

CALIFORNIA'S LARGEST NETWORK OF SOCIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS

Catholic Charities of California represents the twelve Local Catholic Charities Organizations in California.

Every year, these organizations provide more than 1.5 million professional social services to Californians who need help and hope. Catholic Charities of California is the single point of access to this statewide network.



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CATHOLIC CHARITIES DIOCESE OF STOCKTON

Going Above and Beyond



For over 70 years, Catholic Charities Diocese of Stockton (CCST) has provided services in the Central Valley and Mother Lode Counties of San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Calaveras, Tuolumne, Alpine, and Mono. Over the years, CCST has built a strong network of partnerships within these communities, including collaborations with churches, schools, other community-based organizations, and local government agencies. CCST facilitates services to vulnerable and low-income people of all ages, religions, and races. CCST's programs serve seniors, homeless Veterans, at-risk youth, uninsured and under-insured, immigrants, and families suffering from food insecurity.

Learn More at: www.ccstockton.org

FAST FACTS

- Served 22,382 unduplicated clients in 2016
- Provided 4,292 Legal Immigration Services to those in need

Catholic Charities Diocese of Stockton (CCST) provides direct services and advocacy for its clients, striving to go "above and beyond" to help clients re-gain long-term health, safety, and stability. In doing this work, CCST strives to uphold the dignity of every person assisted.

Recently, CCST assisted a young woman named Margarita. Margarita first came to CCST's Stockton office to bring her Grandmother to one of CCST's free monthly citizenship workshops. While Margarita sat waiting for her Grandmother, with her 2 year old son, CCST staff asked if she needed any other assistance for herself and her family. They began a conversation and Margarita felt comfortable sharing that even though she had permanent legal resident status and wished to become a citizen, she didn't think she could because of her circumstances. She was 19 years old and a relative who had been sponsoring her had decided not to continue sponsoring her once she turned 21. CCST staff let her know that she could apply from age 18 and did not need a sponsor. Margarita had been living in helplessness and fear but after receiving this information she cried tears of astonishment and relief.

With the assistance of the CCST Immigration Legal Services Program, Margarita qualified for a fee waiver and her application expenses were fully covered. CCST proudly provides this kind of education and assistance every day. Margarita is now attending Junior College to become an Emergency Medical Technician and continue to build a good life for her young family.

Note: Names and photos have been changed to protect confidentiality.



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UPDATE ON STATEWIDE ACTIVITIES

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF CALIFORNIA HAS BEEN AWARDED ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO ASSIST UNDOCUMENTED YOUTH:

Catholic Charities of California (CCC) has been awarded \$200,000 in additional funds to conduct Medi-Cal Outreach & Enrollment Assistance to undocumented youth and members of mixed-immigration-status households. The program is funded by a grant from The California Wellness Foundation (Cal Wellness). Created in 1992 as a private independent foundation, Cal Wellness' mission is to improve the health of the people of California by making grants for health promotion, wellness education and disease prevention.

These funds augment CCC's existing three-year grant from Cal Wellness, which began on January 1, 2016, to provide Medi-Cal outreach and enrollment assistance to undocumented youth. The project period for this additional funding starts on May 1, 2017.

Additional funds from Cal Wellness will allow Local Catholic Charities Organizations to outreach to at least 7,000 individuals and assist 740 eligible undocumented youth and other eligible individuals to apply for Medi-Cal coverage over the next 20 months. Undocumented youth became eligible to enrollment in Medi-Cal on May 1, 2016, under a new State law.

Local Catholic Charities Organizations participating in the original grant and augmentation include: Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Inc.; Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Santa Rosa; Catholic Charities of Orange County; Catholic Charities Diocese of Monterey; Catholic Charities Diocese of Stockton; Catholic Charities of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties, and Catholic Charities Diocese of San Diego.



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POVERTY STATEMENT

6.3 Million Californians live in poverty.
14 Percent have been helped by Catholic Charities.

In 2015, Local Catholic Charities delivered over 1.5 million services to California's needy, including:

- 761,945 Food Assistance Services
- 44,113 Clothing Assists
- 20,769 Counseling Services
- 17,183 Healthcare Assists
- 20,519 Housing and Shelter Assists
- 49,631 Refugee & Immigrant Services
- 120,780 Transportation Assists
- 17,173 Utility Payment Assists

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Data Source: 2015 Poverty and Median Household Income Estimates - Counties, States, and National and Catholic Charities USA Annual Survey 2016



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