In March, Catholic Charities said goodbye to a dear friend, former Soup Kitchen van driver Bill Rau. Bill was a hard worker, with a warm personality and a friendly smile for everyone. He was an ambassador for Catholic Charities in the community, driving hundreds of miles each week to collect donations, and in his five years with us, he rarely took a vacation. Even on his days off, he lived our mission of providing help and creating hope for those in need. Many don’t know that Bill worked to start a garden at his apartment complex, and arranged for all the produce to be donated to Catholic Charities’ three soup kitchens. When he saw furniture near the dumpster that was still in good condition, he couldn’t bear to leave it behind. Bill would load it in the van and bring it to Catholic Charities, so it could be given to someone in need. He was a kind-hearted man who was always thinking of others.

Our thoughts and prayers go out to Bill’s family and friends during their time of loss. We hope they find comfort in knowing what a difference he made in the lives of those in need. Bill will be truly missed.

The 20th Annual North End Soup Kitchen (NESK) Kid’s Camp will kick off Monday, June 29, in a new location at Holy Redeemer in Burton! Campers, ages 5 to 10 years, will practice reading and writing skills, participate in arts and crafts, science projects, health education and outdoor activities, as well as conflict resolution and substance use prevention education. Throughout the summer, campers will receive a nutritious breakfast and lunch, family food bags, as well as a backpack full of donated school supplies at camp graduation - all for free! Registration will be held June 22-26, at the Holy Redeemer school building from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. each day.

If you would like to support this program, or for more information, call our North End Soup Kitchen at 810-785-6911, or email givehope@ccsgc.org.

We congratulate our award winners from the 2015 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner held in April. A special thanks to these, and all of the wonderful volunteers who make our work possible!

Volunteer of the Year Award
Stephen & Linda Tesler
Hands of Hope Award
Sara Lee Bakery Outlet, Grand Blanc
Business of the Year Award
Edible Arrangements, Owned by Ed & Karen Marsh
Wings of Hope Award
Lincoln Park United Methodist Church, Flint
Golden Soup Bowl Award
Georgeann & Dan Ricketts
Tomorrow’s Hope Award
St. Pius X School, Flint
Special Recognition Award
U of M Social Work Department Faculty & Students
Faith in Action Award
Church of the Holy Family, Grand Blanc

Volunteers!

Volunteers of the Year, Stephen and Linda Tesler
Holy Family, Grand Blanc

Youth in Action Award
Elms, Seymour, Central, and Springville Elementary Schools, Flushing
Staff Volunteer Award
Krystal Manse

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Baked or Grilled Parmesan Garlic-Pepper Chicken

Good for the oven, but even better on the grill. Serve with rice, pasta, or potatoes.

**For Oven:**
Preheat oven to 350 degrees F, and lightly grease a large baking dish.

**For Grill:**
Spray a 3 ft. sheet of foil (large enough to make a foil pouch around the chicken).
Mix in a bowl, oil, garlic & butter.
Mix in a separate bowl, bread crumbs, Parmesan cheese, basil, and pepper.
Brush chicken breast with the oil/butter mixture and dip in the bread crumb mixture.
Arrange the coated chicken breast in the prepared baking dish (or foil for the grill). Add any remaining bread crumb mixture to the top of the chicken.
Bake for 30 minutes in the oven or grill for 15 minutes on each side. (Flip foil over once on the grill)

**Grilling Hints:**
Spray chicken with cooking spray on top before folding the foil over. Wrap the foil tightly around the chicken to help it brown and to keep in the moisture. Grill over the lowest flame, or lowest gas setting.

Optional:
Add sliced onions, green peppers, or mushrooms on top of the chicken before grilling, if desired.

**Ingredients:**
- 3 tablespoons olive oil
- 3 tablespoon melted butter
- 1 clove minced garlic
- 2 cups Italian bread crumbs
- 1 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon dried basil
- 1 tablespoon course black pepper
- 8 boneless, skinless chicken breasts

**For Grill**
Grease a large baking dish.

**For Oven:**
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**Electronics Funds Transfer**
Supporting your favorite Catholic Charities program just got easier. You can now make a monthly contribution using an electronic funds transfer (EFT)! Just fill out and detach the slip below and mail it in the envelope provided. We will schedule an automatic monthly gift payment with your financial institution, and will mail you an acknowledgment letter each month. All gifts are tax deductible. Save time and money, sign up today!

**Catholic Charities of Shiawassee and Genesee Counties**
Electronic Funds Transfer Authorization Form

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Please debit my gifts from: [ ] Checking Account [ ] Savings Account (check only one)
Financial Institution: ________________________________
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My monthly deduction: $_________ ____________

Authorization agreement: I authorize Catholic Charities of Shiawassee and Genesee Counties to charge my checking or savings account monthly in the amount of $_________ _____________. This authority is to remain in full force and effect for at least twelve (12) months, which constitutes a one year commitment. I understand I must notify Catholic Charities of Shiawassee and Genesee Counties if I wish to discontinue the automated payment service.

Signed: ___________________________ Date: ____/____/_______

All contributions are tax deductible. Thank you for your gift.

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**John Manse** has managed our meal programs for more than 20 years. Check out this genuine North End Soup Kitchen Recipe that you can try at home!
After what seemed like an endless winter, warmer weather is finally here! Many of you are getting ready for vacations, cookouts, graduation open houses, and reunions. However, for the people we serve each day, food to cook on the grill and family vacations are luxuries they simply can’t afford. As you relax and enjoy your summer, please don’t forget that we still need volunteers at our three Soup Kitchens and Community Closet, as well as food, clothing, toiletries and monetary donations. Our work to Provide Help and Create Hope continues through all seasons. Please use the enclosed envelope to help us change one life at a time.

Thank you for your continued support!

Vicky L. Schultz, President/CEO

Over the years, Catholic Outreach has provided for those most in need through rent and utility assistance, homeless programs, a personal needs and food pantry, as well as the St. Christopher Program, through which, transportation is provided to seriously ill children who require medical treatment in Detroit, Ann Arbor, and other locations across the state. More than 100 children were helped last year through this effort, which provides free services to families in need.

The programs of Catholic Outreach will now find a new home in a building named in her honor, the Sr. Claudia Burke Center for Hope. Formerly St. Michael Catholic School, the Center for Hope houses many services, including a soup kitchen, warming center, housing assistance, personal needs and food pantries, as well as mental health and substance use treatment. Sr. Claudia’s legacy of service to the poor will live on as Catholic Outreach and Catholic Charities unite to provide for those who need hope the most.

Hard economic times and funding cuts are forcing non-profits to be more resourceful, providing the opportunity to share overhead including space, staff, and supplies. In an effort to better serve those in need and to reduce duplication of services, Catholic Outreach will become a program of Catholic Charities beginning September, 2013. We appreciate the support of our volunteers and contributors as we make this transition.

Now is the time to consider how you will touch the lives of those who follow you. Discuss with your loved ones the possibility of leaving a gift to Catholic Charities in your will or living trust.

Your gift in any amount can make a significant difference in the lives of those who come after you. You choose how your bequest will be used by designating a program, or programs you would like to support.

We invite you to join our efforts to make a change in the lives of those in need. Our work of Providing Help and Creating Hope can be your legacy. For more information on how to make a will or living trust, talk with your financial advisor.

What is Your Legacy?

WANTED: A family to love. Call: 810-232-3418

Are You Raising a Relative’s Child?

Catholic Charities' Kinship Caregivers Program offers individual support, as well as workshop opportunities, for grandparents or other family members who are raising a relative’s child. This program is free to residents of Genesee County. Call our Prevention Department for more information about groups forming in your area.
**Fiscal Year 2013-2014**

**Resources and Support**

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**Community Services**

**North End, Center for Hope and South Flint Soup Kitchens**

- Hot meals: 123,172
- Sack Lunches: 44,280
- Warming Center Meals: 7,651

Total: 175,103

**Center for Hope Community Closet - Genesee**

- Number of Recipients: 51,653
- Toiletries Distributed: 93,894
- Clothes Distributed: 205,060
- Household Items Distributed: 139,692

**Community Closet and Food Pantry - Shiawassee**

- Number of Recipients: 1,863
- Toiletry Items Distributed: 3,759
- Food Bags: 1,186

**Center for Hope Warming Center**

(December - March)

- Number of Recipients: 11,883
- Volunteer Hours: 62,982

**Volunteers**

- Number of Volunteers: 17,664
- Volunteer Hours: 62,982

**Mr. Rogers Program**

- Hours of Service: 3,068
- Number of Recipients: 690

**Kinship Caregivers Program**

- Hours of Service: 1,570
- Number of Recipients: 1,064

**Have a Prayer Request?**

If you would like us to pray for you or your special intention at our Third Thursday Mass, email us! givehope@ccsgc.org
Catholic Charities' Center for Hope will provide a location for people to receive basic needs and essential human services. The coordination between partner agencies will provide a full range of programs including meals, food pantry, clothing, personal needs, household needs and furniture, substance use and/or mental health counseling, housing assistance, recreational activities, warming center (during the winter months), along with laundry and shower facilities. Delivery of these services will be coordinated and performed at no cost to community members in need.

Thanks to the generous support of many donors and friends, we have raised a total of $2.1 million for the Center for Hope! If you haven't had the opportunity to make a gift or pledge, take a moment right now to fill out the enclosed envelope. Join us today to Provide Help and Create Hope for those in need.

Glenda has battled with addiction for years. To feed her daily crack habit, she resorted to stealing. As a result, she has a criminal record that includes six felonies, and has sent her to prison four times. Since 2008, when she was released for the last time, Glenda has been receiving substance use and mental health treatment at Genesee Health Systems (GHS) in Flint, a future partner agency in the Center for Hope. She attends a day treatment program and has been completely clean for nearly three years. She is especially proud of the fact that she has been off methadone maintenance for more than 14 months.

This past winter, Glenda was staying with a friend until they were both evicted. She had already given all of her Social Security money to cover rent, and she quickly found herself with nowhere to go and no money to find a place of her own. Thankfully, an acquaintance brought her Catholic Charities' Center for Hope Warming Center. She arrived on January 12 and immediately started looking for help to find stable housing. Time after time, her past came back to haunt her when landlords refused her applications because of her criminal history. But, Glenda didn’t let that get her down for long.

“You have to want it,” Glenda advises those who find themselves in similar situations. “Stay persistent,” she adds. “Nobody is just going to give it to you. You have to work for it.”

Finally, with the help of Resource Genesee and GHS, Glenda was able to find a home. She received assistance with a deposit and first month’s rent, as well as household items from Catholic Charities’ Center for Hope Community Closet.

“I’ve been treated decent here,” says Glenda, about the Center for Hope Warming Center. “If I had to be homeless again, I’d come back to Catholic Charities; I would,” she added with a smile.

For additional information about the Center for Hope, or to make a contribution, call 810-232-9950 x228 or email givehope@ccsgc.org.
Have you ever thought about adopting, or opening your home to a child who needs a loving foster family?

Catholic Charities offers free informational meetings, where all your adoption and foster care questions can be answered by one of our adoption specialists. No pressure, just straightforward information. Call our Children’s Services Department for details, 810-232-3418.

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