



2010-2011 Annual Report



Shirley

Catholic Charities saved my life and my unborn babies.

Homeless, alone and pregnant with twins, Shirley was running out of options. At Catholic Charities Sanctuary for Life, she received a safe place to stay, counseling, medical care and job training to get on track to become a Mom to Hunter and Cameron.

Thelma

Foster Grandparents keeps me lively.

14 years ago, newly-widowed Thelma became a Foster Grandparent. Since then, the vibrant 81-year-old has given back to 14 classrooms of children—teaching them to read, washing their dirty faces and drying their tears.

Amy

I looked at that baby in my arms and wondered, "What am I going to do?"

Amy was left alone with 4 boys under nine. With help and encouragement she received at Families First, Amy found the confidence to get a job and become the parent her children needed. Today, Amy is an inspiration to other single mothers.

Scan the codes with your smartphone to watch the videos.



From July, 2010 to June, 2011, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge touched the lives of 44,046 men, women and children of all faiths.

Our Mission

We proclaim the gospel vision of
 Jesus Christ as our mission
 by serving the needs
 of individuals and families,
 especially the poorest,
 and working with
 Church and community
 for justice, peace, and compassion
 in society.

Dear Friends,

Emerging from a background of hurricanes and disaster recovery, the Advisory Board of Catholic Charities took a few days to reflect on its mission and plan for its future. From this effort – which included extensive interviews with other community leaders and an analysis of community needs – emerged *Transformation 2016*, our 5-year strategic plan and vision for our future.

Transformation 2016 underscores the two fundamental tenets of CCDBR's mission: Service to those most in need and a responsibility to improve our community. Our mission calls us to make a difference both in the lives of the people we serve and the community in which we exist.

Thus, the strategic plan calls on CCDBR to engage in a process of producing measureable change at both levels – individual and community – and to do this by working with both individuals and the community. The plan articulates a vision of the future to:

- Produce improvement in the lives of the people we serve.
- Create opportunities for people to work with us and improve our community.
- Thereby transforming our community to one in which Gospel values of justice and peace are more evident.

Our community has changed much in the recent past, and so has Catholic Charities. Our role has grown and expectations have increased. *Transformation 2016* keeps us focused on remaining a dependable resource in times of great need for those with great needs while at the same time building a better community, one in which the Kingdom of God may be more present in our lives.

Sincerely in Christ,



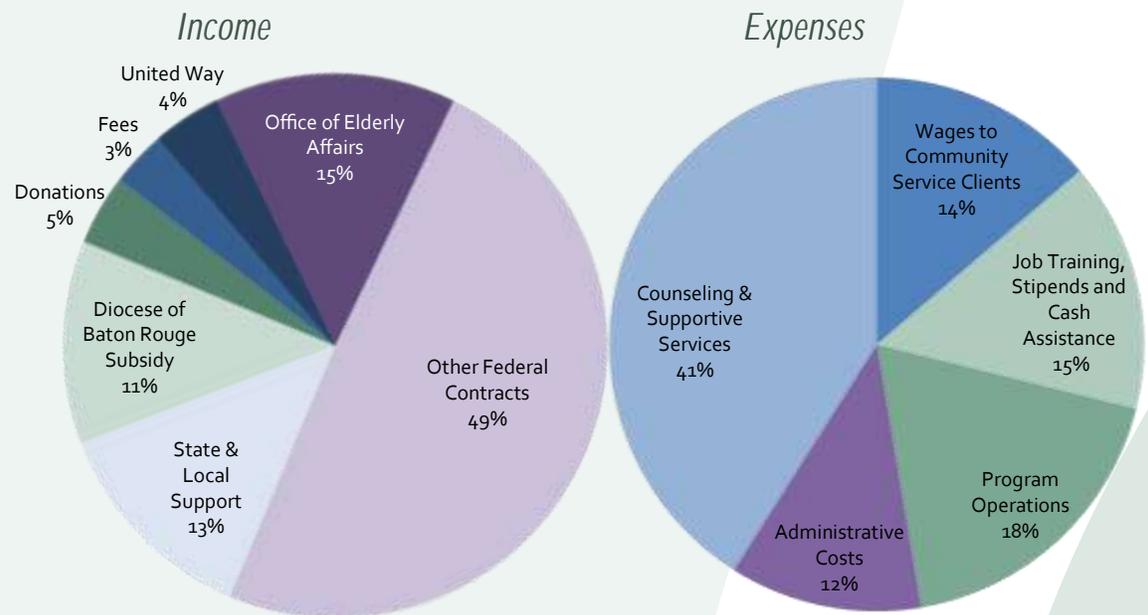
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2010–2011 Financial Report



Total revenues for the year 2010 - 2011 were \$9,587,441; total expenditures were \$8,208,296.
 Income and expense variation based on difference in funding years and multi-year funding for disaster recovery.
 Annual audit conducted by Postlethwaite & Netterville, C.P.A.



Providing Help and Encouragement During Crisis

587 families in danger of homelessness received financial assistance for housing, utilities and other basics.

246 families in crisis developed a family recovery plan

406 people found strength through mental health counseling at 7 locations—now including Immaculate Conception in Denham Springs.

670 received employment services, mostly chronically unemployed.

Older boys living at a foster home received counseling while waiting for their “forever family.”

189 seniors and their caregivers gained hope from Senior Care Outreach counselors, and 400 attended the First Annual Diocesan Family Choices: Giving Care, Taking Care conference.



Creating Hope for a Brighter Tomorrow

10 families moved into Families First on Evangeline for counseling, budgeting help, employment services and tutoring at the Learning Center.

220 low-income seniors acquired confidence through on-the-job training at area nonprofits and community agencies.

200 attended a six-week course for first time homebuyers; 27 graduates became homeowners.

338 adults and youth learned to manage their money and 124 attended Power in Parenting classes at Head Start, youth centers and the Housing Authorities in East Baton Rouge and Pointe Coupee Parishes.

Grieving women now receive counseling through Project Rachel, a healing ministry after abortion.



Welcoming Immigrants and Refugees Seeking Freedom

166 refugees fled violence and persecution from Burma, Bhutan, Congo, Iraq and Cuba and resettled in Baton Rouge.

Community groups and volunteers now rally around refugees adapting to US life.

100% of all employable refugees found jobs through our newly appointed Refugee Employment Counselor.

Two mutual aid societies for Asian and African refugees were formed to help build community.

250 improved their English at night school.

3,140 immigrants sought legal advice, counsel and orientation from the area’s only nonprofit immigration attorneys.

Immigrants, judges, law enforcement and social service providers attended “Know your Rights” workshops.



Strengthening Families through Service

552 volunteers unselfishly donated 8,522 hours of service

235 special needs children received individual classroom help from 99 Foster Grandparents at schools, homeless shelters, and juvenile detention centers.

The IRS honored agency staff and volunteers who prepared a record-setting 819 tax returns for low-income families and individuals—their refunds totaled almost \$1.8M.

503 children received new school shoes thanks to Our Lady of Mercy, GBR State Fair Foundation and Payless Shoes.

708 families and seniors experienced the Joy of Christmas because of generous donors and volunteers.

Team Turner donated 1,300 hours of Microsoft Office training for CCDBR staff valued at \$83,000 and was named a WAFB Power of 9 honoree.



Protecting Life and Building Families through Adoption

15 infants and children were placed in loving adoptive homes.

55 pregnant women and teens found guidance and help to chose life for their unborn children.

76 teen and adult adoptees, birth parents and adoptive parents were counseled.

6 babies were born to mothers living at Sanctuary for Life—our housing ministry for homeless, pregnant women.

10 newborns awaiting adoption were nurtured by loving volunteers for 292 nights.



Focusing on Criminal Justice Reform and Life after Prison

20 homeless, male ex-offenders found a new start at Joseph Homes—newly refurbished thanks to a grant from the Huey and Angelina Wilson Foundation.

Inmates at area prisons prepared for life on the outside by attending Prison Ministry’s Life Skills trainings.

Families with loved ones behind bars gathered in groups to find strength.

Catholic inmates at Angola Penitentiary connected their faith to social justice through *JustFaith*—the first group of its kind in the Country.



Supporting Communities Recovering after Disaster

570 households received case management and 195 enrolled in long-term recovery programs to recover from Hurricane Gustav.

As the waters of the Mississippi River threatened our Diocese, CCDBR activated its Disaster Response plan, directed a volunteer sandbag team and worked with parish officials until the hazard subsided.

Parishioners donated relief supplies for victims of the Alabama Spring tornados.

Church parish leaders learned to respond more effectively at the Annual Disaster Preparedness Conference.



Raising a Joyful Voice for a Better Society

Advocacy volunteers and staff worked with the Louisiana Conference of Catholic Bishops on human rights legislation to end the Death Penalty, criminal justice reform, child protection, poverty alleviation, immigration rights.

Executive Director David Aguiard joined 100 CCUSA agencies on Capital Hill to promote the family with legislators.

Catholic school students strengthened their faith through volunteering, donating household goods and participating in Operation Rice Bowl.



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Behavioral Health	225-336-8708
Counseling	225-336-8708
Disability Services	225-346-0680
Disaster Response	225-336-8700
Donations	225-336-8700
Employment Services	225-346-0680
Family Achievement Classes	225-336-4406
Families First Housing	225-336-8700
Financial Assistance	225-336-8700
Foster Grandparents	225-346-8712
Immigration Legal Services	225-346-0660
Joseph Homes	225-336-4406
Maternity Services	225-336-8708
Prison Ministry	225-336-4406
Refugee Services	225-346-0660
Sanctuary for Life	225-336-8708
Senior Employment	225-336-0680
Tangipahoa Service Center	985-542-5455
Volunteers	225-336-8770

Ten Things to Know about CATHOLIC CHARITIES ...

1. Touches the lives of one of every 20 people of all faiths in the 12 civil parishes comprising the Diocese of Baton Rouge—since 1964.
2. Gifts the community with opportunities to help their neighbors through volunteer service.
3. Commits 88 cents of every dollar to services . . . far below the national average for administrative costs.
4. Provides successful, unduplicated services proven to improve lives and strengthen our community.
5. Known as a national leader in disaster response and long-term recovery for disaster survivor families and individuals.
6. Advocacy initiatives and programs address the root causes of poverty to improve the lives of our clients, their families and our community.
7. Partners with nonprofits, other faith groups, foundations, universities and governmental agencies.
8. Primarily funded by donations, contracts, fees and grants; less than 11% comes from the Diocese.
9. Ranks #1 among 211-Info Line referral agencies.
10. Populations & services include:

Families & Individuals

- Mental health counseling
- Homelessness prevention
- Adoptions
- Job services
- Families First Apartments
- Financial education

Disaster Survivors

- Mental health counseling
- Family recovery plans
- Relief supplies
- Shelter support

Seniors

- Job services
- Foster Grandparents

Prison Ministry

- Ex-offender housing
- Family support groups
- Pre-release programs

Immigrants

- Relocation for refugees
- Legal services
- Interpreting services

Pregnant Women in Crisis

- Counseling
- Housing @ Sanctuary for Life
- Medical care & other assistance

Adults with Disabilities

- Resource referral
- Advocacy for independence

How you can help

- Pray
- Volunteer
- Donate
- Bequest or memorial intention
- Donate furniture or vehicles
- Offer employment
- Sponsor/mentor a family
- Start or join a social responsibility program
- Spread the good news



Scan with your smart phone to send an email.

Call 225-336-8700 or visit www.CatholicCharitiesBR.org to find out how you can become involved.

