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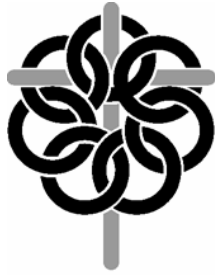
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This manual of resources was compiled by the staff of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Joliet. We hope that it provides you with direction as you help those in need in your community.

You can also access additional information about the programs and services at Catholic Charities in your area by visiting our website.

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Serving DuPage County

ADOPTION

Catholic Charities Adoption Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: Toll Free at 877-844-HOPE

Contact: Administrative Assistant

Fee: Private adoption fee is based on sliding scale.

DCFS conversion adoption offers a subsidy to adoptive parents.

Securing permanent homes for children who have suffered abuse and neglect, have special needs, older children and brothers and sisters who need to stay together. Adoption services for younger children are also available. Catholic Charities also does private adoptions of non-DCFS wards from other states and local children who are legally free to be adopted. International adoption home studies and post adoption work are provided in cooperation with various international adoption agencies. Adoption Search Services are available for persons seeking information on a previous Catholic Charities adoption.

BABY ITEMS

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Supervisor of Emergency Services

Fee: None

Providing diapers, sleepwear, undergarments, and other items if available. Vouchers and referrals to other agencies that can help are also available. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

BASIC NEEDS

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Supervisor of Emergency Services

Fee: None

Providing food vouchers, clothing and furniture vouchers, financial assistance for prescriptions, rent/mortgage, utility assistance and transportation assistance (distributed mainly for transportation to medical appointments). Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

Catholic Charities Holiday Outreach Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Community Resources Coordinator

Fee: None

This program provides holiday gifts and gift certificates for food to local families who are already clients of Catholic Charities. Each family is "sponsored" and completes a wish list of items they would like for Christmas. Donor families help meet those needs by making an outright cash or gift card donation or by providing new, warm winter outerwear for family members. The program runs from October 1st through the winter months.

CLOTHING

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Supervisor of Emergency Services

Fee: None

Providing clothing vouchers and referrals to other agencies that can help too. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

COUNSELING

Catholic Charities Counseling Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: **(800) 240-7011**

Contact: Intake Worker

Fee: Special accommodations are made to individuals and families who are struggling financially and who qualify for services at a reduced rate based on income. We also welcome most PPO insurance coverage and Medicare Part B. Catholic Charities programs sometime have funds available to pay for counseling for their clients (inquire with your Program Director or the Director of Counseling, if interested).

Our Counseling program provides a range of therapeutic services with the goal of preserving, strengthening and protecting the emotional wellbeing of the individuals, couples and families who we serve. We provide services to children, adolescents and adults who come from diverse racial, ethnic and spiritual backgrounds with counseling that is sensitive to cultural differences. Our staff reflects the cultural and ethnic diversity of the population we serve. Our staff is experienced in a variety of treatment modalities including marital, family and play therapy. Spirituality and the spiritual needs of the client are considered as an integral part of our counseling work.

The following services are available:

- *Individual Counseling*
- *Family Counseling*
- *Couples Counseling*
- *Children and Adolescent Counseling*

Counseling Groups offered include:

- **Anger Management** – offered in Joliet, but open to all. *Contact Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.*
- **L.O.S.S. – Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide** – support to those who have lost a loved one, relative or friend to suicide. For location and meeting times call *Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.*

EDUCATION

Catholic Charities Parenting Classes

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Fee: See Description

See Parenting for a description of classes offered year round.

Catholic Charities Out of Poverty Class

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Outreach Support Specialist

Fee: None

This program is only offered through Catholic Charities and is a unique program, similar to AA's 12 Step Program that addresses key issues for persons who feel imprisoned in poverty. Registrants in the program participate in 10 weekly sessions that help address goals, time and money for a prosperous future. Classes conclude with a graduation ceremony.

Catholic Charities Mentor Training

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Street, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Case Management Supervisor

Fee: None

Throughout the year, Catholic Charities sponsors a four session training course for persons interested in becoming volunteer mentors for families who were previously homeless and are now participating in Catholic Charities' Transitional Housing Programs in DuPage County. Mentors work directly with families, supporting them and helping them meet daily challenges. Volunteer mentors should be compassionate, non-judgmental, respectful and sensitive to the confidentiality required in order to preserve the dignity of the family. In addition to Mentor Training, Follow up Mentor Training sessions are provided to volunteer mentors in between the scheduled Mentor Training Sessions. Family Life Skills training is provided during the Spring and Fall. Emphasis is placed on Financial Literacy, Parenting, Nutrition, Conflict Resolution, & Participant Testimonials.

FOOD/MEALS

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Supervisor of Emergency Services

Fee: None

Providing food vouchers and referrals to other agencies that can help too. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

FOSTER CARE

Catholic Charities Foster Care Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: Toll Free at 877-844-HOPE

Contact: Administrative Assistant

Fee: None

Catholic Charities is always looking for foster parents for children who have been abused, neglected or suffered from a family crisis. We provide training and monitoring of foster parents and the children in their care. Catholic Charities also provides extraordinary support for our foster parents.

If you suspect child abuse, please call 1-800-25-ABUSE.

FURNITURE

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Supervisor of Emergency Services

Fee: None

Catholic Charities will provide vouchers to St. Vincent DePaul for furniture.

HOUSING

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Supervisor of Emergency Services

Fee: None

Providing vouchers for rent and mortgage assistance. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

Catholic Charities Transitional Housing Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Case Management Supervisor

Fee: No fee, but clients pay 30% of income toward rent.

Providing housing, supportive services and structured programming to homeless families while they work toward securing permanent housing and a quality of life that supports their needs

Catholic Charities Permanent Supportive Housing

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Case Management Supervisor

Fee: No fee, but clients pay 30% of income toward rent.

Providing housing and supportive services for homeless families with children in which one or more family members experiences mental illness, substance abuse or emotional/behavioral impairments that limit their ability to live independently. Families live in scattered site apartments throughout DuPage County. Services provided include independent living skills, access to vocational skills training, behavioral health services and case management.

Catholic Charities SHIFT Program (Supportive Housing Initiative for Families in Transition)

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Case Management Supervisor

Fee: No fee, but clients pay 30% of income toward rent.

Providing housing and supportive services for homeless families with multiple and complex needs that often include mental illness, substance abuse or emotional/behavioral impairments that limit their ability to live independently.

PARENTING

Catholic Charities Parenting Classes

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008 or call the facilitator directly at 630-710-8226

Fee: See Description

There are several different 2-hour classes offered for parents each week on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 -9:00 P.M. The cost per 2-hour session is \$20 per person; \$25 per couple.

In addition, any one of these workshops can be presented in a variety of formats and time-spans for your organization at your location. Please contact us to discuss how we can best meet your needs for parenting instruction that will make a positive and real difference in the lives of you and your children.

The following workshops are offered on a rotating basis. Please call Catholic Charities for a current schedule of this month's classes.

Effective Choices, Effective Parenting: Building Effective Relationships with Our Children For parents of children ages 0-19

This two-hour workshop helps parents build on their existing strengths in order to win greater cooperation with their children. Topics discussed include: increasing mutual respect, positive communication and trust in the parent/child relationship; understanding how parent's behavior affects child's response; developing disciplinary techniques that work; providing children with the tools they need to survive and thrive in today's society.

Effective Choices, Effective Parenting: Building Effective Relationships with Our Young Children For parents of children ages 0-4

This two-hour workshop assists parents of infants and toddlers in gaining a better understanding of their children's needs and behavior as they grow. In addition, it presents the well-researched and successful "Systematic Training for Effective Parenting Method" that enables parents to increase positive interaction with their children.

Effective Choices, Effective Parenting:
Building Effective Relationships with Our School Aged Children
For parents of children ages 5 - 12

This two-hour workshop helps parents build on their existing strengths in order to win greater cooperation with their elementary aged children. In addition, it assists them in providing their children with the tools they need to survive and thrive in today's society.

Effective Choices, Effective Parenting:
Building Effective Relationships with Our Teens
For parents of children ages 13 - 19

This two-hour workshop teaches participants practical, usable skills and insights on how to parent effectively during the challenging teen years.

Effective Choices, Effective Parenting:
Building Effective Relationships with the Difficult Child

This two-hour workshop strengthens parent's skills to interact effectively with children who are suspected to have symptoms of ADD or who have been diagnosed with ADD or ADHD.

PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE/COUNSELING

Catholic Charities Maternity Services Program

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 815-532-2034 pager (24 hour emergency assistance available)
815-723-3053

Toll free, non-emergency assistance - 877-844-HOPE

Contact: Assistant Director of Children's Services

Fee: None

Helping women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy with counseling, medical, educational and financial planning, emergency assistance and alternative living arrangements.

PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Supervisor of Emergency Services

Fee: None

Providing financial assistance for prescriptions. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

RENT/MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Supervisor of Emergency Services

Fee: None

Providing rent and mortgage assistance. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Catholic Charities Back to School Fair

Location: DuPage County Fairgrounds, Wheaton, IL

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: BTSF Coordinator

Each year in August Catholic Charities holds a Back to School Fair for low-income families living in DuPage County.

SHELTERS/EMERGENCY HOUSING

Catholic Charities Hope House

Location: Unlisted

Service Area: Homeless in DuPage County

Phone: 24-hour assistance at 800-941-8681

Contact: Residential Crisis Counselor

In DuPage County, Hope House serves as the 24-hour hotline for emergency housing assistance. Providing 24-hour year round shelter to individuals and families who are situationally homeless often due to job loss, divorce or depleted savings. During the stay, participants are empowered to regain self-sufficiency, secure employment and permanent housing. The shelter also provides food vouchers, clothing and furniture vouchers, prescription assistance, rent assistance, and transportation assistance.

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 26 West St. Charles Road, Lombard, IL 60148

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 630-495-8008

Contact: Supervisor of Emergency Services

Fee: None

Providing basic needs support and referral to homeless shelters and other homeless service providers. Financial assistance based on limited funds and availability.

SUICIDE SURVIVORS SUPPORT GROUP

Catholic Charities L.O.S.S. Program- Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide

Office Location: St. Daniel the Prophet Parish, 101 West Loop Drive, Room 107, Wheaton, IL 60187

Service Area: DuPage County

Phone: 800-240-7011

Contact: Intake Worker

Fee: None

Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (L.O.S.S.) provides support to those who have lost a loved one, relative or friend to suicide. Groups meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month, from 7-9 p.m.

SUPPORT GROUPS/COUNSELING

Catholic Charities Support Groups

- **Anger Management** – offered in Joliet, but open to all. *Contact Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.*
- **L.O.S.S. – Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide** – See Suicide Survivors Support Group description. *Contact Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.*
- **See Parenting for information on Parenting Classes/Groups**



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**Serving Will, Grundy and
Kendall Counties**

ADOPTION

Catholic Charities Adoption Program

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: Toll free at 877-844-HOPE

Contact: Administrative Assistant

Fee: Private adoption fee based on sliding scale

DCFS conversion adoption offers a subsidy to adoptive parents

Securing permanent homes for children who have suffered abuse and neglect, have special needs, older children and brothers and sisters who need to stay together. Adoption services for younger children are also available. Catholic Charities also does private adoptions of non-DCFS wards from other states and local children who are legally free to be adopted. International adoption home studies and post adoption work are provided in cooperation with various international adoption agencies. Adoption search services are available for persons seeking information on a previous Catholic Charities adoption.

BABY ITEMS

Catholic Charities Daybreak Center

Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 611 East Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing items if available, vouchers and referrals to other agencies that can help too. Assistance based on assessed need, limited funds and availability.

BASIC NEEDS

Catholic Charities Daybreak Center Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 611 East Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service area: Will, Kendall, Grundy Counties

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing food vouchers, clothing and furniture vouchers, financial assistance for prescriptions, rent/mortgage assistance and transportation assistance available as needs are assessed. Assistance based on assessed need, limited funds and availability.

CHILD CARE

Catholic Charities Early Childhood Services Division

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will County

Phone: 815-723-3405

Contact: Manager of Family and Community Partnerships or Assistant Director

Program provides Early Head Start/Head Start/childcare for children age birth to five years old.

Families enrolling must provide proof of age and income eligibility.

Services offered to families at seven center locations.

Alexandria Early Childhood Center, Bethlehem Lutheran Head Start, Bluff Street Head Start, Broadway Head Start, Felman Early Childhood Center, Good Shepherd Head Start and St. John's Head Start Center.

Accepting applications year round.

Questions – Call (815) 724-1148 (English)

Preguntas – Llame el (815) 724-1149 (Spanish)

CLOTHING

Catholic Charities Daybreak Center Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 611 East Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

*Providing clothing vouchers and referrals to other agencies that can help too.
Assistance based on assessed need, limited funds and availability.*

COUNSELING

Catholic Charities Counseling Program

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: (800) 240-7011

Contact: Intake Worker

Fee: Special accommodations are made to individuals and families who are struggling financially and who qualify for services at a reduced rate based on income. We also welcome most PPO insurance coverage and Medicare Part B. Catholic Charities programs sometime have funds available to pay for counseling for their clients.

Our Counseling program provides a range of therapeutic services with the goal of preserving, strengthening and protecting the emotional wellbeing of the individuals, couples and families who we serve. We provide services to children, adolescents and adults who come from diverse racial, ethnic and spiritual backgrounds with counseling that is sensitive to cultural differences. Our staff reflects the cultural and ethnic diversity of the population we serves. Our staff is experienced in a variety of treatment modalities including marital, family and play therapy. Spirituality and the spiritual needs of the client are considered as an integral part of our counseling work.

The following services are available:

- *Individual Counseling*
- *Family Counseling*
- *Couples Counseling*
- *Child and Adolescent Counseling*

Counseling Groups offered include:

- **Anger Management** – offered in Joliet, but open to all. *Contact Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.*

- **L.O.S.S. – Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide** – provides support to those who have lost a loved one, relative or friend to suicide. Offered in Joliet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, 130 N. Woodlawn, Room A-1, Joliet, from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. Contact Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.

EDUCATION

Catholic Charities Early Childhood Services Division

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

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Alexandria Early Childhood Center, Bethlehem Lutheran Head Start, Bluff Street Head Start, Broadway Head Start, Felman Early Childhood Center, Good Shepherd Head Start and St. John's Head Start Center.

A Home Base option is also available for children 6 weeks to three years of age.

Accepting applications year round.

Questions – Call (815) 724-1148 (English)

Preguntas – Llame el (815) 724-1149 (Spanish)

Catholic Charities Out of Poverty Group

Office Location: 611 E. Cass Street

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Contact: Assistant Director of Community Services

Phone: 815-774-4663

Fee: None

This program is only offered through Catholic Charities and is a unique program, similar to AA's 12 Step Program that addresses key issues for persons who feel imprisoned in poverty. Registrants in the program participate in 3-4 weekly classes and celebrate with a graduation ceremony.

FOOD/MEALS

Catholic Charities Daybreak Center Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 611 East Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing food vouchers and referrals to other agencies that can help too. Assistance based on assessed need, limited funds and availability.

Catholic Charities Shepherd's Table

Office Location: 611 East Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432 (within Daybreak Center)

Service Area: All

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Fee: None

Free meal seven days a week from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

FOSTER CARE

Catholic Charities Foster Care Program

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: Toll Free at 877-844-HOPE

Contact: Administrative Assistant

Fee: none

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FURNITURE

Catholic Charities Daybreak Center

Office Location: 611 East Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Catholic Charities will provide vouchers to our Resource Exchange and St. Vincent DePaul for furniture as assessed by need.

HOUSING

Catholic Charities Daybreak Center

Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 611 East Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties.

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing vouchers for rent and mortgage assistance. Assistance based on assessed need, limited funds and availability.

Catholic Charities Daybreak Transitional Housing Program for Single Women and Children

Office Location: 611 E. Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: All

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Contact: Community Services Supervisor

Fee: \$100 deposit required, no subsequent fees for housing

Providing housing, supportive services and structured programming to homeless families while they work toward securing permanent housing and a quality of life that supports their needs.

PARENTING

Catholic Charities Parenting Classes

Office Location: Various locations

Service Area: Will, Grundy, DuPage

Phone: 800-240-7011

Fee: See Description

There are several different 2-hour classes offered for parents each week on Tuesday evenings from 7:00 -9:00 P.M. The cost per 2-hour session is \$20 per person; \$25 per couple.

In addition, any one of these workshops can be presented in a variety of formats and time-spans for your organization at your location. Please contact us to discuss how we can best meet your needs for parenting instruction that will make a positive and real difference in the lives of you and your children.

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Catholic Charities Counseling Program

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: 815-723-3405

Contact: Intake Worker

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See Counseling for more information

PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE/COUNSELING

Catholic Charities Maternity Services Program

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties.

Phone: 815-532-2034 pager (24 hour emergency assistance available)

815-723-3053

Toll free, non-emergency assistance - 877-844-HOPE

Contact: Assistant Director of Children's Services

Fee: None

Helping women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy with counseling, medical, educational and financial planning, emergency assistance and alternative living arrangements.

Catholic Charities Expectant Mother's Program

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will County

Phone: 815-723-3405

Contact: Manager of Health and Nutrition

Fee: none

Providing support services to low-income pregnant women throughout their pregnancy ensuring that they follow through with medical appointments, sign-up for WIC, have enough food for themselves and their family, etc. The program also promotes breast feeding, prenatal and postnatal care. One of the goals of the program is for each mother to enroll her child in the Home Base or Center Base option of the Early Head Start program in Will County.

PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE

Catholic Charities Daybreak Center

Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 611 East Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing financial assistance for prescriptions. Assistance based on assessed need, limited funds and availability.

RENT/MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE

Catholic Charities Daybreak Center

Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 611 East Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing rent and mortgage assistance. Assistance based on assessed need, limited funds and availability. Client must also meet criteria to be eligible.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Catholic Charities Back to School Fair

Service Area: Will County

Location: University of St. Francis, Joliet

Phone: 815-774-4663

Contact: Community Services Supervisor

Annually in August, Catholic Charities holds a Back to School Fair for low-income families living in Will County. The Fair is a one-stop shop of free health and human services that include physical exams, immunizations, dental exams, vision screenings and an array of local program services. Each child also receives free school supplies.

SENIOR PROGRAMS

Catholic Charities Retired and Senior Volunteer Program

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy and Kendall Counties

Phone: 815-723-3405

Contact: Director of Retired and Senior Volunteer Program

Fee: None

Helping people age 55 and older find volunteer opportunities in their community by matching their personal experience and interests.

Catholic Charities Senior Companion Program

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will County

Phone: 815-723-3405

Contact: Director of Senior Companion Program

Fee: None

Offering adults, age 60 and over, the opportunity to support their homebound peers through home visits. Eligible Senior Companions earn a modest tax-free stipend and generally volunteer up to 20 hours per week.

Foster Grandparent Program

Office Location: 203 N. Ottawa Street , Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will County

Phone: 815-723-3405

Contact: Director of Foster Grandparent Program

Fee: None

Offering adults, age 60 and older, an opportunity to work with children with special needs in schools, preschools and daycare centers. Foster grandparents earn a modest tax-free stipend and generally work about 20 hours per week.

SHELTERS/EMERGENCY HOUSING

Catholic Charities Daybreak Center (Shelter for homeless individuals and families)

Location: 611 East Cass Street, Joliet, IL 60432

Service Area: Will, Grundy, Kendall, Ford, Kankakee & Iroquois Counties.

Individuals coming from other areas will receive three nights to find alternate housing arrangements.

Phone: 815-774-HOME (4663)

Contact: Case Manager On-Call

Fee: None

Program provides 24-hour shelter, 365 days a year, for individuals and families. Other services for shelter residents include: case management services and linkage with other services, educational assessments, on-site childcare for parents while in classes at the Center, job training and placement services, health assessments, counseling and support groups, access to on-site HELP food pantry and other basic needs.

SUICIDE SURVIVORS SUPPORT GROUP

Catholic Charities L.O.S.S. Program- Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide

Office Location: This group is offered in 3 counties please call for closest location to you.

Phone: (800) 240-7011

Contact: Intake Worker

Fee: None

Provides support to those who have lost a loved one, relative or friend to suicide. Offered in Joliet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at St. Paul the Apostle Parish, 130 N. Woodlawn, Room A-1, Joliet, from 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.

SUPPORT GROUPS/COUNSELING

Catholic Charities Support/Educational Groups

- **Anger Management** – offered in Joliet, Lombard, Kankakee and Morris offices. Court referrals welcome. Contact Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.
- **L.O.S.S. – Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide** – See *Suicide Survivors Support Group* for information. Contact Central Intake at (800) 240-7011
- **See Parenting for information on Parenting Classes/Groups**
- **Catholic Charities Out of Poverty Group** - *This program is only offered through Catholic Charities and is a unique program, similar to AA's 12 Step Program that addresses key issues for persons who feel imprisoned in poverty. Registrants in the program participate in 3-4 weekly classes and celebrate with a graduation ceremony. Offered at Daybreak Center, 611 E. Cass Street, Joliet. No fee. For more information, contact Housing Services Supervisor at 815-774-4663.*



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ADOPTION

Catholic Charities Adoption Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: Toll Free at 877-844-HOPE

Contact: Administrative Assistant

Fee: Private adoption fee based on sliding scale

DCFS conversion adoption offers a subsidy to adoptive parents

Securing permanent homes for children who have suffered abuse and neglect, have special needs, older children and brothers and sisters who need to stay together. Adoption services for younger children are also available. Catholic Charities also does private adoptions of non-DCFS wards from other states and local children who are legally free to be adopted. International adoption home studies and post adoption work are provided in cooperation with various international adoption agencies. Adoption search services available for persons seeking information on a previous Catholic Charities adoption.

ADULT DAY CARE

Catholic Charities

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Senior Information and Assistance Specialist

Fee: None to sliding scale (private pay services available)

Catholic Charities is designated by the Illinois Department on Aging as the Case Coordination Unit for Kankakee and operates the Community Care Program Services for seniors. Adult Day Care is one of the service options of the Community Care Program.

BABY ITEMS

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee, Ford and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing vouchers and referrals to other agencies that can help too. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

BASIC NEEDS

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee, Ford and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing food and travel vouchers, clothing and furniture vouchers, financial assistance for prescriptions and rent/mortgage assistance. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

BUDGETING/MONEY MANAGEMENT

Catholic Charities Money Management Program for Seniors

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Program Coordinator or Senior Information and Assistance Specialist

Fee: None or private pay option for those exceeding income/asset guidelines

Program offers money management services such as help reading bills, writing out checks and balancing the checkbook to low-income older persons who have difficulty budgeting, paying routine bills and keeping track of financial matters.

Catholic Charities Senior Case Management Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Senior Information and Assistance Specialist

Fee: None to Sliding Scale (private pay services available)

Program offers frail, older adults and their families assistance as they assess the need for care and coordinate an overall plan of service to maximize the senior's independence in the home. Areas examined include medical care and supervision; personal care assistance; home maintenance; emergency response systems, financial needs and living arrangements.

Catholic Charities IL Cares RX Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Senior Information and Assistance Specialist

Fee: None

Offering assistance applying for Illinois and Federal pharmaceutical assistance programs. Program options provide financial assistance for medications, reduced fee license plates and property tax rebates to seniors. Annual income determines eligibility. Application fee may be required by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

CAREGIVER PROGRAMMING

Catholic Charities Caregiver Programs

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Senior Information and Assistance Specialist

Fee: None

Offering assessment and referral for family and other caregivers of older adults. Programs include:

- *Annual special educational programming for persons assisting older family members or friends. Workshops provide information about local resources as well as ways to help the caregiver maintain balance in their own life.*

- *Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Workshops.*
- *Respite funds are available to provide caregivers a break and peace of mind.*
- *Numerous resources including reading material (books) and videos on care giving topics are available for review during business hours.*
- *Limited materials available for grandparents raising grandchildren.*
- *Appointments requested to view materials.*
- *Support group available.*

CLOTHING

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee, Ford and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing clothing vouchers and referrals to other agencies that can help too. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

COUNSELING

Catholic Charities Counseling Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Phone: (800) 240-7011

Contact: Intake Worker

Fee: Special accommodations are made to individuals and families who are struggling financially and who qualify for services at a reduced rate based on income. We also welcome most PPO insurance coverage and Medicare Part B. Catholic Charities programs sometime have funds available to pay for counseling for their clients (inquire with your Program Director or the Director of Counseling, if interested).

Our Counseling program provides a range of therapeutic services with the goal of preserving, strengthening and protecting the emotional wellbeing of the individuals, couples and families who we serve. We provide services to children, adolescents and adults who come from diverse racial, ethnic and spiritual backgrounds with counseling that is sensitive to cultural differences. Our staff reflects the cultural and ethnic diversity of the population we serve. Our staff is experienced in a variety of treatment modalities including marital, family and play therapy. Spirituality and the spiritual needs of the client are considered as an integral part of our counseling work.

The following services are available:

- *Individual Counseling*
- *Family Counseling*
- *Couples Counseling*
- *Children and Adolescent Counseling*
- *Specialized Group Counseling*

Counseling Groups offered include:

- **Anger Management** – offered in Joliet, but open to all. *Contact Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.*
- **L.O.S.S. – Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide** – support to those who have lost a loved one, relative or friend to suicide. Group meets in the Joliet area. *Contact: Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.*

EDUCATION

Catholic Charities Caregiver Programs

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Senior Information and Assistance Specialist

Fee: None

See Caregiver Programming Section.

ELDER ABUSE AND NEGLECT

Catholic Charities Elder Abuse and Neglect Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Supervisor of Protective Services

Fee: None

To report suspected abuse or neglect of a senior, call IL. Dept. on Aging's Elder Abuse & Neglect Hotline (24-hr. hotline) at 1-866-800-1409 or for Kankakee County, call 815-933-7791, Mon. - Fri., 8:30 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. The TYY number is 1-800-544-5304.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Catholic Charities Senior Case Management

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Information & Assistance Specialist

Fee: None

Providing financial assistance for minor home renovations to improve home safety and accessibility such as ramps, insect infestation, plumbing repairs or stair railings. Licensed and insured contractors must be used. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

FOOD/MEALS

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee, Ford and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing food vouchers and referrals to other agencies that can help too. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

Home Delivered Meals Program

Catholic Charities Senior Case Management Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Senior Information and Assistance Specialist

Fee: Donation

Providing daily nutritionally balanced home delivered meals to seniors. Weekly deliveries of frozen meals may also be available in some areas.

FOSTER CARE

Catholic Charities Foster Care Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: Toll Free at 877-844-HOPE

Contact: Administrative Assistant

Fee: None

Catholic Charities is always looking for foster parents for children who have been abused, neglected or suffered from a family crisis. We provide training and monitoring of foster parents and the children in their care. Catholic Charities also provides extraordinary support for our foster parents.

If you suspect child abuse, please call 1-800-25-ABUSE.

HISPANIC MINISTRY

Hispanic Ministry Office (located at Catholic Charities)

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee, Ford and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Hispanic Services Coordinator

Fee: None

Providing community information and workshops, community advocacy with service providers, links to Catholic Charities Emergency Services Programs, referrals to other agencies and raising community awareness of Hispanic community needs. Se Habla Espanol, se lee tambien.

HOMEMAKER SERVICES

Catholic Charities

(Designated IL Department on Aging Case Coordination Unit)

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Senior Information and Assistance Specialist

Fee: None to Sliding Scale (private pay services available)

Homemakers help older persons maintain their independence by performing/assisting in client's personal care tasks such as dressing, bathing and grooming. They also assist with environmental tasks such as meal preparation, light housekeeping, transportation, errands and shopping.

HOUSING

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee, Ford and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing vouchers for rent and mortgage assistance. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

Catholic Charities Transitional Housing Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing housing (in apartments and homes), supportive services and structured programming to homeless families while they work toward securing permanent housing and a quality of life that supports their needs.

PARENTING

Catholic Charities Counseling Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee, Ford and Iroquois Counties

Phone: (800) 240-7011

Contact: Intake Worker

Fee: Special accommodations are made to individuals and families who are struggling financially and who qualify for services at a reduced rate based on income. We also welcome most PPO insurance coverage and Medicare Part B.

See Counseling for more information.

PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE/COUNSELING

Catholic Charities Maternity Services Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-532-2034 pager (24 hour emergency assistance available)
815-723-3053

Toll free, non-emergency assistance - 877-844-HOPE

Contact: Assistant Director of Children's Services

Fee: None

Helping women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy with counseling, medical, educational and financial planning, emergency assistance and alternative living arrangements.

PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee, Ford and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing financial assistance for prescriptions. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

Catholic Charities IL Cares RX Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Senior Information and Assistance Specialist

Fee: None

Offering assistance applying for Illinois and federal pharmaceutical assistance program. Program options provide financial assistance for medications, reduced fee license plates and property tax rebates to seniors. Annual income determines eligibility. Application fee may be required by the Illinois Department of Revenue.

RENT/MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee, Ford and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing financial assistance for rent and or mortgages. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Catholic Charities Back to School Fair Kankakee County

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Case Manager

Fee: None

Annually in August, Catholic Charities holds a Back to School Fair for low-income families living in Kankakee where school age children can receive free school supplies and their parents can access information about community programs. Eligibility is determined with local schools. For more information call the Catholic Charities office at 933-7791.

SENIOR VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

Catholic Charities Money Management Program for Seniors

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Program Coordinator or Senior Information and Assistance Specialist
Fee: None or private pay option for those exceeding income/asset guidelines

Program offers money management services such as help reading bills, writing out checks and balancing the checkbook to low-income older persons who have difficulty budgeting, paying routine bills and keeping track of financial matters.

Catholic Charities Retired and Senior Volunteer Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791 (voice mail) or 815-723-3405

Contact: Director of Retired and Senior Volunteer Program

Fee: None

Helping people age 55 and older find volunteer opportunities in their community by matching their personal experience and interests.

Catholic Charities Senior Companion Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Director of Senior Companion Program

Fee: None

Offering adults, age 60 and over, the opportunity to support their homebound peers through home visits. Senior Companions earn a modest tax-free stipend and generally volunteer up to 20 hours per week.

Catholic Charities Senior Advocate Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee County

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact:

Fee: None

Provides volunteer opportunities assisting several senior service programs in Kankakee County. Volunteers may assist with completion of IL Cares RX and Medicare D Extra Help applications, Money Management Program clients or act as program aides for senior case managers.

SHELTERS/EMERGENCY HOUSING

Catholic Charities Emergency Services/Homelessness Prevention Program

Office Location: 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901

Service Area: Kankakee, Ford and Iroquois Counties

Phone: 815-933-7791

Contact: Emergency Services Case Manager

Fee: None

Providing vouchers for shelter and referral to other homeless shelters. Assistance based on limited funds and availability.

SUICIDE SURVIVORS SUPPORT GROUP

Catholic Charities L.O.S.S. Program- Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide

Meeting Location: Joliet area

Phone: (800) 240-7011

Contact: Intake Worker

Fee: None

Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (L.O.S.S.) supports to those who have lost a loved one, relative or friend to suicide. Groups meets regularly in Joliet area.

SUPPORT GROUPS/COUNSELING

Counseling Groups offered include:

- **Anger Management** – offered in Joliet, but open to all. *Contact Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.*
- **L.O.S.S. – Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide** – *See Suicide Survivors Support Group for information. Contact: Central Intake at (800) 240-7011.*
- **Caregiver Support Group** - offered at Kankakee office , 270 N. Schuyler Avenue, Kankakee, IL 60901. *Contact: Senior Information & Assistance Specialist at 815-933-7791.*