

# Blessed are...

...the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

## Report to Donors 2016 Campaign



## Thank you for your support of ShareLife



As we conclude the Year of Mercy, we reflect on how our support of ShareLife has touched the most vulnerable in our communities. One of the core directions of our Pastoral Plan is Catholic Outreach in Justice and Love; through our support for ShareLife we are extending the hands of Christ to those in need, not only here in our archdiocese, but also across the world.

I am grateful for the contributions of time and talent, as well as the generosity of the parishioners, schools, and corporate community of the archdiocese toward ShareLife. By contributing over \$13.7 million toward the work of ShareLife agencies, we have helped to make an impact in the lives of those who need our help the most. As a result of the contributions made to our annual appeal, our agencies have, among other services, welcomed refugee families to our communities, helped single mothers to care for their newborn children, and provided counseling for families facing difficult situations. Over the past forty years, countless individuals have experienced the compassionate care offered by our agencies; as an archdiocese we continue to demonstrate our commitment to serving the needs of the greater community.

As you review our annual report, know that your support has touched the lives of the less fortunate through the work of ShareLife agencies. Please accept my gratitude for the generosity that you have shown toward ShareLife, and we look forward to your continued support as we fulfill our mission to live the Gospel by providing for those in need.

May our Lord bless you always.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

*† Thomas Card. Collins*

Thomas Cardinal Collins,  
Archbishop of Toronto

**“I am grateful for the contributions of time and talent, as well as the generosity of the parishioners, schools, and corporate community of the archdiocese toward ShareLife.”**

We are grateful for your generosity toward the work of our agencies. There are many stories of how ShareLife is making a difference, not only here in our communities, but also around the world. The youth receiving guidance as they transition from foster care to independent living, the deaf child being able to communicate with their family members with the support of Silent Voice, the young mother raising her child with the assistance of Rosalie Hall, the child in Africa receiving food through Canadian Food for Children – all of this made possible with your support!

Our 2016 campaign fell short of our goal, resulting in a deficit of over one million dollars. While we were able to meet our allocations through the use of reserves, we cannot sustain a shortfall of this nature moving forward. Our agencies continue to face increased demand for services, and at the same time are working to implement new initiatives, such as a pilot project in six parishes to support seniors living independently who require assistance in their daily lives. ShareLife supported agencies report that they are challenged by reductions in funding at various levels of government, yet they are asked to do more to serve those who come to them for help.

Over the past year, ShareLife and Catholic Charities staff and Board members have undertaken a planning process designed to increase support for ShareLife moving forward, including a review of our Mission, Vision, and Principles. We look forward to sharing this information with you in the months ahead!

Know that your generosity has improved the lives of many – for this we are grateful!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Arthur Peters".

Arthur Peters  
Executive Director



# Bringing the Hands of Christ to Those in Need

## What Your Generosity Helped to Make Possible Last Year

- Over 21,000 people were helped through Catholic Family Services and other ShareLife supported agencies to cope with stress and anxiety, and ensuring that people achieve their full potential. Walk-in clinics have given clients access to same day access to service without an appointment, reducing or eliminating the need for additional counseling sessions.
- Nearly 7,500 vulnerable and marginalized seniors accessed services to support daily living, community connection, physical and social activity, healthy lifestyles, income supports and emotional and spiritual fulfillment.
- Catholic Crosscultural Services, in partnership with other community agencies, provided a variety of culturally accessible services to over 2,800 immigrants and refugees. Over 640 newcomer women who experienced domestic violence were provided with appropriate support.
- Four Catholic young parents' centres offered an assortment of individual and group programs to over 1,250 young pregnant women, parenting youth and their children.
- Through partnerships and collaborative efforts to break barriers, Silent Voice provided programs in American Sign Language to over 750 deaf adults, youth, children and their families.
- More than 430 youth and adults with developmental disabilities were provided with community support that included arts, social, or recreational day activities as well as caregiver respite.
- Over 110 youth were provided with transitional housing and supports to help make a positive transition to independent living with life skills training, mentorship and after care services.

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## Newly supported programs in 2016

### In 2016, ShareLife committed \$775,000 in new funding for the following programs

- \$200,000 for St. Augustine's Seminary to support the education of future priests and deacons to serve our parish communities.
- \$136,100 in new ShareLife funding to Catholic Community Services of York Region and the Rose of Sharon.
- An additional \$72,000 for the Office for Refugees, to provide resources to support the increased number of families being welcomed to Canada.
- \$10,000 for Street Haven to provide for capital enhancements to one of their facilities.
- \$3,500 for publication resources for The deVeber Institute, enabling them to publish the book *It's Not That Simple: Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide Today*, made available to Canadian political and influential leaders. It will help Catholic hospitals, long-term care facilities, social workers and clergy.

### Increased funding of \$353,000 to Catholic Charities for the following programs:

#### Providing Shared Services

Working with St. Elizabeth Health Care, Catholic Charities has implemented a shared services initiative that has provided support to agencies in the areas of human resources (16 agencies) and financial services (five agencies). Now in its fourth year of activity, agencies participating in this initiative report that they are able to improve the quality, competency and accuracy of their work in these areas. Some Executive Directors reported on the impact of the human resources initiative to their agency:

“...It has enhanced our agency's competence. Before, I was way over my head, but trying to do my best, but now, I have expertise at my disposal and feel comfortable...”

“...There was definitely a huge savings. When I was doing the contracting, interviews, and dealing with human resources issues, it was a lot...”

#### Parish Outreach to Seniors

- This is a pilot project that responds to identified community needs of isolated and lonely seniors. Parish volunteers will be provided training and will work to assist clients by developing friendships, conducting home visits, making phone calls, and connecting seniors with additional support from community resources.
- 2 Catholic Family Services agencies and 6 parishes in Simcoe County and Peel Region are implementing this program starting in the fall of 2016.

#### Grief Reconciliation

The goal of this project proposal is to help young parents gain a better understanding of grief and its impact in their lives. A report confirming the applicability of the approach is expected soon and a proposal to launch a pilot implementation at Rosalie Hall is anticipated later this year.



# The Reality of Poverty Facing Canadians

## Poverty

**Poverty is the overarching condition that affects all of our ShareLife-supported agencies. The following marginalized groups are especially vulnerable people who live in poverty:**

### Women

- It's estimated that 21% of single Canadian mothers raise their children while living in poverty. That estimate in Toronto has increased to about 30%.
- Women who work full-time earn about 72 cents for every dollar earned by men.
- Women parenting on their own enter shelters at twice the rate of two-parent families.

### Persons living with disabilities

- People with mental and physical disabilities are twice as likely to live below the poverty line.
- Nearly 15% of people with disabilities live in poverty, 59% of which are women.
- The number of homeless individuals living with a disability or mental illness is as high as 45% of the overall homeless population.

### Elderly

- Nearly 15% of elderly single individuals live in poverty.
- Some 2 million seniors receiving a Guaranteed Income Supplement live on about \$17,000 per year.
- A basic standard of living in Canada costs between \$18,000 and \$20,000 per year for a single person.

### Precarious employment in Canada has increased by nearly 50% over the past two decades.

- Between 1980 and 2005 the average earnings among the least wealthy Canadians fell by 20%.
- Over 550,000 (20%) of children in Ontario live in poverty, according to the Ontario Report on Poverty. Toronto has the highest child poverty rate in Canada.
- More than 600,000 low-income people live in Toronto.

### Food Insecurity: *Not having enough food to eat or having to eat lower nutritional quality food*

- 4 million households in Canada, including 2.4 million adults and almost 1 million children, experienced food insecurity in 2013. 1 in 8 Canadian households struggle to put food on the table.
- 358,963 Ontarians visited food banks in March 2015.
- Food bank usage across Canada is 26% higher now than it was in 2008.

### How poverty can affect the physical and mental wellbeing of individuals

- 1 in 10 Canadians cannot afford to fill their medical prescriptions. Canada is the only industrialized country with a universal healthcare system with no national pharmacare policy.
- It has been estimated that \$1 invested in the early years of a child's life can save up to \$9 in future spending in the healthcare system.
- Food insufficient households were 80% more likely to report having diabetes, 60% more likely to report high blood pressure, and 70% more likely to report food allergies.



# The Reality of Poverty Facing Canadians



## Mental Health

ShareLife funded agencies have identified a need to deal with the mounting mental health problems among the people they serve. Many agencies report that they have observed an alarming increase in the number of clients with mental health issues, and that this issue is seen as an emerging need in the community as a whole. Against this backdrop of growing mental health issues, agencies are eager to move forward to meet this challenge.

### ShareLife funded agencies report the following:

- Vita Centre reported an increase in mental health-related problems such as addictions, violence and stigmatization.
- St. Michael's Homes said that there were critical challenges in working with individuals with addictions and higher rates of relapse.

- Rose of Sharon noted that young mothers they served have experienced trauma such as childhood abuse and neglect, as well as witnessing and experiencing violence.
- Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County observed that a significant number of young people that they serve have mental health or addictions issues.
- Rose of Durham reports that more clients are coming to them with diagnosed mental health issues.
- Catholic Family Services of Durham described seeing a dramatic increase in the number of children with anxiety issues.

## Sustainable Funding

ShareLife funded agencies are always responding to on-going and emerging needs. Programs put in place must be continued if they are to meet the needs of the community and the specific needs of the people who turn to them for help and support.

Sustainable funding to address on-going needs and to meet the new, emerging needs continues to be an issue that our agencies face. The lack of sustainable funding hinders their ability to respond to the needs that affect the individuals, families, and communities they serve, and adversely affects their agency and their staff. Here are some of the agency comments on the challenge of not receiving sustainable funding:

“The agency's funding was cut this past year, and has been cut again for this upcoming year. Increasingly there appears to be a trend of unreliability in securing core funding raised through fundraising efforts by larger fundraising bodies, and by the agency itself.

“Due to an antiquated funding formula, Ontario received a \$2M reduction in funding. In turn, our agency received a \$210,000 reduction in our funding in Toronto. As a result, there have been staff layoffs in the face of growing demand for services. This cutback is piled onto five years of cutbacks and as a result, staffing and direct services bear the brunt of the cuts.”

“Our agency serves the aging francophone population across the GTA. Our clients are scattered over a vast geography and gradually experience more and more challenges to access adapted and affordable transportation. As our client's needs become more and more complex, we realize that the one size fits all model needs to be revised and rethought to optimize capacity while rationalizing the use of fewer and fewer resources.”

“Challenges tend to focus on the availability of funding to address emerging needs (i.e., capital costs, one-time expenses, staff compensation) and the complex needs of very high-risk youth. While government is working to prepare a new funding formula, very little is known regarding the outcomes of these initiatives. Concern exists regarding the resources available in the future.”

“Our agency needs to grow to meet the increasing demand for services; however, funding has not increased to meet that need. We need to engage American Sign Language instructors in meaningful employment to meet the needs of families and add direct client services staff to address the increase in clients served in Deaf Adult programming and Deaf youth and family programming. Government funding is not keeping pace or is being reduced.”

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## Catholic Family Service Agencies

The five ShareLife supported Catholic Family Services (CFS) agencies last year assisted individuals, couples and families coping with stress and anxiety ranging from emotional, psychological, social, and financial problems. In addition, the CFS agencies provided intensive therapy and support services to survivors of abuse and domestic violence, ensuring that people begin their path to recovery. While the counseling provided is focused on marital and family relationships, a significant amount of the agencies' effort is connected with and directed to address mental health and addiction issues. Catholic Family Service agencies have developed and provided short-term, walk-in, and group counseling to address these needs. Last year, over 19,000 people were helped through the five Catholic Family Service Agencies.

Through group counseling (i.e. Sistering/Community Wellness Program, Young Parents, Men's Program), clients who experienced partner abuse, childhood abuse, or other forms of oppression, are supported to heal from their experiences of trauma. Several agencies report how women who have experienced abuse and trauma are assisted by deepening personal and spiritual growth through the Sistering mentoring program. Clients in the Men's Program have experienced similar stories of hope, as Rob from Catholic Family Services of Simcoe shares:

## Giving Hope to Others

Having experienced childhood sexual abuse, Rob originally sought counseling treatment for resulting depression at a local clinic. Since the death of his wife, his increased drinking, drug addiction, suicidal thoughts, depression and financial loss had placed an immense strain on his relationship with his mother and two sons. As Rob's life continued on a downward spiral, he was urged to get in touch with Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County in order to better meet his needs.

Rob showed up at the CFS Simcoe walk-in clinic in Barrie and received immediate attention. After several counseling sessions, he was able to understand and link the effects of his depression from the early childhood sexual trauma and received compassionate followup counseling and care. "My life began to slowly change for the better," says Rob, "Once I received and continued treatment from CFS Simcoe, my family relationships improved substantially over the past year." He feels a peace and serenity and his life is anchored with joy and happiness that he now passes on to others. "Giving hope and saving lives is what this is all about," shares Rob, "I am very grateful to ShareLife for the funding they provide for the counseling staff here at Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County."



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## Agencies Serving Children and Youth

According to the Toronto Star, hundreds of young people call Toronto's streets home every night. While the paths that lead them there may differ, their stories share common themes: broken homes, addictions, abusive parents and struggles with trauma. On a given night, 6,000 people across Canada between 16 and 24 have nowhere to call home. This represents 20 per cent of the total homeless population. In Toronto, estimates of homeless youth range from 900 to 2,000 nightly.

ShareLife supported Sancta Maria House has provided services to young women for the past 40 years and transformed hundreds of lives. 90% of their clients stayed for over a year and left happier, more confident, and with a greater sense of self-worth and approximately 80% of them reported improved relationships with their families.

In addition, with your assistance, Camp Ozanam (St. Vincent de Paul) offers a free annual summer camping experience to 600 boys from families who are experiencing financial or domestic hardship, thereby enriching their lives and those of their families.

The ShareLife-supported Rights of Passage program at Covenant House have been active in making a positive difference in the lives of homeless youth on the streets of Toronto. Covenant House reported that this program has successfully matched 75% of youth with mentors. These youth have also made progress in strengthening their life skills, family relationships, overall resiliency, getting them ready for independent living.

The ShareLife funded Youth In Transition program, (administered by Covenant House), helps youth prepare to move from foster care to independent living.

## Covenant House Was There to Help

Thirty years later, ShareLife-funded Covenant House still holds a special place in Tim's heart. He grew up in a stable family north of Toronto. At the age of 18, Tim fell in with the wrong crowd, abused alcohol and headed down a path that caused friction in his once happy home. His family didn't know how to help him, and he wasn't ready to change. In February 1985, Tim left home and took a bus to Toronto. One bitter winter evening when he had nowhere to go in the city, Tim found Covenant House. He was immediately given a shower and treated for scabies. "For the first time since leaving home, I felt safe," he said. "I never felt judged. I realized this was the place where I'd be given a chance." With support from his youth worker, Tim settled in to the house's routine quite well and even got a part-time job at a pizza parlour. Eventually, Tim returned home, and, together with his family, tried to make it work. This included attending an Alcoholics Anonymous program and moving on with his life.

Today, Tim is married to his high school sweetheart, is the proud father of seven children ranging in age from three to 23, and owns his own business. When asked what he would tell young people who are having a hard time, Tim answered, "If you are struggling, there are people who want to help. Looking back, I might not be alive. Fortunately, I found help. Thanks to Covenant House, I'm here today."



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the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:3

## Agencies Serving Immigrants, Refugees and International Development

ShareLife-supported International agencies like Canadian Food For Children and Development and Peace report that global poverty is the number one issue facing their organizations. Global poverty provides a breeding ground for many kinds of social ills including human rights injustices, unemployment, refugee resettlement delays, lack of food security, safe water, as well as domestic violence and major health issues due to untreated diseases. Your support of these ShareLife-supported agencies helps make a difference in breaking the cycle of poverty in the developing countries where they work.

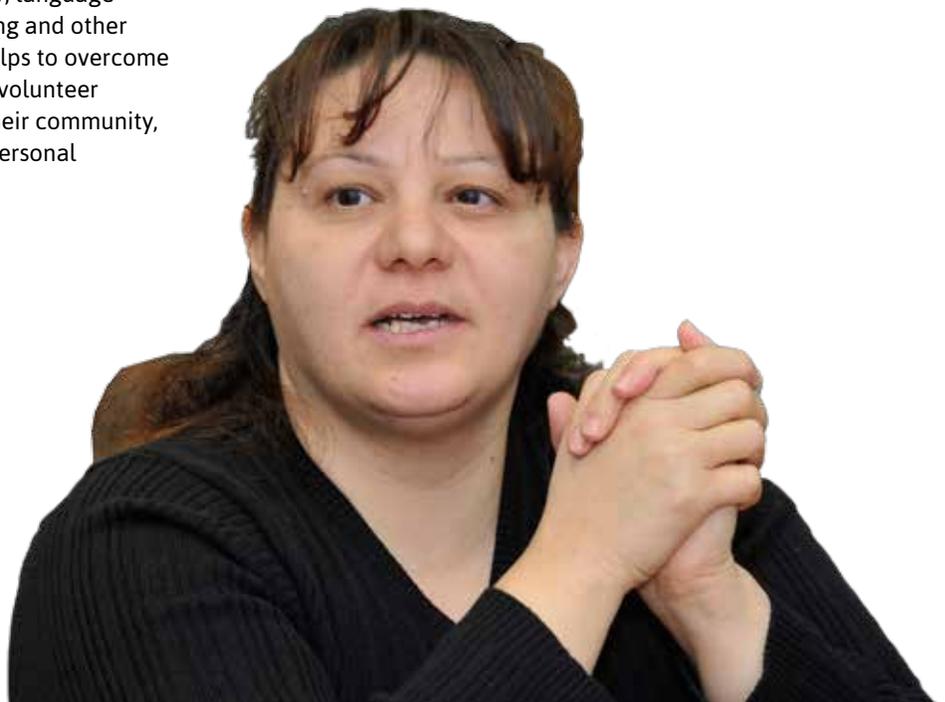
ShareLife-funded Catholic Cross-Cultural Services (CCS) and Office for Refugees have primarily focused on serving newcomers in the area of settlement and integration. Refugee claimants and undocumented immigrants usually face traumatic situations in their home country and are very isolated in Canada because of their precarious status. ShareLife funding helps to serve people who have been living here for over five years and are often either senior citizens or at-home parents who have never fully settled into Canada. CCS also offers a program called Women's Support Services (WSS), which is linguistically and culturally appropriate crisis support to newcomer women who experience domestic violence. The agency also provides support to immigrant children and seniors experiencing domestic abuse.

The Office for Refugees reports that major issues facing newcomers are affordable housing, food security, language barriers, transportation, unemployment, parenting and other settlement concerns. The Office For Refugees helps to overcome these barriers by assisting newcomers to access volunteer opportunities as a way to build connections in their community, gain valuable workplace experience and build personal networks.

### Living In Freedom Again

Leila was newly married and pregnant in her first trimester. Her life changed the day that ISIS blocked off all of the bridges in Mosul where she was working as a dentist. They were targeted by ISIS as Christians and had to leave Iraq as soon as possible, so they made the arrangements to travel to Jordan.

Leila and her husband tried to find safety in Jordan but she did not feel welcomed or safe as a Christian refugee with no working permit. They sought protection with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and eventually submitted paperwork with the Office for Refugees, a ShareLife funded agency. Not long after, they received an approval notice from the Office for Refugees, and soon after were travelling to Canada to begin life in their new home. Fortunately, Leila and her husband were fluent in English and started working shortly after arriving on Canadian soil. Without the help and work of the Office for Refugees, which accepted submissions from over 1,340 families last year, Leila's family may have never had a chance of living a safe life. They no longer have to fear for their lives and the life of their daughter because of their religion and can live safely and continue to help others who are currently in a similar situation.



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the peacemakers, for they will be called the children of God.

*Matthew 5:9*



## Agencies Serving People With Special Needs

ShareLife-funded agencies focusing on special needs include agencies like Silent Voice, which provides services in an American Sign Language (ASL) environment to deaf adults, youth and children. As well, Silent Voice provides deaf parenting programs, free tax clinics for low income families, financial literacy education and settlement services for deaf newcomers to Canada. Children's programs include summer sign language camp, family communication programs, youth sports, recreation and leadership programs helping to improve confidence and self-esteem among deaf children.

Since 1976 Our Place Community of Hope in Toronto has provided an effective ministry of hospitality and presence to adults experiencing mental health issues. "We are a community which seeks to include all people by affirming and empowering them toward personal and communal responsibility," says Executive Director, David Collins, "We are very grateful to ShareLife for their vital support to make this ministry a reality".

Mary Centre and St. Bernadette Family Resource Centre together helped 440 developmentally challenged adults last year with integrated support services. Through the Respite Care Program at Mary Centre, families and caregivers experienced reduced stress associated with caregiving and improved their physical and emotional health. The Respite Care Program also prevented caregiver exhaustion and family breakdown or crisis. Through St. Jude's Academy, St. Bernadette provides caring educational programs to individuals with special needs, such as Autism, Down Syndrome, and Cerebral Palsy. Most of these special needs clients begin as withdrawn, introverted individuals with limited speech capabilities. Angie Carboni, Executive Director, St Bernadette's Family Resource Centre, says, "Through the compassionate care they receive from the educational staff, they often grow into confident and happy individuals with the potential to develop into very capable young adults."

### Enjoying Her New Life

Lisa was born with many physical anomalies and significant developmental challenges. She was unable to swallow and was fed through a naso gastric tube during her first five years. After undergoing several surgeries at the Hospital for Sick Children to address her physical problems, it became clear that her most challenging ongoing issues would be developmental. When her formal school years ended, a friend suggested the program at St. Bernadette Family Resource Centre, a ShareLife-supported agency. Her parents were impressed by the warm, happy atmosphere and by the busy, involved young people who attend. As Lisa settled into the program, she reacted well to the structure and enjoyed the activities which were adapted to her needs and abilities. The compassionate staff took the time to support her attempts to communicate and be independent, and encouraged her to do as much as possible for herself. The staff also helped her to feel secure, especially during the illness and death of her father and her recovery from a cracked kneebone. After healing, she required therapy and had to learn to walk again, where, again, the staff was caring, patient and encouraging. Although Lisa is limited in many ways, she is cheerful and confident that she is truly valued and loved by everyone at St. Bernadette's.



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## Agencies Serving the Elderly

ShareLife-supported agencies that serve seniors have goals that are aligned with some of the goals of the federal government. For instance, the goal of our agencies is to support seniors to live their lives to the fullest so that they are able to enjoy the best possible quality of life in a manner that recognizes, responds to and promotes each person as an individual. Last year, four ShareLife-supported agencies provided loving care and support for nearly 7,500 seniors across the GTA.

These vulnerable and marginalized seniors had access to support services that developed strong interaction and trusting relationships with community members. They became physically active with access to social activities, health services and income supports. Many seniors also experienced care that helped to provide emotional and spiritual fulfillment.

## A Labour of Love

Patricia loved her mother so much that it was hard for her to watch her become older, frailer, a little sadder. Suzanne, a dynamic and capable woman of 83, began to face some disconcerting signs of cognitive loss. It started with an inability to keep track of time and an annoying habit of misplacing items that she needed or relied on, such as her glasses, the TV remote and her keys. These annoyances caused Suzanne to become agitated and bad-tempered, and to call Patricia many times a day. Moreover, Suzanne seemed bored and listless, not maintaining regular sleeping patterns. This restlessness caused Suzanne to seek out projects to do like cleaning her drawers out that would only lead to further aggravation for both mother and daughter. Sometimes the projects were even dangerous, such as pulling things down from high shelves.

Patricia who was becoming exasperated, stressed and tired, contacted Centres d'Accueil Héritage (CaH) to ask for advice as to what she could do to make the situation better and to prepare for the future. The Case Manager at CaH recommended that Patricia suggest to her mother to begin attending the Adult Day Program at CaH. Suzanne accepted and began to really look forward to her days at the Program. It became a struggle for Patricia to drive her there and back and because of the dementia or cognitive loss, as Suzanne was not eligible for Wheel-Trans. Fortunately, the Case Manager offered to provide transportation through the agency, and Suzanne has been attending and enjoying the Adult Day program at CaH for four years.





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## Agencies Serving Single and Teen Parents

Four Catholic young parents' centres last year offered an array of individual and group programs to influence positive outcomes in the lives of over 1,270 young pregnant women, parenting youth and their children. ShareLife-supported agencies Rosalie Hall in Scarborough, Rose of Durham Young Parents Support Service in Oshawa, Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers in Newmarket and Vita Centre in Mississauga all provide the necessary counseling and support for education, skills development, employment services training and food for young parents in need of these resources. This access to the right resources will help them become the best possible parents and ultimately contribute towards the best outcomes for their family.

## Renewed Hope For the Future

At the tender age of 17 and in her final year of high school, Arielle found that she was pregnant. She was frightened and had no idea what would happen next; her mother then asked her to move out to live with a father she barely knew. Her partner deserted her and many of her friends stigmatized and withdrew from her for being pregnant. Alone, isolated and feeling both emotionally and physically exhausted, Arielle was determined to find a positive solution to help her and the child growing inside her. Arielle's life took a major turn the moment she came to Vita Centre; she was amazed at how the counsellor, a complete stranger, listened to and accepted her. In addition to accessing counseling services and the P.A.C.E. (Parenting And Catholic Education) program to complete her high school diploma, she found support from other girls her age who were also pregnant or parenting. After three months, Arielle began to participate in other Vita Centre's programs, including Growing As Parents (G.A.P.) and Supper Connection. Her counsellor also encouraged her to use the Care Closet supplies to prepare for the birth of her child.

In just three short months after being referred to Vita Centre, she had found belonging, acceptance, confidence and hope. Arielle was able to move from a life of fear and insecurity to a life filled with renewed hope and say, "Thank you isn't enough. At ShareLife, you have no idea how much you are impacting people's lives. Those who support Vita Centre are giving hope back to pregnant and parenting youth like me."



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Matthew 5:7

## Clergy Vocations

ShareLife-supported St. Augustine's Seminary is the Major Seminary of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Toronto, providing for the education of seminarians and candidates for the diaconate program. This preparation for diocesan ministerial leadership embraces and promotes spiritual and human formation, as well as theological education and field training. ShareLife increased annual funding for St. Augustine's Seminary by \$200,000 to \$1.7 million this year for broader education and field training.

In 1999, His Eminence, Aloysius Cardinal Ambrozic, founded Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary (RMMS) for the Archdiocese of Toronto which shares the premises of St. Augustine's Seminary.

In 2016, ShareLife provided \$75,000 toward the education of seminarians at RMMS, as well as \$100,000 to the Office of Vocations to support their work.

“As a Pastor, parishioners often come to me seeking advice on how to deal with family or difficult issues they encounter in their daily lives. I am grateful that we have a network of Catholic agencies that I can refer our parishioners to for help. It is comforting for me to know that they can receive assistance from an agency that adheres to our Catholic values and beliefs. Our support helps to make this possible, and I remind our parishioners of this when our annual ShareLife appeal takes place.”

*Father Michael Corcione*

“In serving the archdiocese as a Permanent Deacon, I have come to appreciate all that went into our formation at St. Augustine's seminary and how the support from ShareLife helped to make it all possible. The formation program prepared me very well to grow in my relationship with Christ, the Church and with Christ's people. In being called to serve as a Permanent Deacon I have experienced firsthand the needs of the people, and how so many have been served by our Catholic agencies, which are supported by ShareLife. I know our support goes directly to the people most in need in our diocese.”

*Deacon Steven Pitre*



# Recognition of Corporate and Foundation Donors

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*Thank you also to those donors that chose to remain anonymous.*

## Golf Tournament

The 21st annual ShareLife Corporate Golf Tournament was held on June 6th at Markland Wood Golf Club in Etobicoke. Our annual fundraising event featured golf, prizes, dinner, and a silent auction. We also heard an inspiring keynote address from Heidi Lee, Sancta Maria House Associate Director and Katherine, a client from the program. The event was a fun day for all and a success for the agencies we support, as we realized nearly \$67,000 in net proceeds. We want to extend our appreciation to all who attended the tournament as well as to those on the volunteer committee who helped organize the event. We are looking forward to our next tournament on June 5, 2017 at the same location.

**We would like to thank Print Three (York Mills Centre) and Advance Printing, our two Presenting Sponsors.** We would also like to thank the following lead corporate sponsors who generously supported the tournament::

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## Mass of Thanksgiving

In 2015, ShareLife recognized The McGrath Family as the recipients of the Bishop Michael Power Award and Sarah Russell as the recipient of the Mother Delphine award for their outstanding commitment and support of ShareLife.

# 2016 Agency Campaign Allocations



## Family Services **\$3,886,885**

<b>Catholic Family Services of Durham</b> www.cfsdurham.com (905) 725-3513 (Oshawa)   (905) 428-1984 (Ajax) (905) 985-4221 (Port Perry)	<b>\$440,197</b>
<b>Catholic Family Services of Peel-Dufferin</b> www.cfspd.com (905) 450-1608 (Brampton)   (905) 897-1644 (Mississauga)	<b>\$576,224</b>
<b>Catholic Family Services of Simcoe County</b> www.cfssc.ca (705) 726-2503 (Barrie)   (705) 526-9397 (Midland)	<b>\$667,447</b>
<b>Catholic Family Services of Toronto</b> www.cfstoronto.com   (416) 921-1163	<b>\$1,603,213</b>
<b>Catholic Community Services of York Region</b> www.ccsyr.org   (905) 770-7040	<b>\$485,788</b>
<b>FertilityCare Toronto</b> www.fertilitycare.ca   (416) 465-2868	<b>\$61,200</b>
<b>Natural Family Planning Association</b> www.naturalfamilyplanning.ca/toronto   (416) 481-5465	<b>\$52,816</b>

## Children and Youth **\$1,080,342**

<b>Camp Ozanam (St. Vincent de Paul)</b> www.svdptoronto.org   (416) 364-5577	<b>\$175,000</b>
<b>Covenant House</b> www.covenanthouse.ca   (416) 598-4898	<b>\$500,000</b>
<b>Office of Catholic Youth</b> www.ocytoronto.org   (416) 599-7676	<b>\$170,000</b>
<b>Sancta Maria House</b> www.pointinc.org/sancta-maria-house   (416) 925-7333	<b>\$40,142</b>
<b>Youth-In-Transition</b> (416) 934-3401	<b>\$195,200</b>

## People with Special Needs **\$1,042,407**

<b>Mary Centre of the Archdiocese of Toronto</b> www.marycentre.com (416) 630-5533 (Toronto)   (905) 866-6300 (Brampton)	<b>\$157,100</b>
<b>Our Place Community of Hope</b> www.ourplacecommunityofhope.com (416) 598-2919	<b>\$263,609</b>
<b>Saint Elizabeth Health Care</b> www.saintelizabeth.com   (905) 940-9655	<b>\$45,000</b>
<b>Silent Voice Canada Inc.</b> www.silentvoice.ca (416) 463-1104 (Voice)   (416) 463-3928 (TTY)	<b>\$230,126</b>
<b>St. Bernadette's Family Resource Centre</b> www.stbernadettesfrc.org   (416) 654-9810	<b>\$40,000</b>
<b>St. Michael's Homes / Matt Talbot Houses</b> www.stmichaelshomes.org   (416) 926-8267	<b>\$186,572</b>
<b>Street Haven at the Crossroads</b> www.streethaven.com   (416) 967-6060	<b>\$120,000</b>

## Immigrants and Refugees **\$492,667**

<b>Catholic Cross-Cultural Services</b> www.cathcrosscultural.org   (416) 757-7010	<b>\$190,267</b>
<b>Office for Refugees</b> www.archtoronto.org/refugee   (416) 645-0827	<b>\$302,400</b>

## The Elderly **\$833,347**

<b>Centres d'Accueil Héritage</b> www.caheritage.org   (416) 365-3350	<b>\$98,347</b>
<b>LA Centre for Active Living</b> www.loyolaarrupecentre.com   (416) 452-4875	<b>\$55,000</b>
<b>Providence Healthcare</b> www.providence.on.ca   (416) 285-3666	<b>\$600,000</b>
<b>Society of Sharing</b> www.societyofsharing.org   (416) 413-0380	<b>\$80,000</b>

## Single and Teen Parents **\$741,291**

<b>Rosalie Hall</b> www.rosaliehall.com   (416) 438-6880	<b>\$81,719</b>
<b>Rose of Durham Young Parents Support Services</b> www.roseofdurham.com (905) 432-3622 (Oshawa)   (289) 385-1160 (Ajax)	<b>\$269,591</b>
<b>Rose of Sharon Services for Young Mothers</b> www.therose.ca   (905) 853-5514	<b>\$269,981</b>
<b>Vita Centre</b> www.vitamanor.org   (905) 502-7933	<b>\$120,000</b>

## Education of Clergy **\$1,875,000**

<b>St. Augustine's Seminary</b> www.staugustines.on.ca   (416) 261-7207	<b>\$1,700,000</b>
<b>Serra House</b> (416) 968-0997	<b>\$100,000</b>
<b>Redemptoris Mater Seminary</b> (416) 264-9466	<b>\$75,000</b>

## International Development and Missions **\$1,500,000**

<b>Canadian Catholic Organization for Development &amp; Peace</b> www.devp.org   (416) 922-1592	<b>\$800,000</b>
<b>Pastoral Mission Fund</b> (416) 934-0606 ext. 567	<b>\$700,000</b>

## Agency Support, Advocacy and Volunteer Development **\$878,862**

<b>Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Toronto</b> www.catholiccharitiestor.org   (416) 934-3401	<b>\$878,862</b>
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## Special Projects **\$253,000**

Special Project funding was directed to our Parish Outreach to Seniors pilot project, Grief Reconciliation for Young Mothers pilot project and Shared Services between agencies for financial management, Human Resources and Information Technology.

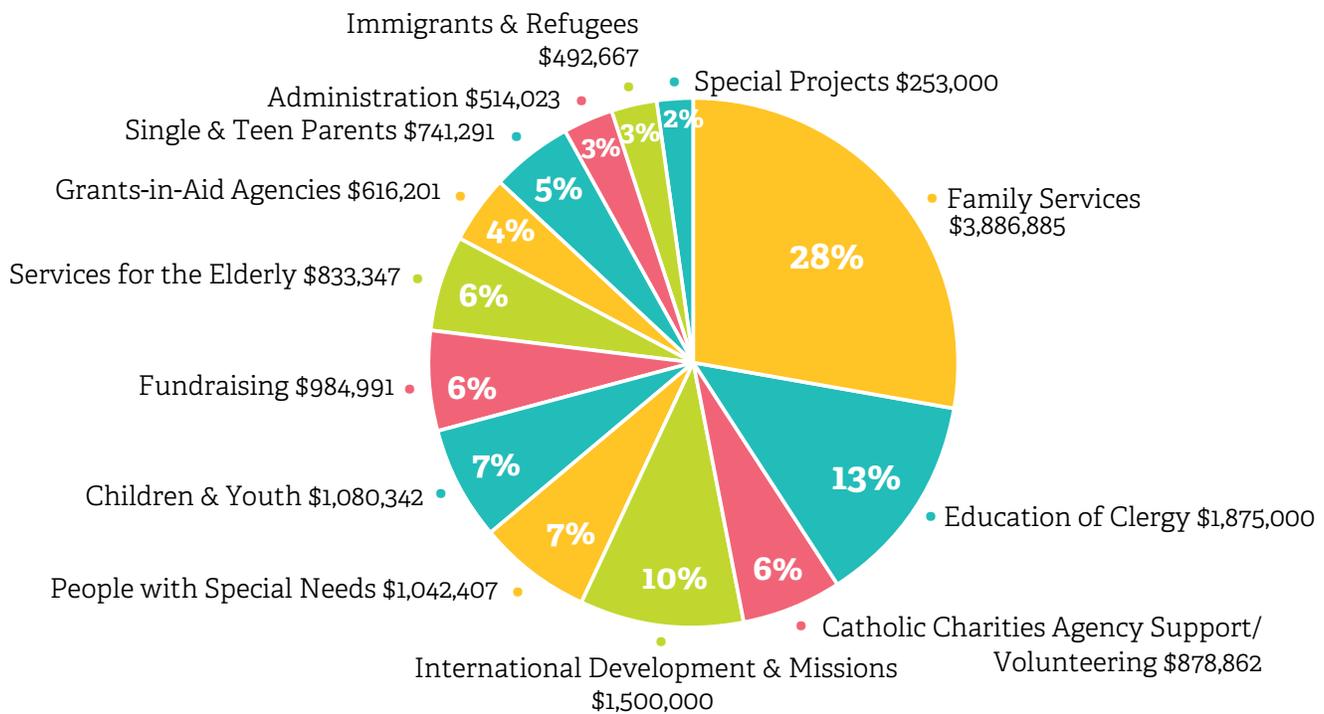
## Grants-in-aid Agencies **\$616,201**

<b>The deVeber Institute</b>	<b>\$8,500</b>
<b>Birthright International</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>
<b>Right to Life Association of Toronto</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>
<b>New Beginnings</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>
<b>Canadian Food for Children</b>	<b>\$85,000</b>
<b>Good Shepherd Refuge</b>	<b>\$95,000</b>
<b>Hospital Chaplaincy</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>
<b>Special grants allocated by Catholic Charities</b>	<b>\$117,701*</b>

\* Catholic Charities, with the support of ShareLife, provided additional community grants to aid the hungry, the homeless, the dying, refugees and immigrants, children living in poverty, and prison ministry through community reintegration programs.

# Allocations and Campaign Results

## ShareLife 2016 Allocations



### Results of the 2016

**ShareLife Parish Campaign** **\$12,065,419**

Results of the 2016 ShareLife Schools Campaign  
(included in the ShareLife Parish Campaign results) **\$461,397**

### Results of the 2016

**ShareLife Corporate Campaign** **\$838,870**

Companies	\$655,450
Patrons*	\$42,500
Foundations	\$36,000
Mail Appeals	\$6,050
Corporate Special Events	\$98,870

Results of the 2016 Employee Campaigns for ShareLife **\$217,231**

(funds received from various employee campaigns where employee donations are directed to ShareLife)

Results of the 2016 ShareLife Schools Employee Campaign **\$141,825**

Miscellaneous amounts transferred to the 2016 ShareLife Campaign including In Memoriam and Institutions **\$87,125**

**Investment Income** **\$175,743**

Amount transferred from Legacy for Life

**Endowment Fund to 2016 ShareLife Campaign** **\$168,427**

\* Note: Patrons are those not aligned with a parish. All other Patrons are included in the Parish Campaign total.

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