COMPASSION IN ACTION

PROVIDING LIFE’S BASIC NECESSITIES
OUR MISSION

For more than 100 years, Catholic Charities has continued its mission of building a just and compassionate society rooted in the dignity of all people.

The story of Catholic Charities began in 1903 with John J. Williams, Archbishop of Boston. After witnessing the appalling social conditions of Boston’s immigrant and predominantly Catholic population, the Archbishop envisioned an agency that would provide assistance and hope to families in need across society.

Today, guided by the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church, Catholic Charities supports the greater community by sharing its values and providing services with compassion and care to all, regardless of religion, race, gender, age, disability or ethnicity. Catholic Charities exists to help ensure that the Good Samaritan remains alive in our society.

A mission of HOPE for all.
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LENDING A HAND

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Catholic Charities of Boston serves those most in need, ensuring they have access to life’s basic necessities, and most importantly, offers hope and a path from crisis to stability to self-sufficiency. In recent years, essential family expenses have risen faster than wages have increased. Based on current projections, more than one-third of American families are “financially fragile.”
CLIENT SERVICES

BASIC NEEDS
• Food and shelter
• Living assistance (rent, mortgage, heat and utilities)
• Seasonal and holiday assistance

FAMILY & YOUTH SERVICES
• Family and center-based child care
• Parenting and elder programs
• Behavioral health counseling
• After-school and summer programs provide safe havens for children and teens

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
• Adult education (English classes for speakers of other languages and human services classes.)
• Certified Nursing Assistant and Home Health Aide programs
• High school equivalency test prep courses

REFUGEE & IMMIGRANT SERVICES
• Refugee resettlement
• Immigration legal services
• Interpreter and translation services
BASIC NEEDS

We help more than 120,000* individuals annually with food, shelter and living assistance that helps them move from crisis to stability and ultimately, self-sufficiency.

THE IMPACT OF YOUR SUPPORT

$30,000 PROVIDES A YEAR’S WORTH OF HOUSING AND COUNSELING SERVICES FOR A YOUNG MOTHER WORKING TO BUILD A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR HERSELF AND HER BABY

Amy** came to Brigid’s Crossing shelter in Lowell as a teenage mother-to-be who had nowhere else to turn. While living at the shelter, the nurturing, supportive environment at Brigid’s Crossing enabled Amy to continue her high-school education and receive parenting and life skills training. She and her child remained at the shelter as she graduated from high school and enrolled in college. Amy is now living independently, working full-time and raising her child.

COMMUNITY NEED

1 in 8
Massachusetts children facing daily food insecurity

18,471
Number of Massachusetts residents experiencing homelessness on a given day

40%
of Americans don’t have $400 in the bank for an emergency expense

OUR IMPACT

1. 2.5 million lbs. of food provided to more than 100,000* individuals from six food pantries
2. 147 beds available per night to women and families at five shelters
3. 400+ families enrolled in Homelessness Prevention Services
4. 1,300+ clients aided with rent, mortgage and utilities
5. 92% of clients enrolled in our Yawkey Center Basic Needs program maintain a regular budget for 3+ months
6. 13,000 individuals served with holiday food and gifts

* Figure takes into consideration average household size and number of visits annually to reflect total impact.
** Name changed to protect client’s privacy.
**FAMILY & YOUTH SERVICES**

We support families throughout our community with an integrated system of programs and services that help them lead safe, secure lives.

**THE IMPACT OF YOUR SUPPORT**

$5,500 FUNDS A SAFE, ENRICHING ENVIRONMENT FOR ONE YEAR FOR A TEEN IN ONE OF MASSACHUSETTS’ MOST TROUBLED NEIGHBORHOODS

**COMMUNITY NEED**

$34,000

Average annual combined cost for center-based child care for an infant and a 4-year-old in Eastern Massachusetts

1 in 4

Boston children under the age of five have access to high-quality child care. In low-income areas, only one in 10 children has access.

13%

Annual ROI for quality early education with improved outcomes in education, health, sociability and economic productivity

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Alex, Jose and Manuel have been friends since middle and high school, growing up in the Bowdoin/Geneva neighborhood of Dorchester and spending after school and summers at Catholic Charities’ Teen Center at St. Peter’s. Their neighborhood was overrun with gang violence and drugs and they turned to the Teen Center for a safe haven to keep them off the streets. Today, the three young men are new additions to the Boston Police Department, patrolling the neighborhood they grew up in and continuing to visit the Teen Center as a way of giving back to the place that has made such a huge difference in their lives.

**OUR IMPACT**

1. 1,200 children enroll annually in quality curriculum-based child care throughout Greater Boston’s most impoverished communities
2. 100% of our pre-k students achieve kindergarten readiness
3. 1,000+ children attend summer youth programs and camps annually
4. 1,000 seniors receive counseling and home visit services
5. 400 children and adolescents receive counseling services
6. Over 500 young adults receive help to become better parents
A native of the Dominican Republic who had taken a nontraditional path in her education, Sanoli came to Catholic Charities’ El Centro del Cardenal looking for an adult education class to help her achieve a level of advanced English proficiency so she could pursue her dream of going to college and becoming an engineer. Today, Sanoli holds an associate degree in civil engineering from Mass Bay Community College and is a senior in the School of Engineering at Tufts University on a full scholarship.

THE IMPACT OF YOUR SUPPORT
$4,000 FUNDS A FULL-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP IN ONE OF OUR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY NEED
$24,000
Estimated wage gap between native speakers and non-native speakers with otherwise identical skill sets

69%
Jobs in the U.S. that require a minimum of a high school diploma or equivalent

9%
Annual market growth for Certified Nursing Assistants

OUR IMPACT
1. 2,000 adults in high poverty communities gain English proficiency at one of our five adult education centers
2. Over 1,000 students earn workforce development credentials and job readiness skills
3. 600 clients join a promising career track by earning credentials through our training programs for Nursing Assistants, Home Health Aides and human services occupations

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Education is one of the most important steps on the path to self-sufficiency, helping people get jobs that provide livable wages. For 35 million adults in the U.S., English is a second language, which can create barriers to education, employment and higher wages.
REFUGEE & IMMIGRANT SERVICES

Immigrants and refugees arrive in Boston seeking opportunities, often fleeing challenging circumstances in their home countries, including war, persecution, violence and extreme poverty. As both a moral and economic imperative we help these individuals and families adjust to their new lives and integrate into society.

THE IMPACT OF YOUR SUPPORT

$12,500 ALLOWS CATHOLIC CHARITIES TO PROVIDE A NEWLY ARRIVED REFUGEE FAMILY WITH HOUSING, CASE MANAGEMENT AND THE BASIC NECESSITIES ESSENTIAL TO STARTING A NEW LIFE

COMMITTEE NEED

32%
Percentage of the state’s population, ages 0-5, who are children of immigrants. They will play a significant role in the future of our Commonwealth. Their numbers have grown by 40% in Massachusetts since 2000, compared with 24% growth nationally.

138,000
children across the state who have at least one immigrant parent

68,700
Entrepreneurs in Massachusetts (one-fifth of the total) who are foreign born. They employ over 134,000 people and generate $1.9 billion in business income.

OUR IMPACT

1
16,770 limited English speakers has an interpreter to help access education, health and social services

2
Over 500 unaccompanied migrant children receive a legal orientation to the U.S. immigration system

3
225 refugees and unaccompanied migrant children fleeing violence, physical and sexual abuse and neglect receive specialized case management

Zaid is a refugee who fled Iraq and the threat of ISIS in 2016. After arriving in Salem, volunteers from Catholic Charities’ Refugee and Immigrant Services set him up in a shared apartment with other refugees and helped him adjust to cultural differences, create a résumé, apply for jobs and enroll in ESOL classes. Now, over three years later, Zaid is reunited with his wife, living in his own apartment and back in college pursuing a master’s degree.
## WHAT YOUR GIFT CAN DO

With your support, we respond to urgent needs in our community, while helping clients on their path to self-sufficiency.

### BASIC NEEDS

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<td>Contribute toward average rent/utility support for one family, to catch them up on their bills and keep them current</td>
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<td>Provide groceries for 4,310 meals</td>
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<td>Cover four months of secure housing for a resident in one of our five shelters</td>
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<td>Supplement the salary of a full-time basic needs coordinator, ensuring that our pantries are staffed and available in our communities</td>
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### FAMILY & YOUTH SERVICES

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<td>Sponsor a camper at Sunset Point Camp for one week</td>
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<td>Fund a full year’s scholarship for the Teen Center at St. Peter’s</td>
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<td>Underwrite one year’s curriculum of parent workshops and training to strengthen parenting skills</td>
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<td>Cover the cost of one year of play therapy for three children</td>
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<td>Help pay the tuition for two preschoolers in our child care program for one year</td>
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### WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

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<td>Provide textbooks for 10 students enrolled in our workforce development program</td>
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<td>Fund a full-year scholarship for an adult in our English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program</td>
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<td>Supply our Certified Nursing Assistant and Home Health Aide training courses with technical training equipment</td>
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<td>Buy new computers for our adult education technology labs, allowing students to learn basic computer skills to aid them in their future careers</td>
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<td>Provide 10 legal consultations for immigrants seeking to work and contribute to their communities</td>
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<td>Secure and furnish an apartment for a refugee family of five</td>
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<td>Help 60 people apply for citizenship</td>
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<td>Support the salary of a part-time immigration attorney</td>
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### HOW TO HELP

- [www.ccb.org/donate](http://www.ccb.org/donate)
- 781-380-4777
- Catholic Charities of Boston
- 275 West Broadway
- Boston, MA 02127
ABOUT US

Catholic Charities is one of the largest social service nonprofit organizations in Massachusetts, providing direct services to people in need.

• 175,000* people served annually
• Over 450 employees
• 23 locations

Catholic Charities’ annual operating budget is approximately $40 million, one-third of which is underwritten by the annual support of private individuals and institutions. As a separate legal entity from the Catholic Church, we depend on the generosity of our donors, foundations, corporations, volunteers and others in the community to be able to provide services to those most in need.

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WHERE WE SERVE