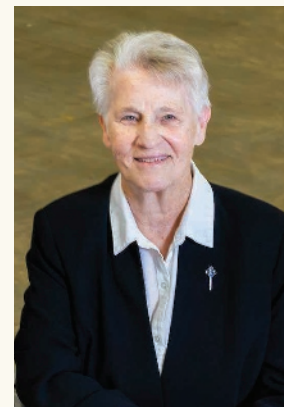


MESSAGE FROM OUR CEO



When we christened this newsletter *Faith in the Future* in conjunction with the kickoff of our Centennial this past January, I was confident that its association with Catholic Charities' mission of empathy and putting people first would remain as impactful as its previous moniker, *Notes from the Heart*.

Notes from the Heart always held significance to me. The heart is not only an emblematic part of our brand, but it also invokes the true spirit of our agency and the

power of your generosity.

I believe that same spirit crosses all boundaries and names. I also believe your altruism has been instrumental in the success of the **Archbishop Hannan Community Appeal**, our annual, volunteer-driven fundraising campaign, which supports the work of Catholic Charities. This year, I'm particularly grateful for the leadership of our 2024 Chair, Trey Reymond.

As president and CEO for the past 11 years, I've been reaching out to you, encouraging you to continue supporting Archbishop Philip M. Hannan's legacy of service to the poor in our community. And each year, I'm taken aback by your benevolence. Last year, you answered the call and helped us exceed our

\$1.75 million goal for the campaign. Over \$20 million dollars has been raised since I joined Catholic Charities in 2013!

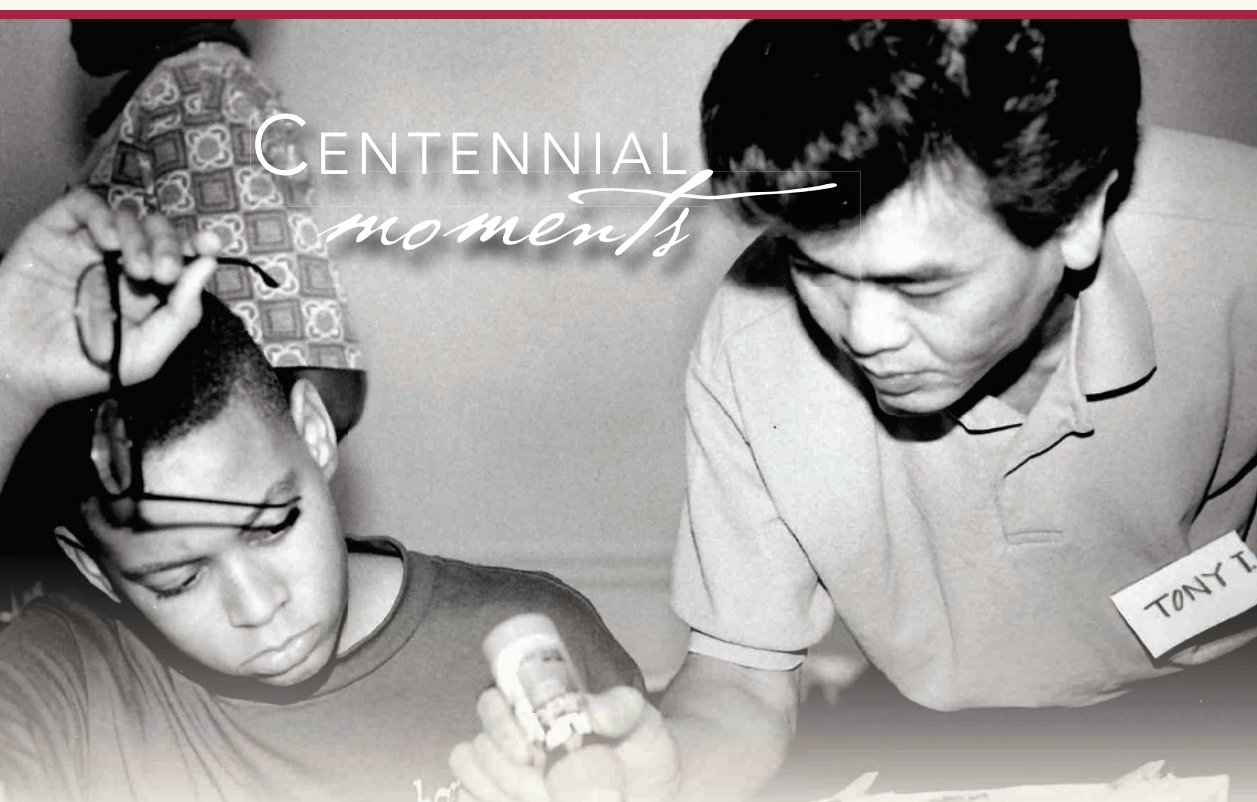
In this issue you can read about AHCA supporters and Legacy Society members Lloyd and Jan Tate, whose perennial faith and foresight for our agency should serve as inspiration for years to come. They join a remarkable class of men and women who we have highlighted throughout the year, people who have been walking alongside Catholic Charities and its commitment to meeting the needs of our neighbors throughout its nearly two dozen programs.

As some of you are aware, I am preparing to retire in December, just as Catholic Charities concludes its Centennial. It's heartening to know that I was able to lead this agency through this historic celebration while preparing it for its next Century of Service.

I am also forever grateful knowing that your generosity is infinite and will sustain Catholic Charities' future for helping people seeking light beyond the darkness.

God Bless,

Sister Marjorie Hebert, M.S.C.
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President & CEO



In this image from 1996, Tony Tran, a member of the Catholic Charities' Refugee Resettlement team, helps 12-year-old Ronald Richardson with a T-shirt he painted. The Office of Immigration and Refugee Services at Catholic Charities partnered with St. Bonaventure and Assumption of Mary churches to begin a tutoring program to bring children from different backgrounds together. The program expanded into a day camp for the children, which included arts and crafts.

Photo courtesy of the Archdiocese of New Orleans Office of Archives and Records.



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Each year, Catholic Charities raises funds through the Archbishop Hannan Community Appeal (AHCA). This annual campaign continues Archbishop Hannan's legacy of service to the poor in our community by raising crucial, undesignated funds which support all of our life-giving programs. Help us reach this year's goal of \$1.75 million by donating today!

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Couple Answer Call to Put Faith in Action

As a high school senior preparing for the priesthood at Saint Joseph Seminary College in Covington, Lloyd Tate realized the Lord was calling him to serve in some way, but not as a priest. Although his life was starting to take a different path than anticipated, it was in no way the end of his vocation. It was just the beginning of a life dedicated to the spiritual, temporal and pastoral needs of people who often need it the most.

A strong champion of the Corporal Works of Mercy, guidelines in the teachings of Jesus that respond to the basic needs of humanity, Lloyd and his wife of 52 years, Jan, have strived to always put their faith into action in every part of their lives.

Aligned with the mission of Catholic Charities to lend a hand to those most in need, Lloyd and Jan have made arrangements to include Catholic Charities in their estate. As members of Catholic Charities' planned giving initiative, the **Legacy Society**, the couple is raising the bar for serving as good stewards for the voiceless in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. They are indeed laying the groundwork for Catholic Charities' next *Century of Service*.

Lloyd and Jan have both been active in the Church since they first met. Over the decades, they have helped prepare engaged couples for marriage and trained other couples like themselves in this ministry. They authored a resource manual to mentor engaged couples that is used extensively in the Archdiocese as well as in other dioceses around the country. They are also trained Spiritual Directors serving on the staff of the Archdiocesan Spirituality Center, a ministry providing ongoing spiritual direction to clergy, religious and laity of the Archdiocese.



Lloyd's retirement as managing partner with CPA firm Deloitte and Touche seemed like anything but. For his own edification, Lloyd enrolled in courses at Notre Dame Seminary to deepen his understanding of Scripture. He took to it so much he ended up earning a master's in theology in 2012.

"My faith kind of animates everything. And certainly, my faith has deepened over my lifetime, which has included raising a family of five children and having a rewarding career. So, it's gotten more genuine and heartfelt. I really think you can't embrace faith the way we read in Scripture just from saying 'it's me and you Jesus in our personal relationship.' It has to reach out to others as an expression of love. I have grown to see the timeless wisdom in Jesus' teaching that the two great commandments are love of God and love of neighbor," Lloyd said.

Around the same time he retired, Lloyd was also seeking to be more involved and give back. He would join the board of Catholic Charities, a position he held in some capacity for 13 years, including eight years as an officer. His time on the board was instrumental in deepening his admiration for the organization, leading to the realization that he and Jan could do so much more for the agency.

"I've been very blessed. Anything I can do to help the poor. It lifts up the people who have very limited needs. If you're looking to help change people's lives, I don't think you can do better than Catholic Charities. They do it with love, compassion and efficiency," Lloyd said.

Photo of Lloyd and Jan Tate courtesy of the Clarion Herald.

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St. Francis Xavier Catholic School Middle School Students Start Collection for Pregnancy Services

We are thrilled to recognize the Young Vincentians at St. Francis Xavier Catholic School for their amazing initiative! They have started a collection of diapers and wipes for the Pregnancy Services program at Catholic Charities, showing incredible empathy and generosity. The students shared details about the drive with Sr. Judy Gomila, M.S.C., during her recent presentation about the work of Catholic Charities.

The St. Vincent de Paul Junior Society began as service activities done by the 8th grade students but has now expanded to include all middle school students at the school, creating a wonderful opportunity for them to experience different works of service in their community. We are so proud of these young individuals for their dedication to serving others and making a positive impact in the world! Thank you to everyone involved in this meaningful project.



Members of the Young Vincentians at St. Francis Xavier with their moderator Rob Adoue.

PACE Celebrates National Senior Citizens Day

What a blast we had celebrating National Senior Citizens Day on August 21st at both locations of PACE Greater New Orleans! Pizza, bingo, stand-up comedy by Pat McCool, and live music from Johnny Justice kept our residents smiling all day long. Huge shoutout to our incredible staff and volunteers from Seasoned Saints for making it a day to remember!

PACE (Program of All-Inclusive care for the Elderly in the Greater New Orleans area) promotes the health, independence and dignity of senior citizens by enabling them to live in their homes and in the community as long as medically and socially feasible. Visit pacegno.org for more information.



Adeline Armstrong



Bobby Robinson



Betty Dorion, Johnny Justice, and Lucinda Jackson



Seasoned Saints include Willie Thomas, Joanne Jordan, J.P. Thomas, and Dr. Julia Taylor, chaplain



Kathleen Barrows



Comedian Pat McCool

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