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An Independent Catholic Charities Will Continue to Serve Those Most in Need Regardless of Archdiocesan Bankruptcy

A statement from Catholic Charities President and CEO Tim Marx:

Every day at Catholic Charities, we work hard to serve those most in need in our community and to tell the story of the lives we change. We also celebrate this strong and vital organization, which has been built by thousands of supporters and stakeholders over the course of 145 years. It is this strength and vitality that is allowing us to build a public/private partnership to advance a transformational new vision for the Dorothy Day Center in St. Paul.

The Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis has now filed for bankruptcy. This has caused some of our supporters and stakeholders to reach out with questions, both theirs and those of their friends and colleagues. We want to assure you—and allow you to assure others – that all resources provided to Catholic Charities are used solely and exclusively by us to advance our mission to serve those most in need in our community, regardless of their faith, background or circumstance.

Catholic Charities is an independent organization from the Archdiocese. The Archdiocese does not control or have access to any resources of Catholic Charities. With the continued support of our friends and stakeholders, we anticipate that the Archdiocesan bankruptcy will have no impact on Catholic Charities.

Your support brings the mission of Catholic Charities to life, providing hope and opportunity to those most in need. We will continue to serve this community with dedication and passion as we have for 145 years.

Sincerely,

Tim Marx

President and CEO

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Frequently Asked Questions

Below are some common questions we receive from partners and supporters in the community and our responses:

What is the relationship between Catholic Charities and the Archdiocese?

Catholic Charities is a fully independent nonprofit organization, separate from the Archdiocese. The Archdiocese does not control Catholic Charities or any of its assets. Catholic Charities is governed by an independent, self-sustaining Board of Directors consisting of civic, faith, community and business leaders. The Vicar-General of the Archdiocese is an ex-officio member of the Board. The Archbishop is an ex-officio, non-voting member.

Does the Archdiocese have access or control over donations or other resources provided to Catholic Charities?

No. All donations and resources provided to Catholic Charities -- 100% -- are used to advance our mission to meet the needs of the poor and vulnerable in our community regardless of their faith, background or personal circumstance.

Is the Archdiocesan bankruptcy causing any challenges for Catholic Charities?

Those who know Catholic Charities well understand our independent structure, our mission and know that our resources are only used to serve those most in need. The challenge we sometimes have is making sure these facts are widely known. We are working hard to get this message out so that donations and other support provided to us are not affected. Your ideas and help in this effort are welcome and appreciated.

Can I help advance the mission of Catholic Charities?

Yes, we need your help to reach out into our community to tell the story of the lives we save and improve each day. Your support of Catholic Charities – through generous financial contributions, community partnerships, volunteerism and advocacy – sends a message to our most vulnerable neighbors that they matter. Your support changes lives!

Where can I get additional information about Catholic Charities?

Please visit our website at cctwincities.org. You can access financial reports, ratings from third party reviewers, and recent news about Catholic Charities demonstrating our community support, impact, independence and commitment to transparency, including any relevant developments regarding the Archdiocesan bankruptcy. If you would like additional information, to schedule a tour of one of our program sites or arrange a presentation to your work, civic or faith group, please contact Jessie Sorensen, Senior Vice President of Advancement and Public Engagement, at Jessie.Sorensen@cctwincities.org or 612-204-8431.