

ST ALBERT THE GREAT CONFERENCE QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

July 01 -Sep 30, 2022

Vincentian Volunteers strive to:

- See the face of Christ in everyone we serve
- Be the good news of Jesus Christ to each person served
- Let every person we serve see Jesus in each of us



Rent, utility, and food cost increases have brought challenges in meeting our neighbor's needs in 2022. Our assistance expenditures have dramatically increased over the last two years. Often the average cost for a single rent or utility assistance to a neighbor has increased from one and a half to two times what it was two and a half years ago. More than ever, we depend on your contributions to meet these needs. Thanks to the generous contributions from many of you and the many hours our volunteers give, we have been able to cover this large expenditure. Please consider donating to our parish St. Vincent de Paul conference via the October 2nd parish envelope or through the WeShare at the parish website.

Every day of every week our conference members respond to the many calls we receive from neighbors in our parish boundary on the St. Albert's St. Vincent de Paul call line. These requests include assistance with food, emergency shelter, and various financial issues in areas such as rent, utilities, and furniture. Caring for these neighbors begins with a private conversation over the phone where our call takers try to learn the concerns and needs of the neighbor. While much of our assistance is intended to address short term issues, our ministry calls us to make a personal visit with the neighbor to try to work out a long-term solution to their situation. All activities are handled with complete confidentially. If someone you know needs assistance, please call the Rectory at 293-1191. Need is the only qualifying criterion.

CONFERENCE CORNER

You might be wondering how important your contribution to St. Vincent de Paul is to impacting the lives of our neighbors in need. The contributions provided by parishioners in the quarterly envelope collection as well as those from companies and other agencies are critical to our mission. YOU make all this possible THANK YOU! Please consider donating via the weekly collection** or using the parish Weshare system for payment.

In the last three months conference members volunteered 200 hours, answered over 100 calls, and made numerous home/other visits to assist more than 200 neighbors in need.

BY THE NUMBERS Jul 01-Sep 30, 2022

Category	Expenditure	(Approx %)	Households
Rents/Mortgages	4,000.00	(27)	80
Twinning*	0,000.00	(00)	00
Utility Electric	3,383.00	(23)	15
Water/Sanitary	2,255.00	(16)	09
Utility Gas	1,071.00	(07)	04
Food	712.00	(05)	23
Clothing/Furniture	888.00	(06)	07
Transportation	2,163.00	(15)	01
Misc./Other	124.00	(01)	01
2022 3 rd Qtr Expense	es \$14,596.00	0	68
Category		Income	
Parish Donation**		5,492.00	
SVdP District Council Donation		2,200.00	
From Individuals or Companies		1,300.00	
From Misc. Agencies		750.00	
2022 1st Qtr Income		9,742.00	

^{*}Twinning – Donations to neighboring conferences **Via parish donations to "St Albert St. Vincent de Paul Conference" including We Share & SVDP envelopes