

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul
Basilica of Our Lady Conference



Report for the Year 2023:

- Our Conference received over **\$50,000** from our parishioners through Sunday Collections, DEFT, and donations through Canada Helps.
- Our Conference does not receive funding from the Government or United Way
- Expenditures for the year were: (not including insurance, council dues, and administration costs)

Grocery Vouchers Issued	\$9,155
Clothing & Furniture Vouchers Issued	\$7,340
Vinnie's Table	\$11,350
Street Outreach	\$750
Housing Outreach	\$7,100
Twinning SVDP Conference, Tivoli, Grenada	\$2,025

Projects & Programs:

Client Assistance

Assisted over 150 adults and 50 children with grocery or clothing or furniture vouchers.

Vinnie's Table

Regular preparation of home-cooked meals and breakfast sandwiches, fruit & water from the Basilica's kitchen to the Stepping Stone Shelters.

Street Outreach

Delivered donated new warm spring coats to the Guelph-Wellington Women in Crisis Centre.
Prepared and delivered care packages to local social services agencies for distribution.

Housing Outreach

- a) Partnered with various local supportive housing outreach agencies to provide household items, clothing and food to persons transitioning from being homeless.
- b) **Grace Gardens - newly constructed permanent supportive housing units**
 - Purchased and delivered essentials to outfit the Grace Gardens common kitchen pantry.
 - Prepared and delivered 32 baskets of bathroom essentials for each of the newly constructed units.
- c) **Stepping Stone's - newly developed family shelters.**
 - Purchased kitchen essentials to the 3 newly developed family shelters which included; cutlery and utensils, pots/pans, dishes, kettles, toasters, mugs, and hot-plates.
 - Purchased and delivered 6 infant cribs/playpens.
 - Purchased and delivered 6 bunk bed sets. (A coordinated SVDP effort with Sacred Heart, St Joseph Guelph and St Joseph Fergus Conferences).

Twinning

Provided financial support to Sacred Heart SVDP Conference in Tivoli, Grenada.

The generosity of our parishioners has made it possible for our Conference to serve the needs of those less fortunate in our community.

THANK YOU!