

Annual Donor Report

2021-2022

“ Compassion allows you to see reality; ***compassion is like the lens of the heart:*** it allows us to take in and understand the true dimensions.

In the Gospels, Jesus is often moved by compassion. And compassion is also the language of God. ”

- POPE FRANCIS



Sisters of the Presentation
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

In Joyful Service

Dear Presentation Family,

Our Presentation Mission invites us to live out the Gospel values and work for justice. We are called to view the reality of our world around us where inequalities are prevalent and seen each and every day. These injustices call us to action, moving us to serve others, bringing compassion and love to all.

Our work allows us to witness the disparities of those who are hurting. We hear the stories and fears of those who are new to our country. We listen to the Earth, seeing the damage caused by years of neglect. We watch wars rage on across the world. We throw away excess foods, while others struggle to find a meal. These injustices necessitate change.

This Annual Report articulates how your prayerful and financial gifts have assisted those served through our Presentation Ministries. Together, we are striving for change. With you, we are able to extend mutual respect and support to those in need. We invite you to continue this legacy of service and prayerfully consider a stewardship gift to our Annual Appeal. Together, we can journey alongside those who are hurting, offering compassion and strengthening them in faith, hope and love.

May God's blessings be ever present and provide you with all you most need! You and your loved ones are in our prayers at Mass and Eucharistic Adoration. We invite you to send your prayer intentions to wepray4u@presentationsisters.org. Together, let us work and pray for peace and justice throughout the world.

In peace and mercy,

Sisters Mary, Vicky, Roxanne, and Pegge

Presentation Sisters Leadership Team



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Prayer, Mission and Charism



As an apostolic, vowed faith community, we share the mission of Jesus. Like the apostles, and in the spirit of our foundress Nano Nagle, we willingly go out to any part of the world to work for justice, alleviate oppression and promote human dignity, especially among the poor. We strive to incarnate the compassion and justice of Jesus, like Nano did, so that our neighbors, locally and globally, might live with hope. We proclaim the Good News with missionary zeal, in a spirit of love and joy.

Prayer is central to our ministry and faith lives. Our work for justice and compassion for the poor

is grounded in Jesus' life, as written in the Gospel. By grounding our service in prayer, we are filled with a spirit of compassion for those we serve.

Our prayer line ministry allows us to join together, praying for one another in a spirit of love and compassion.

We invite you to send us your prayer intentions so that we may include them in our daily prayers. You may send your intentions to the address on the back of this donor report, include them in the provided envelope, call 605-229-8331 or email wepray4u@presentationsisters.org. ♦



We pray for all of God's people to *find hope* and continue in faith and trust in times of need. Like Jesus, may we be *moved with compassion* for one another.

Thank You, Partners

We are grateful to the donors listed in this annual report, as well as the individuals who prefer to remain anonymous, for their partnership over the past year. The efforts of many coming together make it possible to do what none of us could do alone. It is through your prayerful and financial support that we are able to continue our work for justice and serve those most in need, cultivating hope for a brighter future.

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It is our intention that this report accurately reflects the names of our donors from June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022. We also remember in our prayers those whose names are marked with a cross (†) as they are our partners who are deceased.

We have established style guidelines to ensure consistency. If there is an error with your name, please let us know using the contact information listed on the back of this report.

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when I am
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and with
myself.

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 when I create
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 moments.*

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 in *any
 given
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 when I
*forgive
 myself
 and
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 when helping
 someone who
 was lost find
 their way by
*walking
 with them
 to the
 location.*

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I show
compassion
by *being*
curious and
not judgmental
of myself and
others.

I show compassion
by *being*
patient as an
elder struggled
to bring forth the
right change while
there was a line of
people waiting to
check out.

Leaving a Legacy

When you think of your legacy, what do you envision? Often the thought goes to leaving the world a little better than how we found it, more peaceful, more just, greener and a healthier, happier place for future generations.

As vowed women religious, we have dedicated our lives to work for justice, alleviate oppression and promote human dignity. The efforts of many coming together make it possible to do what none of us could do alone. We welcome company on this path and are grateful for your prayerful support and financial gifts that allow us to focus on the task at hand, promoting human dignity and Gospel Justice.

We invite you to continue this journey with us in whatever capacity works best for you. If you are interested in learning more about ways to leave your legacy, we would be happy to discuss options with you. Leaving a lasting legacy, of any amount, can be very simple and will contribute to our continued mission, a mission shared by our partners, for years to come.

For more information, please contact **Brooke Nicholson Grote** or **Jen Rothenbuehler** at **605.271.0468**.



Caminando Juntos

WALKING TOGETHER

Each member of our ministry team strives to show compassionate hospitality to individuals and families who contact our ministry. With over 17,000 annual contacts made, Kathy and Angelica go “one pace beyond” at the heart of our ministry. They assist with a variety of forms and applications, connecting clients with basic needs and social services, and orientating new arrivals to our community.

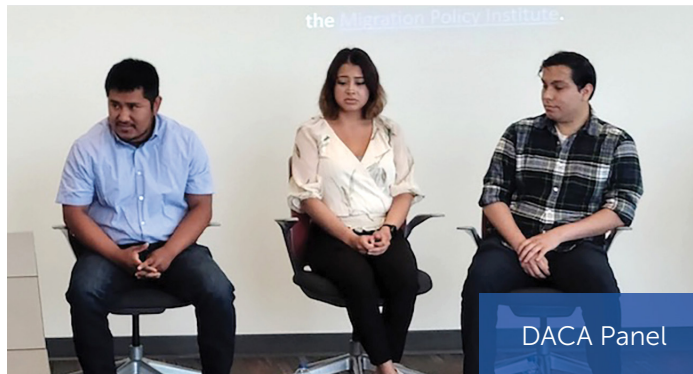
As a well-respected ministry within the community, Caminando Juntos works collaboratively with other organizations to promote programs, services, and resources that benefit immigrants and provide them with hope for their future. Through listening to the needs of those they serve, April imagined the Workplace English Program. Piloted at Showplace Cabinetry, this program for Spanish-speaking employees worked to close the language gap so that Spanish-speaking employees have access to the same opportunities for advancement as their peers, while gaining confidence and job precision.

In 2021 Sister Janet and Christy responded to nearly 3,000 immigration calls and consultation requests. This work includes a component of education and urgency around DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals). Many clients are part of this program which offers no clear path towards citizenship. In partnership with the National Immigration Forum,

and other community businesses, we helped sponsor an event where a panel of clients and DACA recipients talked about their lives and dreams for the future, their deep desires to work and contribute to our country, and the struggles they have in facing an uncertain future in the United States.

As the ministry grows with new opportunities for our Latino sisters and brothers, we are happy to introduce Matthew as our new Executive Director.

He began the first week of June and is quickly getting settled. We invite you to stop by and meet him. ●



Gifts to this ministry may assist with English language learner materials, scholarship assistance, immigration fee waivers or our crisis response fund.



Sister Janet Horstman | DOJ Accredited Representative
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Matthew Tschetter | Executive Director

CATHOLIC SCHOOL Scholarship

“Educating is an act of love; it is like giving life.”

- POPE FRANCIS

The teachings of Jesus remain the cornerstone of Catholic education. Our congregation was called in the late 1800s to teach in Dakota Territory.

This education ministry has been an integral part of our mission and ministry efforts since we opened our first school in Aberdeen in 1886.

As many of our sisters are former educators and school administrators, we believe in the faith formation of young people with Catholic education providing a solid foundation for their future. Developing and nurturing not only their knowledge and skills, but their compassion and a desire to serve others, is an investment in our future leaders. It is the beginning of lifelong formation in our Catholic faith.

Through the generosity of donors, we continue our legacy of support for Catholic education by providing scholarships for students who attend, or desire to

attend, a Catholic school in the Sioux Falls Catholic Diocese. A dedicated committee of sisters, priests, cojourners and associates, read and discuss each

application and essay regarding the value of Catholic education and how the scholarship would financially impact their family. For this school year, we received over 100 applications for scholarship assistance, showing that the need is still present in our communities. Since 2009, over 500 scholarships have been awarded in amounts from \$500 to \$1,500.

Our support of educational opportunities through scholarships, our sponsorship of Presentation

College, a vibrant internship program and the educational components of our ministries carries on our belief that education is the key to a just, merciful and compassionate world, now and in the future. ◆



Our First School - The Presentation Academy of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Gifts to this ministry will continue the legacy of Catholic education and continue the faith formation of our youth.



“I am very grateful for receiving your thoughtful gift. Because of your scholarship, my child will continue receiving a great education, while continuing to grow in faith for years to come!”

- PARENT

“Thank you for awarding me with a scholarship. This greatly helps my family and I am truly blessed to be going to an awesome Catholic School. This wouldn’t be possible without help from people like you.”

- STUDENT

Good Samaritan Ministry

FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN

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Life is uncertain. Difficult or unforeseen circumstances can happen at any time and to anyone; an illness, an addiction, a loss of one's job. One may find themselves struggling, unable to meet their most basic needs of food and shelter.

For over 50 years, the Good Samaritan Ministry has provided guidance and support to those who may need temporary assistance in getting back on their feet when they have come upon difficult times. It was established to help fill the gap in basic needs when our neighbors need help the most. It allows people to move to new beginnings.

Our collaboration with other non-profits throughout the years has allowed us to work together, showing our compassion and love to those struggling in our communities. Three years ago, our partnership with The Journey Home in Aberdeen expanded and they are now managing all calls for assistance. Each time someone is helped with a hand up, we are modeling that which Jesus taught us.

Assistance comes in different forms; it may be financial with support for rent or utilities, it may be helping someone get into mental or substance abuse treatment, it may be working alongside someone to find a job within their abilities, and it may be just listening.



Peggy made an appointment and came to The Journey Home as she had fallen behind on some bills. Her husband was ill, and she was his caretaker. She missed her first appointment, later explaining that her husband had passed away. Upon meeting with Peggy, she fell to tears, talking about the passing of her husband and complications with her children. We realized Peggy had not grieved. We listened to her memories of the past and her fears of the future. We worked with Peggy and helped her with her financial affairs; she would be OK. We invited her to attend our budgeting classes. She attended and continued working through her grief. Just being able to be with Peggy, listening to her and building a relationship with her was worth more than any amount we could have paid for her. ●

“The purpose of human life is to **serve**, and to **show compassion** and the will to help others.”

POPE FRANCIS



This ministry provides temporary assistance as we work alongside individuals and families to become self-sustaining. Gifts may assist with rent, utilities, medication, fuel, transportation or daycare.

“Those who are the happiest are those who **do the most for others.**”

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON

Integral Ecology

“What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us, to children who are now growing up?”

- POPE FRANCIS, LAUDATO SI 160

Since the inception of our Integral Ecology Ministry almost two years ago, our discernment is continuing to evolve on how the land at Presentation Heights can best serve the Presentation Mission and community into the future.

We live out our Chapter Call to “do nothing alone.” This call has led us into partnership with individuals and businesses, both locally and nationally, that are simultaneously doing ecological and socially focused work. We work in conjunction with them, learning new ways to move forward with our vision, bringing out more of the land’s natural beauty as a lasting gift to the Aberdeen community and region. We have planted a variety of different native vegetation, including warm season grasses and forbs as well as cool and saline tolerant grasses and forbs. We look forward as we continue to work the land, witnessing the growth and development of the plants, insects and small wildlife that it will attract.

As we continue to learn, we strive to bring educational opportunities to others, bringing a more widespread awareness to what we can do, as together we **“listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.”** (LS 49). In the last

year, we hosted a free seminar with Gabe Brown, regenerative rancher. Over 100 people connected to his message and we continue to learn about his best practices, recently having the opportunity to tour his North Dakota Ranch. As we continue to be curious in our learning and make connections, we invite you to watch our website for more information as we learn and grow together. 🍷



ABOVE Jared, Jamie, and Sister Janice toured the North Dakota ranch of regenerative farmer Gabe Brown.

BELOW We might not know what the seed bank is going to bring each year, but the anticipation and newness will always capture the native prairie and its beauty.

Gifts to this ministry may assist with educational opportunities with youth and adults as well as for the purchase of equipment or seeds as we continue to cultivate the land.



Jamie Risse
Integral Ecology Co-Director
Jared Hohn
Integral Ecology Co-Director



Justice is Our Work

"May the Lord free us from watering down the Gospel to make it neutral – it is never neutral, it does not leave things the way they are; it accepts no compromise with the thinking of this world, but instead lights the fire of the kingdom of God amid the reign of human power plays, evil, violence, corruption, injustice and marginalization. Ever since Jesus rose from the dead, and became the watershed of history, 'there began a great fight between life and death, between hope and despair, between being resigned to the worst and struggling for the best.'"

- POPE FRANCIS
HOMILY, JUNE 29, 2022



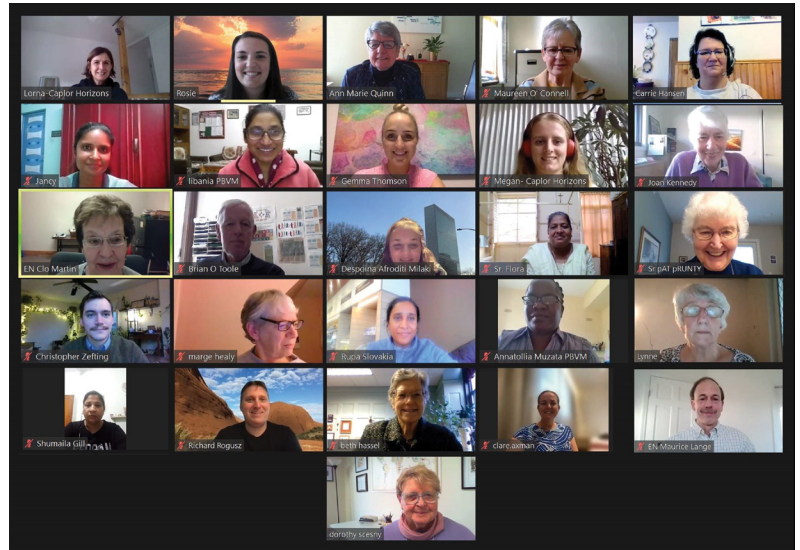
The justice efforts of our Presentation community are evidenced in a wide variety of actions: raising awareness of human trafficking and violence against women and children through billboards and social media, advocating for justice whenever we encounter injustice in our lives and working to educate the public on the many inequalities people experience. Partnerships are key in these efforts and we collaborate with other Presentation People locally and globally in our justice work.

One main connection is our collaboration with the International Presentation Association (IPA). This relationship is strengthened through our Justice Contact, Carrie Hansen. She connects regularly

Gifts to this ministry may assist with educational opportunities, awareness and advocacy.



Carrie Hansen
Justice Contact



IPA Justice Contacts meet virtually.

with Presentation Justice Contacts worldwide in their work on the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. IPA has chosen to focus on three of these areas: violence against women and children, advancing the rights of the Earth, and the treatment of indigenous peoples. Sub-groups were formed, allowing us to work more effectively on each of these three priority areas.

Our group's focus for this year has been on advancing the rights of the Earth. This work has been revolving around raising awareness of climate change and promoting energy conservation, along with monitoring consumption, and focusing on socially responsible investing.

We invite you to learn more about our work for justice and to consider whether your heart is calling you to share in these efforts.



Sustainability Assistance Program

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resentation Sisters have been ministering in African missions since 1949. Here, communities struggle daily for the necessities that many take for granted. Throughout the years, we have worked alongside the people, assisting in the development of several programs to provide sustainable careers and communities. These established programs are continuing to thrive and generating sufficient funds to help pay expenses and also assist the poor.

In listening to the needs of Sisters serving the poor in Zambia and Zimbabwe, we realized small scale funding was needed in a variety of areas to further enhance development in these countries. In response to this need, we have collaborated with others and implemented the African Sustainability Assistance Program.

Contributions to this program are brought together, allowing the unity of several gifts to make a larger impact. As Sisters witness insecurities, they work with those in need, assessing possible solutions. Funding through this program will provide financial support to assist with these new projects. Working

together, we strive to empower the people to become their own best resource and become self-sustaining.

Jonathan grew up in the orphanage operated by the Presentation Sisters in Kaoma, Zambia. After finishing high school, he entered medical school with donations made to the orphanage. However, in the last four years, money was not available so we used U.S. donor money so he could complete his studies. After graduating last December with nearly straight A's, he was unable to find employment in a hospital because the school, even to this date, has not issued diplomas. This is a common experience for students in Zambia. There is such a need for good doctors, yet everything moves slowly in Zambia. ●

Gifts to this ministry will assist with the funding of new and innovative programs for those in Zambia and Zimbabwe.



Sister Virginia McCall
Administrator

LEFT Scholarship assistance is essential in providing an education for many children.

RIGHT Women who participated in our Business Skills and Compost Making Workshops sell their harvest at Market.

Vocation Ministry



"People often ask if women are still being called to Religious Life, and the answer is YES!"

- SISTER VICKY LARSON
Vice President and Vocation Director

Vocational calls can lead one to marriage, single life, priesthood or religious life. It is no secret that religious life looks different today than it did even 30 years ago. Different, yet the same. The guiding principles of mission, charism and prayer continue. It is what grounds us as we listen to where God is calling us to serve with love and compassion.

Young women are still feeling that "nudge"; the thought that something is missing. In discerning their way, they may seek the advice of family or friends, talk to a member of the clergy or oftentimes they turn to social media in search of that deeper connection in life.

"God is calling women. Technology helps us support them as they listen."

- SISTER VICKY LARSON

Formation for those discerning religious life has also changed. Congregations today are providing inter-congregational online gatherings, offering young women from across North America the opportunity to connect with each other on a deeper, spiritual level. One way we do this is by collaborating with our Conference of Presentation Sisters Vocation contacts. We know that by working together we can offer more opportunities and reach more people to share the Presentation Mission and Charism with single women. In this past year, we hosted numerous online events leading women to deeper discernment. ■

To learn more about our vocation ministry events contact Jen Rothenbuehler or Sister Vicky Larson at 605-271-0468 or email vocations@presentationsisters.org.



One social media platform where a young woman may begin searching is the Vocation Network and Vision Vocation Match. These websites are many times the starting point for someone looking for a deeper connection in religious life and provide an overview of many different religious congregations.



Sister Vicky Larson
Vocation Director



Jen Rothenbuehler
Vocation Promoter

Dear Friends,

We reach out together in faith, a spirit of hospitality, compassion and simplicity to all of creation. As we listen to the cry of those made poor and the cry of the Earth, our Presentation Mission calls us to joyfully incarnate the compassion and justice of Jesus, as our Foundress Nano Nagle did, so that our neighbors locally and globally might live with hope.

Our mission guides our ministry and underlines our spirituality. Our focus on promoting justice and alleviating oppression helps to determine which of the many needs of God's people we might best be able to meet through our ministry efforts. This guidance is essential as our Presentation People minister to those in need all over the world.

As Christians, this is the work of all of us. Your partnership continues to be a very vital step in promoting Gospel Justice. The future is ever transforming and emerging. We share our gratitude with you, as we walk humbly together and work for a more just and loving world for those who come after us.

We love connecting with you! We invite you to reach out to us if you would like to discover more about the many opportunities for partnership, to learn more about one of our ministries or would just like to visit over a cup of coffee. Thank you for your compassion and commitment, as we carry the lantern together, to share the mission and charism with those we meet.



"The fruit of
love is service,
which is
compassion
in action."

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the world than to be in union."

— VENERABLE NANO NAGLE

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