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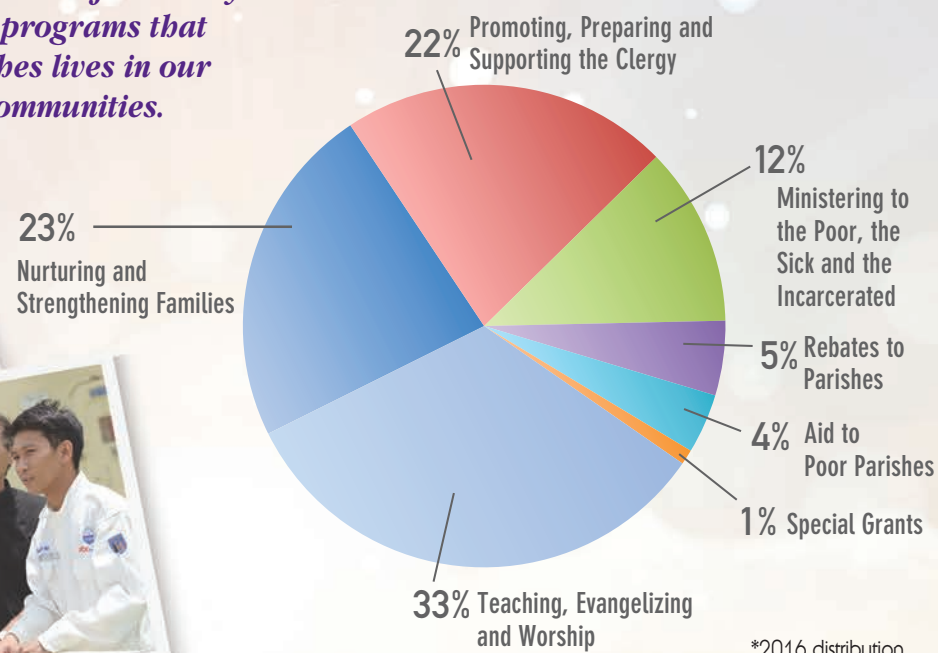
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are just two of the many
DSF programs that
touches lives in our
communities.

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This is an abbreviated list of the DSF-funded ministries, for the full list please visit www.archgh.org/DSF.

THE DIOCESAN SERVICES FUND 2018 NEWSLETTER

Catholic Charities

This past year Hurricane Harvey devastated the Houston area. Catholic Charities assisted 15,181 individuals in the immediate aftermath of the storm. Catholic Charities, supported by DSF, was the Archdiocese's social service delivery to thousands of

people affected by Hurricane Harvey offering basic necessities, shelter, food and clothing. Catholic Charities provided help and hope for hundreds more whose recovery could take months or even years. This ministry continues to lead the region in a compassionate, effective response.

In addition to the work with those affected by the hurricane, Catholic

Charities serves more than 81,000 people annually through its ongoing programs. It promotes campaigns for social justice in collaboration with parishes and local communities. Catholic Charities also promotes the nurturing of children, strengthening of families, and enabling the independence for seniors and veterans.

“Christ has no body on earth but yours, no hands but yours, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which Christ’s compassion for the world is to look out; yours are the feet with which He is to go about doing good; and yours are the hands with which He is to bless us now.”

— ST. TERESA OF AVILA

This quote is fitting for all the good works that many of you performed during and after Hurricane Harvey for your neighbors, friends and even the stranger. You along with volunteers and staff of Catholic Charities and San José Clinic truly demonstrated the love of our savior for your fellow man. Many Catholic churches and some of our Catholic schools were also affected by this catastrophic storm and we are working hard to assist them make repairs. As we start the New Year, we turn our focus to more than 60 programs

covered by DSF. It is the day-to-day operations of these ministries that serve others but also those programs such as ongoing religious education that are important to all of us. Your contribution will be more important than ever in 2018. *May the Lord bless you for your charity and generosity.*

— DANIEL CARDINAL DINARDO
ARCHBISHOP OF GALVESTON-HOUSTON

Hurricane Harvey



When you forget yourself and think of others, this is love! – POPE FRANCIS

Office of Worship



The Office of Worship seeks to make liturgy the source of spiritual growth and development for the Church. In this role, this office oversees all liturgical celebrations such as Christmas Mass, provides workshop and consultation advisory to RCIA teams, parish ministers and liturgical leaders. Both the Catholic Schools Choir and the Archdiocesan Choir are coordinated under this office.

Catholic Chaplain Corps

The Catholic Chaplain Corps serves six Texas Medical Center hospitals with over 9500 beds and up to 25% of those beds are filled by Catholic patients. In addition to the Texas Medical Center, there are at least seven major regions within the Archdiocese where the Catholic Chaplain Corps serves hospital systems. As a direct result of the Archdiocese commitment to provide pastoral ministry to Catholic patients, the elderly and homebound, a restructuring and expansion of the Catholic Chaplain Corps is being launched.



The Department of Seminarians



The Department of Seminarians guides men interested in the priestly vocation. It provides men with room, board and support through the extensive journey of studying to become a priest, often as long as eight years.

The many FACES of DSF supported programs

Correctional Ministries



Religious Education



First Communion



The work of more than 60 DSF programs not only touches the lives of 1.6 million Catholics in our communities but many others in need.

Youth Programs



St. Dominic Village



Let this year be the year you begin or give again to DSF

“San José Clinic, a DSF-funded ministry, responded to the many medical needs of our local community from Hurricane Harvey. They were able to help and serve over 1800 patients in the aftermath of the storm.”

DANIEL CARDINAL DINARDO
Archbishop of Galveston-Houston



“A lot of people are accustomed to supporting their own parishes financially, but they don't realize how many resources are provided throughout this area by the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. These programs need to be supported as many benefit from them, even non-Catholics. Contributing to these programs make them available to as many people as possible.”

RACHEAL AND PAUL EMIG
Parishioners, St. Paul Catholic Church

“DSF has been around almost as long as I've been a priest in this Archdiocese. This effort helps those beyond the reach of the parish, but also helps people within the parish often without them realizing it. DSF provides support in every aspect of our lives from faith formation to the Sacraments, supporting our Clergy, ministering to our loved ones who might be sick or incarcerated and serving the poor.”

MSGR. DAN SCHEEL, S.T.L.
Pastor, St. Jerome Catholic Church

