Directing Our Mission

Daughters of Charity Spotlight—Sister Consuelo Tovar

Sister Consuelo is the Director of Mission Integration at Daughters of Charity Services of San Antonio. She promotes the mission of DCSSA with community collaborators and partners. Her passion: to make a difference in the lives of families living in poverty.

Question: Tell me about some of the ways you bring the DCSSA mission to the community who are unaware of what we do.

Adopt-A-Senior for Christmas

Daughters of Charity Services’ Adopt-a-Senior for Christmas program helps many senior citizens who are isolated and living alone.

Under the Adopt a Senior program, a sponsor may assist a single senior or a couple with presents, a food basket and hygiene products. 300 senior citizens need adopting this year.

If you would like to help us provide a special Christmas to these seniors, please complete the attached form.

For more information, call (210) 334-2300.

ADOPT-A-SENIOR FOR CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

☐ YES, I want to shop for a senior. Please send me more information

☐ YES, I’d like to donate a $25 H-E-B gift card for a senior

☐ YES I’d like to sponsor a senior. Enclosed is my contribution of:
  ☐ $25  ☐ $50  ☐ $100  ☐ $200  ☐ Other_____

Name______________________________
Address______________________________
City/State/Zip_________________________
Phone_______________________________
Email_______________________________

Mail to: Adopt-A-Senior
Daughters of Charity Services of San Antonio
7607 Somerset Road—San Antonio, TX 78211
Or Scan and Email to adufilho@dcssa.org
MISSION STATEMENT

Faithful to the Vincentian tradition, the Daughters of Charity Services of San Antonio will establish and maintain neighborhood-based programs to increase accessibility to primary health care and human services on the part of the poor. These programs will have a strong holistic orientation and consider participation and empowerment as an integral dimension of the service delivery. While services will be rendered with preferential option for the poor, it is not to the exclusion of others.

SERVICE LOCATIONS

Main Phone Number: (210) 334-2300
DePaul Family Center
7607 Somerset Road
San Antonio, TX 78211
DePaul Children’s Center
3050 Golden Avenue
San Antonio, TX 78211
DePaul-Wesley Children’s Center
1418 Fitch
San Antonio, TX 78211
El Carmen Wellness Center
18555-1 Leal Road
San Antonio, TX 78221
La Misión Family Health Care
19780 South US Hwy 281
San Antonio, TX 78221
Navigating the Affordable Care Act

Open enrollment for the Affordable Care Act’s Health Insurance Marketplace is happening now. Beginning November 1st, the Daughters of Charity Navigator team will assist consumers who seek to enroll in a plan for calendar year 2017. The team, funded by a grant from the federal government, serves Bexar, Atascosa, Karnes, Wilson and DeWitt counties.

The Affordable Care Act enables people who do not have access to an insurance plan through their employers to shop for a policy from a menu of plans offered by private insurance companies. The healthcare reform law has many important features but one of the most notable is that people with pre-existing health conditions such as diabetes or cancer cannot be denied coverage and their premiums are the same as those who are healthy. People with low to moderate incomes receive subsidies to pay most or a sizable portion of the monthly premium. Copayments for qualifying individuals and families with lower incomes are reduced substantially.

Last year 1.2 million Texans enrolled in Marketplace plans with 68% of those paying less than $100 per month for their insurance premiums. All Navigator assistance is free. Those seeking help can call 210-334-2335 or toll free 1-844-293-2335 for an appointment. Navigators are available at most of the libraries in the area as well as at the DePaul Family Center and La Misión Family Health Care, operated by the Daughters of Charity Services of San Antonio.

Feeling Cool About Back-to-School

The Adopt-A-Child for Back to School Program celebrated its 21st year providing for South side families. “After more than two decades, I continue to be amazed at the abundance of generosity within the San Antonio Community,” declares Adele Dufilho, Lead Volunteer of the Adopt-A-Child Program.

For the last 21 years, our numbers have grown to meet the needs of almost 10,000 children total. This year alone, the members of the St. Vincent de Paul community sponsored 300 students, ensuring each child could walk into the new school year with confidence.

“It isn’t just supplies our families need,” Adele explains. “It’s underwear; it’s socks, it’s shoes and clothes. For our families, a new pair of shoes may not be feasible, so we hope to help them worry a little less.” While many organizations focus on pencils, calculators, or notebooks, Daughters of Charity Services understands the complete picture.

Through the immense generosity of the San Antonio community and our partners, Adopt-A-Child exceeded its goal of assisting 600 children.

With 21 successful years behind us, we look forward to continuing our mission for many years to come.

For more information about this program, contact Adele Dufilho at adufilho@dcssa.org
CORPORATE AND FOUNDATION GIFTS
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Birdies for Charity
Corporate Action for Care of the Elderly (C.A.C.E.)
Elizabeth Sullivan Clem Trust
Faye L. and William L. Cowden Charitable Foundation
Kilpatrick Memorial Trust
Kronkosky Charitable Foundation
Marietta K. Randall Foundation
Mission and Ministry, Inc. — Ministry of the Daughters of Charity Province of St. Louise
Harvey E. Najim Family Foundation
Sendero Wealth Management
Tesoro Foundation
Valero Energy Foundation