



THE CATHOLIC
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OF SANTA CLARA COUNTY

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Building *FOREVER VALUE* Through Endowments and Donor Advised Funds

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Dear Friends,

The mission of the Foundation is to continue to develop endowments in support of all aspects of our vibrant Catholic community.

There are four important pillars of our work:

- **SPIRITUALITY:** Parish life, faith formation, stewardship, worship
- **OUTREACH:** Tending to the needs of our neighbors, near and far
- **EDUCATION:** Providing access to Catholic education through tuition assistance
- **VOCATIONS:** Seminarian and diaconate support

Through the development of endowments, and our grantmaking, we are able to recognize good works and ongoing ministry in all of these areas.

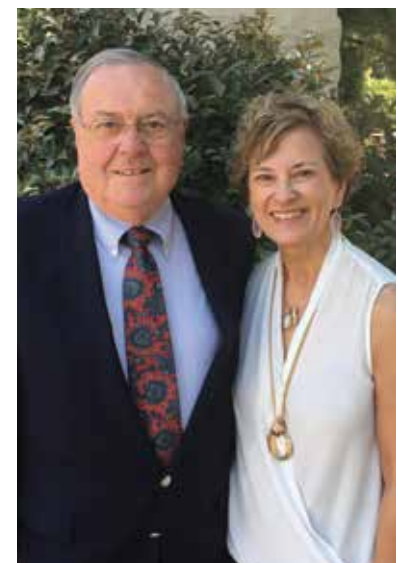
We seek to provide **FOREVER VALUE** to parishes and other Catholic organizations, encouraging generous members of our faith community to support endowments today, and help them grow with legacy gifts.

We hope you will enjoy stories of innovation in ministry, and take time to catch up with us.

Join us!

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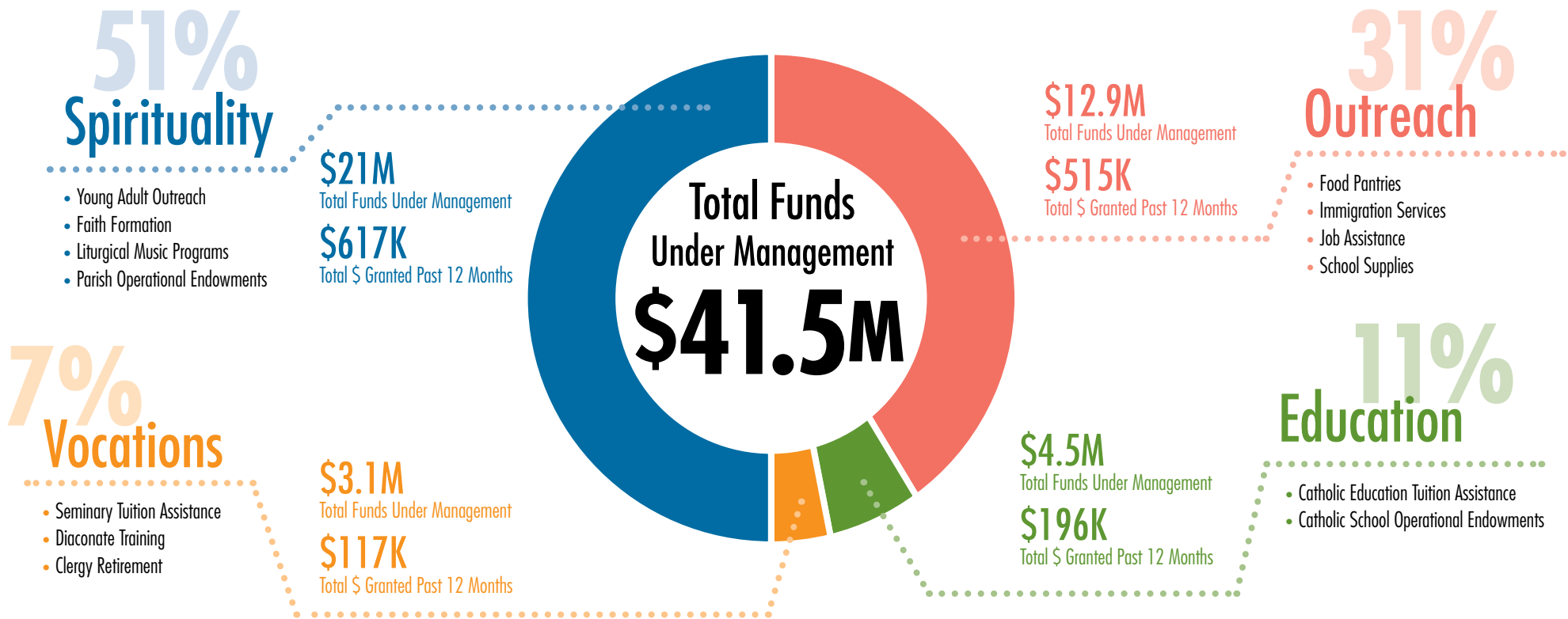


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Grants



51% Spirituality

- Young Adult Outreach
- Faith Formation
- Liturgical Music Programs
- Parish Operational Endowments

31% Outreach

- Food Pantries
- Immigration Services
- Job Assistance
- School Supplies

11% Education

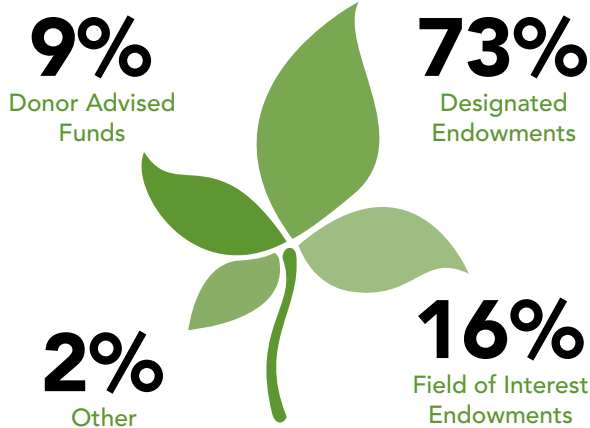
- Catholic Education Tuition Assistance
- Catholic School Operational Endowments

7% Vocations

- Seminary Tuition Assistance
- Diaconate Training
- Clergy Retirement

*NOTE: Examples of supported areas are not an exhaustive list.

Grants by Source



553
TOTAL GRANTS
SINCE INCEPTION

\$1.45
MILLION
TOTAL FUNDS GRANTED
IN LAST 12 MONTHS

\$21.3
MILLION
TOTAL FUNDS GRANTED
SINCE INCEPTION

Community Suppers

Every Monday evening, 75 people from around Morgan Hill gather at St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish to enjoy a meal and fellowship as part of the parish's Community Suppers Program. Volunteers prepare and serve the meal for parishioners and non-parishioners alike.

Martha's Kitchen of San Jose, a noteworthy grant recipient of the Catholic Community Foundation, delivers hot entrées, dessert, and beverages each week at no cost to the parish. The result of these partnerships: camaraderie and stewardship.

With a grant from the Foundation, this year's menu is guaranteed to include fresh fruit, salad and vegetables. Until now, St. Catherine's



program has relied on donations from the community and volunteers to provide a fresh alternative to canned veggies.

Carol Lillig, Program Director, knows the addition of fresh produce will be met with great enthusiasm. She added, "Saint Catherine of Alexandria Parish is committed to serving the needs of our community."

Our Community Suppers Program caters to the most basic of our neighbors' needs, but goes beyond simply feeding the hungry. It lays a foundation of fellowship that, with the addition of our Catholic faith, sets a framework

for our parish community. We are thankful to our partners who allow us to offer this meaningful program."

A Shepherd's Enduring Gift

Bishop McGrath often visits Catholic schools in the Diocese. During these visits he encourages the children to ask him questions. Questions differ, but inevitably some children ask.

"Why did you become a priest?"

The Bishop's answers vary from time to time, but always include gratitude. Gratitude, he believes, leads to generosity.

"Generosity stems from our own gratitude for the gifts that God has shared with us," he said.

Bishop McGrath came to San Jose in 1998 and quickly came to love this vibrant Catholic Community. When planning his legacy, he insisted on recognizing CHURCH in his estate plans, particularly the Diocese. His legacy plans include donations to endowments held by the Catholic Community Foundation. This way, he can help ensure that parishes and Catholic organizations have the financial strength to promote vibrant faith life through Word, Worship and Witness.

"Together we can provide Forever Value here in our valley, that the work of Christ may continue now and for many years to come," he said. **"I believe that the Catholic Community Foundation is the perfect partner in the fulfillment of Catholic legacy plans. I encourage others to plan a permanent gift to a parish, school, ministry or religious order."**



With the Foundation as steadfast steward of his gifts, the Bishop can fulfill his legacy plans in a simple and effective manner according to his wishes, forever.

He added, **"With an eye toward eternity, we can approach Legacy Planning as a way for our earthly work to continue, even after we become sharers with the saints in eternal life."**

The Foundation is grateful for Bishop McGrath's leadership and example.

Krackeler Family Endowment

In middle school, the Sisters of the Sacred Heart encouraged Joe Krackeler to have the heart of Jesus. Throughout his life this foundation of faith and outreach was reinforced. Today, he continues to volunteer his time, talent and treasure to support the Catholic ministries that have shaped this life.

"We are blessed to be part of St. Nicholas Parish," said Joe, an active member of the parish and school for 45 years. **"Our parish, Catholic high schools and universities, the religious orders and our involvement with The Order of Malta have been integral to the formation and growth of my family"**



Joe Krackeler and his four children, Jay, Charlie, Katie and Karen, stand outside St. Nicholas Parish Center dedicated to Joe's late wife, Margaret.

Joe turned to the Catholic Community Foundation for a way to acknowledge the ministries that formed him and his family. He chose to establish a Family Endowment.

A family endowment allows an individual or family to name beneficiaries in an endowment agreement with the Foundation. The endowment may be funded now, or at the death of the donor. The Foundation is named a beneficiary through a will or trust. When the donor dies, the gift to the Foundation is deposited in the Endowment. Every year FOREVER, the Foundation will grant from the family endowment to the named beneficiaries.

"There is great comfort in knowing the Catholic Community Foundation will be the steward of our gift," said Joe Krackeler. **"Together, we are able to give lasting support to the ministries that have meant so much to our family."**

\$1.5M DONATION FOR VOCATIONS

"We deeply appreciate vocations to the priesthood, and desired to provide meaningful support to formations. The capabilities of the Foundation allowed us to make a permanent gift in the form of a fully endowed scholarship. Now, our family will support one seminarian for the Diocese of San Jose FOREVER." - Anonymous



Seminarian Trip – Fifth grade students from Catholic schools in the Diocese of San Jose take part in a game of dodgeball on an annual field trip to St. Patrick's Seminary & University in Menlo Park. There they explore what it means to be called by God. The Seminarian Training Endowment at the Catholic Community Foundation grants scholarship funds in support of those who are called to the priesthood.



“Throughout my ministry I have been astounded by the ability of parish staff and parishioners to simultaneously lift me up and keep me focused on the Church’s mission to present the Gospel of Jesus by word and deed. In celebrating my 25th anniversary, I was humbled by the outpouring of thoughtfulness and love, and I am deeply grateful for the many contributions made to the Rev. Rick Rodoni fund at the Catholic Community Foundation. In partnership, we work to make God’s charity and love prevail.” – Fr. Rick

Parishioners at St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception in Los Gatos gathered together to present Fr. Rick Rodoni a gifted Donor Advised Fund in honor of his 25th anniversary of ordination. Fr. Rick will advise grants from the fund in support of the ministries dear to him.



Phil Anthony’s Donor Advised Fund



“For many years, I found it extremely convenient to use a commercial Donor Advised Fund to make charitable donations. Donating appreciated stock to my fund allows me to bypass capital gains taxes and conveniently advise grants to multiple charities that I support, instead of writing and mailing individual checks.

When I learned that I could partner with the Catholic Community Foundation, a local organization that supports my local interests, my decision to

move my Donor Advised Fund to their management was simple.” Phil Anthony is an active parishioner at St. Elizabeth Parish in Milpitas. He uses his Donor Advised Fund at the Foundation to support local Catholic causes as well as national charitable organizations.

Many donors like Phil choose to transfer a commercial Donor Advised Fund to the Catholic Community Foundation, where they are provided the additional benefit of knowing that the fund will not only provide a necessary tax benefit, but will also support the Foundation’s overarching mission.

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