



Catholic Social Services is committed to spreading hope and love to communities and families who are struggling the most. With your continuous support, we are changing lives with faith-filled compassion, engaging communities to uplift those in need, and fostering independence, opportunity, and dignity.

You are helping to bless individuals and families who are in need, whether it be with housing insecurity, pregnancy supports, or food insecurity. Your prayers and donations are incredibly important to our mission and provide new life to individuals and families every day. Thank you!

This work cannot continue without you. Together, we can *provide help* and *create hope* to all of our neighbors in need. God Bless you.

Giving Tree blesses St. Oscar Romero House residents

"These kids have gone through so much and to see the eagerness in their eyes at the sight of all the gifts is very rewarding," said Mary Baldwin-Hagan, Fox Chase Cancer Center Secretary.

Residents of Saint Oscar Romero House, a CSS transitional living home, received generous gifts and well wishes for the holidays from the staff at Fox Chase Cancer Center. They erected a Romero House Giving Tree for the third year to benefit the unaccompanied refugees, ages 13-18, residing at St.

Romero's. The donations surpassed the previous years' collections with everything from clothing and blankets to food gift cards!

We are so grateful to you for contributing to our CSS programs this holiday season despite all of the challenges you have experienced during the pandemic. St. Romero House's clients are youth who have fled their countries due to war, religious persecution, or human trafficking. You are providing them with a safe and warm home to live while they get on their feet. You are creating hope in their lives.

[Click here to learn about the history of Saint Oscar Romero House.](#)



Luminaries for Life

On January 20th, CSS held its annual Luminaries for Life observance. CSS and Archdiocesan staff displayed 49 luminaries to recall the sanctity and dignity of human life. The luminaries also serve as an expression of solidarity with all those who attended the 49th annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 21st.



With your continuous support of Catholic Social Services, we provide over a dozen supports for pregnant women and parents with children. You help us provide baby supplies, parenting classes, quality preschool education, adoption services, and so much more. Pregnancy and starting a family can be scary. But, together we are serving families across Philadelphia and the surrounding suburbs and giving them all they need to thrive as their children grow up.

[Click here to read about our pregnancy supports.](#)

[Click here to read about our parent and children supports.](#)

Martha's Choice growing with generous grant



"The farm and the market bring clients, volunteers, and neighbors together intentionally to feed both body and spirit," said Patrick Walsh, Director of Programs at Martha's Choice.

Martha's Choice Marketplace and Community Farm, the largest food pantry in Montgomery County, recently received a large grant from the Connelly Foundation to continue expanding their community-building work. In 2021, Martha's Choice distributed 1.5 million pounds of food to almost 10,000 households! About 5,000 pounds of that food was freshly harvested from Martha's Community Farm in Audubon.

Your support of CSS and Martha's Choice Marketplace and Community Farm is so important to our mission of providing food and a sense of community for people who need it. Many families suffered with food insecurity throughout the pandemic, but

your support and prayers helped our programs provide food to those most in need. We are very excited to see how Martha's Choice Marketplace grows in 2022!

[Click here to read more.](#)

Your donations make the work of Catholic Social Services programs possible. Please give today to help transform the lives of thousands of people. Together we will continue *providing help* and *creating hope*!

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