STRENGTHENING OUR NETWORK OF CHARITY

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES
SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL™

2021 ANNUAL REPORT
We are a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need.

With almost 90,000 members in more than 4,300 parishes across the United States, we believe that no work of charity is foreign to the Society.

We don’t have a one-size-fits-all approach to serving others; instead, we create and nurture relationships with those we serve.

Our vocation is to follow Christ through service to people in need and bear witness to His love.

The beauty of that vocation is that we see the face of Christ in those we serve. We go in pairs to visit the homes of those who call for help, allowing us to share in their humanity, bringing hope and friendship to situations that might have previously felt hopeless.

By the Numbers

1,584,771 Total Visits
4,206,853 People Served
$1,574,106,839 Total Value of Vincentian Services

*Does not include National Council subsidiaries

"Do all in a spirit of gentleness and love."

– St. Louise de Marillac

273,107 HOME VISITS
5,085 PRISON VISITS
5,131 HOSPITAL VISITS
33,419 ELDERCARE VISITS
1,268,029 OTHER VISITS*

*Pandemic safety restrictions made in-person visits to prisons and hospitals challenging this year, so Vincentians pivoted to visiting neighbors in need at food pantries, parish offices, special works locations, gas stations, restaurants, and even over the phone or via Zoom.
COVID-19 protocols hampered traditional Vincentian services during the 2020 – 2021 fiscal year. But at nearly 200 years old, the Society was able to survive the pandemic when other organizations did not.

Overwhelming generosity from our donors combined with Vincentian creativity, love, and faith, allowed us to reimagine our service model and restrengthen our network of charity.

In the words of St. Vincent de Paul, “Love is inventive, even to infinity.” As the challenges faced by those we serve continue to evolve, so do the person-to-person Vincentian services that are our hallmark.
We Are the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Founded in Paris in 1833, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a worldwide network of 800,000 lay Catholics worldwide who are inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need.

Vincentians are men and women of every age, every race, every income level, who share our blessings of time, talent, and treasure with neighbors in need. No work of charity is foreign to the Society. From our thrift stores and food pantries, to disaster recovery and prison reentry, to advocacy and systemic change, we serve our communities however they need it most. Like the Good Samaritan, we’re ready to help anyone regardless of religion, age, or background.

The National Council of the United States, Society of St. Vincent de Paul was established to organize and represent local SVdP Conferences and Councils across the country. Today, with nearly 90,000 members, SVdP USA provides resources, training, and spiritual development for Vincentians throughout 4,385 local Conferences and 500 Councils.

Our subsidiaries include SVdP Disaster Services Corporation, Society of St. Vincent de Paul National Stores, and Society of St. Vincent de Paul National Foundation.