

Catholic Charities Support from the Diocesan Ministries Appeal

- Unlike most diocesan Catholic Charities programs, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of New Ulm is a program of the diocese and not a separate non-profit corporation. As such, the services offered by Catholic Charities are primarily supported by the Diocesan Ministries Appeal; with remaining revenue coming from other designated contributions, grants, insurance reimbursements and fees for services.
- Catholic Charities services were initiated in 2007 following the first Diocesan Ministries Appeal, which identified Catholic Charities counseling and related services as a primary beneficiary and a principal rationale for the creation of the DMA. Since that time, the support the diocese provides for the core Catholic Charities services has been consistently included in the DMA's promotional materials, in related articles shared in the Prairie Catholic and events the DMA involves.
- Catholic Charities core services that are primarily funded by the Diocesan Ministries Appeal include individual, marriage and family counseling, transition and grief counseling, pregnancy counseling, Project Rachel and related respect life services, and crisis response in the wake of a tragedy or natural disaster. Diocesan Ministries Appeal funds also are used to support immigration legal services in partnership with Mid Minnesota Legal Aid.
- Simply stated, Catholic Charities of the Diocese of New Ulm would not have been created in 2007 and it would not be able to serve the 1,200 hundred or more individuals or families we annually assist, without the support of the Diocesan Ministries Appeal.