



2023-2024 ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

WE CAN'T
SERVE OUR
NEIGHBORS
IN NEED
WITHOUT
YOU!



Because of your kindness and continued support, Catholic Charities of Eastern Oklahoma is able to provide critical services to individuals and families in need. From offering food and shelter to providing pregnancy and end-of-life care, your generosity makes it possible for our 15 programs to bring hope and healing to those we serve.

Each donation, no matter the size, helps us meet urgent needs and create meaningful change in the lives of our neighbors. Your gifts ensure that no one faces life's challenges alone, and that compassion and dignity remain at the heart of everything we do.

In this annual impact report, you will see what we have done together to build stronger communities and change lives. I am truly grateful for your partnership in our mission to be Christ's merciful love to those who suffer. Thank you for making a lasting impact!

God bless you.

Deacon Kevin M. Sartorius

Dcn. Kevin M. Sartorius, CEO

Last year...

7,337
VOLUNTEERS

worked

137,152
HOURS

which is equal to

70

full-time employees
added to our

**99 FULL-TIME &
33 PART-TIME**
staff members!

310

people volunteered
100+ HOURS

Kevin Legleiter, Rosalba Pickens &
Michael Canfield each volunteered
more than 1,000 hours last year!

Thank you!

Congratulations to our Volunteers of the Year: KEVIN LEGLEITER & CHRISTI JOHNSON



Kevin Legleiter volunteers every day in our Tulsa warehouse and has been instrumental in making sure that CCEOK clients have a choice of products when they come to The Market.

"To be a servant leader is to follow the example of Christ, who came to serve and not the

model the world provides," said Tim Neuman, Senior Director. "Kevin follows the mission of service to one another and giving of himself."



Christi Johnson volunteers in multiple capacities, but most recently has spearheaded the life skills component of the Good Shepherd Kitchen Culinary Training program.

"Christi offers comprehensive guidance to students on navigating the social intricacies of a bustling restaurant and culinary environments which will help them find meaningful work, maintain and develop substantial relationships in the workplace," said Dcn. David Hamel, Chief of Mission Integration.

3 WAYS TO VOLUNTEER!

AS AN INDIVIDUAL

From shelf stockers to tutors to teachers - there is an opportunity for everyone to serve!

AS A GROUP

Church groups, school groups, civic groups, friend groups - all groups are welcome!

CORPORATE TEAM BUILDING

Build your team by serving others. To bring your team, contact bbird@cceok.org



Learn more about becoming a volunteer at cceok.org/volunteer

Together, we are the
**LARGEST PROVIDER
OF FOOD**

to individuals in need in
the state of Oklahoma

Last year...

**50,500
PEOPLE**

shopped for their own groceries
at our client-choice food pantry,
The Market at Catholic Charities
in Tulsa

**7.5 MILLION
POUNDS OF FOOD**

provided across
Eastern Oklahoma

**24,300
PEOPLE**

received food,
clothing and other services
through our Outreach locations
and

**25,700
PEOPLE**

received food through our
MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES

THAT'S
46%
MORE PEOPLE
served than
the previous
year!

NOURISHING THE COMMUNITY.


Statistics reveal that 15.4% of Oklahomans experience food insecurity, impacting not only their physical well-being but also their overall quality of life.

- Hunger imposes an annual economic burden of over \$1.4 billion on Oklahoma due to higher rates of illness and reduced academic performance
- Food insecurity worsens chronic health conditions such as kidney disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, and obesity, and it affects the stability of employment and income for families
- Children who face food insecurity tend to have poorer reading and math scores, face more behavioral and social challenges, and are less likely to graduate from high school



CCEOK Garden featured on PBS' Oklahoma Gardening - see it at
cceok.org/ok-gardening





BRINGING HOPE TO THE CORNERS OF EASTERN OKLAHOMA.

EASTERN OKLAHOMA OUTREACH

Through our 6 outreach locations and 36 rural parish outreach grants, we are working hard to meet Oklahomans where they are.

DISASTER OUTREACH

Each blue icon represents at least one household we're working with to restore what was lost from tornadoes, fires, floods, and wind this past year. Our case managers continue to work with survivors for an average of 18 months.

MOBILE FOOD PANTRIES & OTHER FOOD ASSISTANCE

Of the 7.5 million pounds of food given away last year, 3.8 million pounds of food was delivered to locations outside of Tulsa through our outreach locations, mobile food pantries and other projects.

SERVING ALL 31 COUNTIES

of the Diocese of Tulsa and
Eastern Oklahoma through
our outreach locations,
food assistance and
disaster outreach

Last year...

36

PARISHES

received outreach grants
to provide help to those
in need in their communities

246

FAMILIES

received disaster case
management to recover from
fires, freezes, floods,
and tornadoes

108

FAMILIES

received help after a house fire

207

HOUSEHOLDS

received disaster
preparedness training

Last year...

**18 MOMS &
18 BABIES**

found shelter and hope for a brighter future at Madonna House

**19 MOMS &
38 CHILDREN**

found a safe home at St. Elizabeth Lodge

255 MOTHERS

received prenatal care at our Maternity Care clinic

& **247 BABIES** were born!

896 PATIENTS

received Dental Care services worth **\$1,146,615**

101 PATIENTS

received bright new smiles with dentures

STRENGTHENING HEALTH & FAMILY.

Catholic Charities Transitional Living programs, **Madonna House** and **St. Elizabeth Lodge**, provide a stable home for women and their children while they learn skills to stabilize their families.

Our **Dental Care** and **Maternity Care** clinics are providing vital healthcare services to those who do not have other access to care.



Seeking to build a better life for herself and her young son, Erica applied to LPN school and was accepted, but needed a place to live. She knew St. Elizabeth Lodge at Catholic Charities required residents to work in order to be a part of the program, but attending both work and school would leave her little time to be with her son. Thankfully, she was allowed to attend school full time while living at St. Liz. Erica is now working as an LPN and she and her son are thriving!

Read more about Erica's journey at cceok.org/erica



SUPPORTING OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED.

Catholic Charities provides compassionate support to people in need, offering financial assistance for rent and utility bills through **Emergency Assistance**, housing and care for those in their final days at **Porta Caeli House**, and healing retreats for individuals facing the long-term effects of abuse or abortion through our **Healing Ministries**. Through a wide range of programs, Catholic Charities ensures that those in crisis receive the help and dignity they deserve, fostering hope and stability in the most challenging times.



Eric had never heard of a hospice house before his mother's health began to fail. Hesitant at first, he visited Porta Caeli House on a friend's recommendation. As soon as he entered, he was struck by the warmth and kindness of the staff, which brought him a sense of peace after weeks of stress.

Just three days later, Eric received the call that there was a spot for his mother, and she was moved in immediately. When his mother expressed how comfortable she felt, far more than in her own home, Eric's burden lifted.

The house felt welcoming, with families supporting each other and volunteers offering compassionate care. It wasn't clinical or cold; it was a place of dignity and love. When his mother passed peacefully that Sunday, Eric found comfort knowing she had been in such a serene and caring environment. Porta Caeli House truly lived up to its name—a gate of heaven for her final journey.



Last year...

325 GUESTS

received end-of-life care at Porta Caeli House

7,073 HOUSEHOLDS

received assistance with basic needs through our Emergency Assistance program, including direct financial assistance totaling

\$170,000

1,122 HOUSEHOLDS

received help with applying for SNAP benefits and other community assistance

40 PARTICIPANTS

received support and healing through three Rachel's Vineyard retreats and one Grief to Grace retreat

Last year...

557 STUDENTS

spent more than

11,452 HOURS

in the classroom learning English as a Second Language, studying for their GED, or gaining computer skills

32 STUDENTS

earned their high school equivalency

222 STUDENTS

completed at least one level of English as a Second Language

81 VOLUNTEERS

taught and assisted students

11 STUDENTS

graduated in the inaugural year of the Good Shepherd Kitchen Culinary Training Program

THAT'S AN
85%

increase in
classroom hours
from last year!

CREATING BRIGHTER FUTURES.

Opportunity abounds in America, but education and training often present barriers. **Adult Education** and **Workforce Development** provides families with the education and training needed to secure gainful employment and a steady income.



A dream that seemed out of reach to Grover and Adela has become a reality. Last year,

Grover earned his high school diploma in our Adult Education program. Inspired by her husband, Adela achieved her dream of graduation one year later and hopes to start her own business.

Sister Catherine Martinez, Adult Education Site Coordinator, says that even after he passed his GED test, Grover continued coming to class, sitting by his wife's side, and encouraging her.

For information about
being a volunteer teacher,
visit cceok.org/education



REUNITING FAMILIES.

In cooperation with the U.S. Department of Justice, our **Immigration Legal Services** program guides immigrants through the legal pathway to secure visas and citizenship.

Our **Refugee Resettlement** program coordinates the reception and transitional needs of refugees resettled by the U.S. State Department for their first 90 days after arrival.



A Burmese family has reunited in Tulsa after 15 years apart.

Brothers Dal and Thawn Khup remained in Burma when their family fled to Malaysia

in 2009 and were then resettled in the United States in 2016. With the help of Catholic Charities Refugee Resettlement program, the brothers arrived in Tulsa in June and the family is excited to start a new life after such a long time apart.



Read more about this family's story at ccek.org/khup

Last year...

238 REFUGEES

were welcomed to Tulsa and set up for success with furnished homes, cultural orientation classes and other services

88 FAMILIES

arrived from

11 COUNTRIES

43 VOLUNTEERS

contributed

2,152 HOURS

setting up apartments, transporting refugees to appointments, translating and teaching classes

1,649 IMMIGRANTS

from

58 COUNTRIES

were counseled by
Immigration Legal Services

FINANCIALS

Fiscal year 7/1/2023 to 6/30/2024

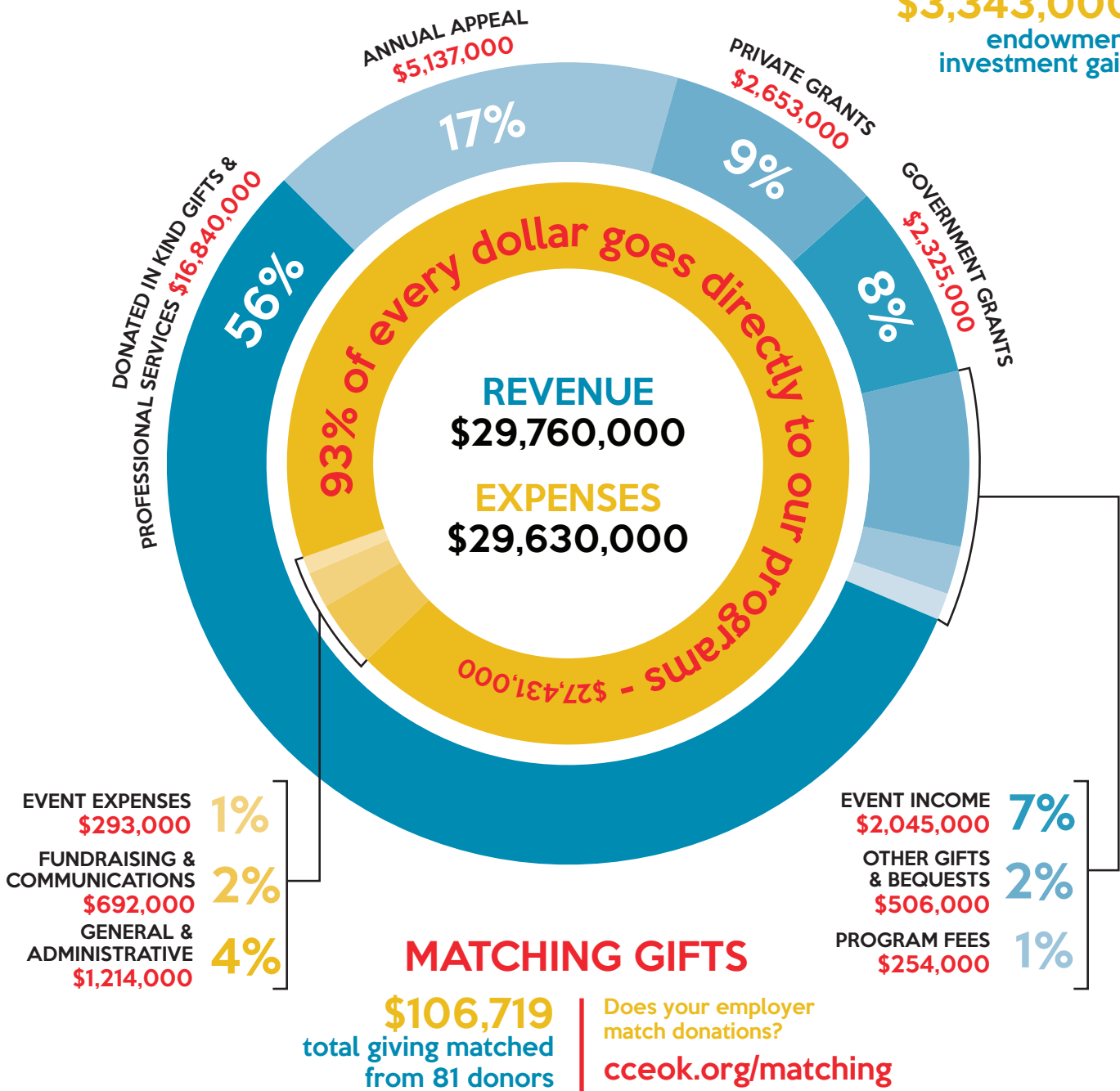
ENDOWMENTS

\$26,213,000

value of
endowments

\$3,343,000

endowment
investment gain



Financial numbers are pre-audit and represent management's best estimate at this time for the fiscal year 7/1/23 to 6/30/24.

SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2025

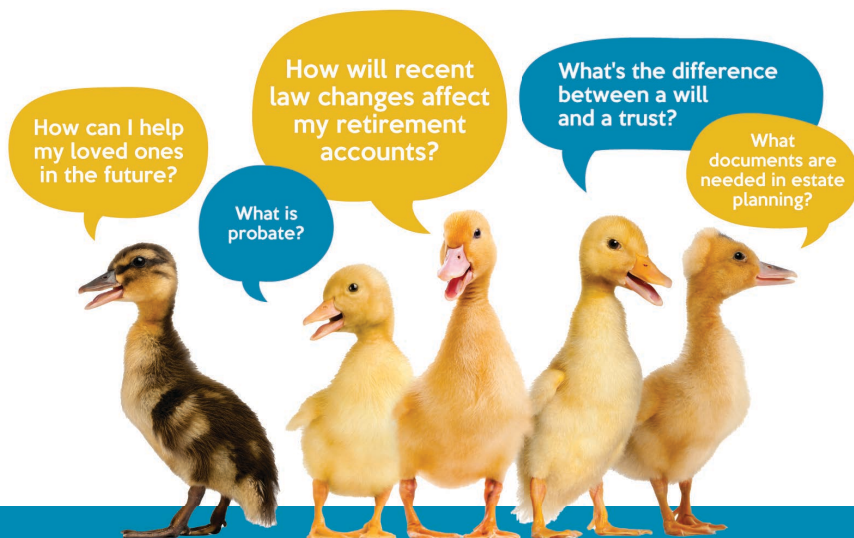
Patron tables available starting at \$2,000

THE 20TH ANNUAL
**COOKING UP
COMPASSION**
FEB 8 2025

LAST YEAR'S EVENT SOLD OUT!

Don't wait too long to get your table!

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Get your ducks in a row...

As a service for our donors, Catholic Charities provides complimentary and confidential charitable estate planning services.

Contact Laurie Gero at 918-508-7116 or lgero@cceok.org for more information.

*Have you named Catholic Charities in your will or estate plan?
Let us know so we can include you in our Caritas Christi Society.*

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BRINGING HOPE TO OUR COMMUNITY

Every day, our neighbors come to Catholic Charities in search of hope. Because of generous people like you, our staff and volunteers are able to give them a hand up. Your donation allows us to say “yes” to the needs of our community.

YOU CAN BE PART OF THE SOLUTION.



Many are surprised to learn that Catholic Charities does not receive funds from the Diocese of Tulsa's Faith & Works Annual Appeal. The majority of our funding comes from gifts made directly to Catholic Charities by individuals and foundations.



Donate to our
Annual Appeal at
cceok.org/donate