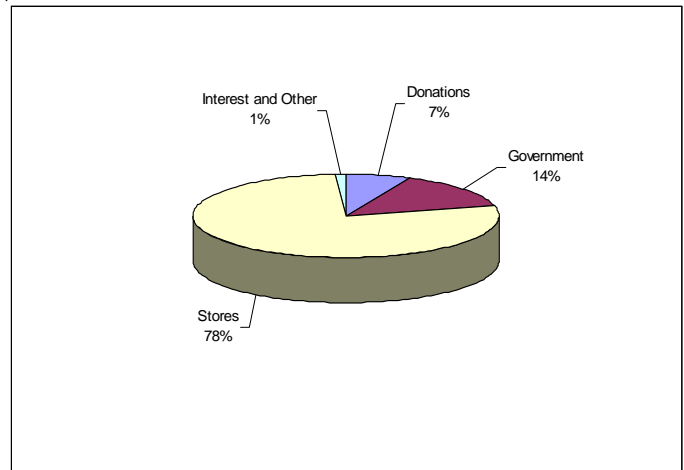
The Society helps all people regardless of race, religion, ethnic background, or nationality. Need - not creed - is the criteria for receiving help.

The Society accomplishes its mission through person-to-person involvement, providing emergency assistance - material aid, emotional support or spiritual comfort - in an effort to resolve an immediate crisis, to promote self-sufficiency and ultimately, to enable people to help themselves.

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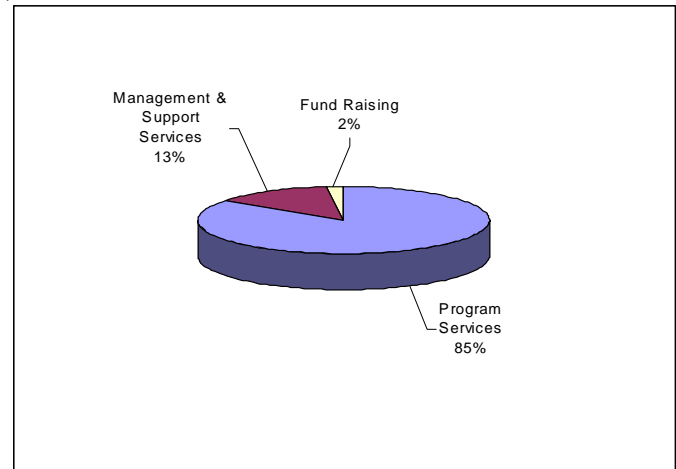
INCOME

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| Donations | \$ 543,932 |
| Government | \$ 1,016,677 |
| Stores | \$5,644,636 |
| Interest | \$ 48,577 |
| Others | \$ 24,289 |
| Total | \$ 7,278,111 |



EXPENSE

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|---------------------------------|--------------------|
| Program Services* | \$6,453,383 |
| Management and Support Services | \$ 960,229 |
| Fund Raising | \$ 212,088 |
| Total | \$7,625,700 |



PROGRAM SERVICES

| NAME OF SPECIAL WORKS | # OF PEOPLE SERVED | OPERATIONAL COSTS |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| HUD Rent Assist Program | 32 | 219,116 |
| Ryan House - Young Men, Res. and Counseling | 75 | 265,856 |
| Dismas House - Men, Ex-offenders Sub. Abuse/Transitional and Counseling | 3,311 | 294,090 |
| Anthony House - Men, Homeless, Res. and Counseling | 6,744 | 168,241 |
| Financial Management - Assist Elderly, Disabled with Daily Needs, Pays Bills, Check on Prescription, Food and Entitlements | 125 | 353,184 |
| Vincentian Training and Development | 1,217 | 250,525 |
| Family Assistance | 720 | 216,390 |
| Stores - Furniture, Decorative, Clothing Transactions | 57,925 | 4,199,642 |
| Free Distribution | 5,875 | 486,339 |
| | 76,024 | 6,453,383 |

The Vincentians...Faith in Action Serving the Poor Through Practical Works of Charity

The Society's members - Vincentian volunteers - are men and women who come from all walks of life. They share a commitment to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...to live their Catholic faith through service to the poor.

The Vincentians come as neighbors helping neighbors. Quietly, without fanfare or public recognition, they assist people in the communities where they live. This tradition of silence is in keeping with the Vincentians' respect for the dignity and confidentiality of the people they serve.

In general, people contact the Society of St. Vincent de Paul when they are confronted with a financial crisis or emergency they cannot resolve on their own. The Vincentians respond by visiting the individual's or family's home to assess the problem and offer whatever is necessary and available.

Providing material assistance is the initial challenge. Understanding the root causes of an individual or family's problems, helping to develop a long-term solution...offering comfort when there is an emotional upheaval...solace when someone is grieving...spiritual guidance to people whose faith has been challenged or who have lost hope in the future...these are the deeper challenges for which prayer and the grace that flows from those prayers inspire and sustain the Vincentians.

Through the Twinning Programs, local conferences in poor communities are partnered with others in more affluent communities. The Diocese of Rockville Centre also participates in international twinning; partnered with San Jose de Ocoa in the Dominican Republic. The Central Council provides financial support for a number of programs for the poor in San Jose. Each year, a group of Vincentians from Long Island travel to San Jose de Ocoa to assist the Dominicans with a variety of projects designed to improve the quality of life in this very poor region of the Dominican Republic.

As a member of an international organization, the Society provides disaster relief to communities within the United States and in countries where the Society has a presence. The local council serves as a conduit for the disaster relief.

The command I give you is this, that you love one another.

John 15:15-17

Whatever is necessary and available...

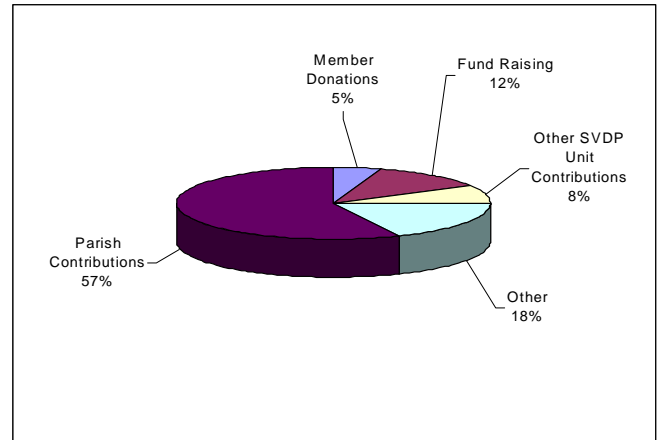
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professional counseling ·
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& train transportation ·
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ers · spiritual guidance ·
companionship · food
vouchers · perishable
foods · milk, bread, meat
· hygiene products ·
transportation · drug &
alcohol counseling ·
medical supplies · eye-
glasses · bail · burial for
stillborn infants · prison
visits · disaster relief ·
prayers · holiday gifts for
the poor · assistance
filing
government forms

The St. Vincent de Paul Conferences of Rockville Centre

(63 conferences with 1,217 volunteer members)

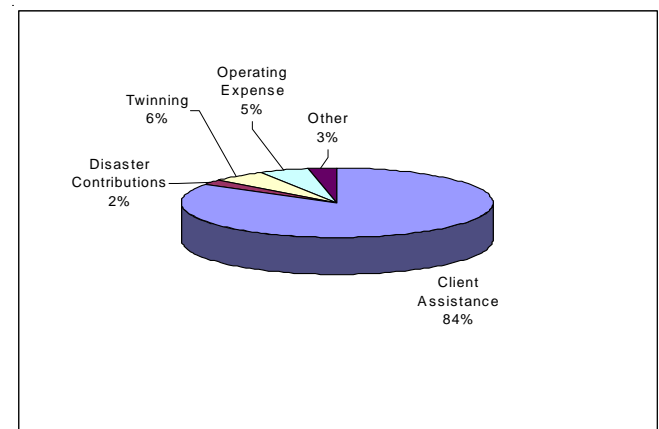
INCOME

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| Member Donations | \$ 76,396 |
| Parish Contributions | \$812,537 |
| Fund Raising Proceeds | \$152,980 |
| Other SVDP Unit Contributions | \$119,847 |
| Other | <u>\$255,568</u> |
| Total | \$1,417,328 |



CASH DISBURSEMENTS

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|------------------------|--------------------|
| Client Assistance | \$1,166,579 |
| Disaster Contributions | \$ 27,600 |
| Twinning | \$ 88,582 |
| Operating Expenses | \$ 65,783 |
| Other Expenses | \$ 40,396 |
| Total | \$1,388,940 |



IN KIND GOODS AND SERVICES PROVIDED

| SERVICE | # OF PEOPLE SERVED | \$ VALUE |
|----------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Food | 59,612 | \$1,022,891 |
| Furniture | 3,558 | \$ 381,871 |
| Clothing | 25,954 | \$1,151,755 |
| Other Goods | 14,592 | \$ 293,707 |
| Legal | 48 | \$ 12,872 |
| Medical | 231 | \$ 14,362 |
| Dental | 9 | \$ 581 |
| Other Services | <u>554</u> | <u>\$ 14,229</u> |
| TOTAL | 104,558 | \$2,892,268 |

WAYS YOU CAN HELP

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

• Become a Donor

You can support the work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul with a check or credit card donation. Gifts of cash are tax-deductible, and the simplest, most common way of contributing. An individual can become a Monthly Donor, contributing to the Society monthly to provide ongoing support for families in need.

• Planned Gift

Remember the Society of St. Vincent de Paul through a bequest in your will, through a life income gift, or with a gift of real estate or securities. One of the best ways to save on federal estate taxes is to provide for a charitable bequest in your will.

• Matching Gift Program

If your employer offers a matching gift program, you can double or triple the value of your contribution to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Simply complete and submit your company's matching gift form with your donation.

• Campaign Donations

Donate to the United Way Campaign and designate the Society of St. Vincent de Paul as the specific agency you would like to contribute to. If you are a federal employee, donate to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul through the LI Federated Campaign payroll deduction.

• Commemorative Cards

A variety of cards are available, (Memorial, In Honor Of, Birthday, Birth & Anniversary). Honor any occasion you would like recognized and give it true "meaning" by sending a card.

• Clothing / Furniture / Car Donations

Our Thrift Stores depend on the donation of gently used clothing, furniture, and decorative household items. Donations can be made directly to our Thrift Stores or through our familiar green clothing bins which are located at a number of supermarkets and parishes around Long Island. Furniture can be picked up at no cost to the donor. To arrange for a furniture pick-up, please call (516)746-8250 (Nassau) or (800)884-7837 (Suffolk). To donate a car, boat or motorcycle, please call (631)698-0284.

• Volunteer

Become a Vincentian volunteer and join us in our mission of helping the poor, the needy and the disadvantaged across Long Island.

The Society welcomes inquiries from you or your financial advisor about these or any other gift opportunities. Please contact the Society at (516)822-3132 or write to:

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With gratitude for the wonderful and inspiring people of the Society and the generosity of our many supporters, I know that together we do make a difference in people's lives.



Yours in the Spirit of St. Vincent de Paul,

Patrick O'Dea

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