

**2021 Annual Report  
Society of St. Vincent de Paul  
Holy Spirit Parish Conference**

**Serving the Catholic Community of the Holy Spirit**

Many thanks to the parishioners of the Catholic Community of the Holy Spirit for your generous donations of food, special collection, money in the poor box, and other donations. These have enabled us to help the less fortunate within our parish boundaries in Gloucester and Salem Counties.

Your generous donations included:

- \$35,700 worth of food in our bins at the parish centers and for Thanksgiving boxes
- \$19,400 in cash, checks, and gift cards

This allowed us to:

- Distribute the donated food directly to 722 people and 113 bags to Disciples Pantry in Woodstown for their distribution throughout the year.
- Purchase and distribute \$5,300 of perishable food, including Thanksgiving boxes and IHN
- We also purchased paper products, soap, detergent, as well as health & beauty items. These have become quite expensive and are not covered by food stamps.
- Pay \$18,900 in utility bills, medicine, rent, and car repairs

Our members did this by:

- Making 264 personal visits either in people's homes or at the parish center.
- As the pandemic continued, we spent hours on the phone meeting and helping clients when visits were not viable.
- Spending 503 hours in service to others.
- Traveling 1,400 miles

We were also able to assist other St. Vincent de Paul Conferences (St. Charles Borromeo and St. Thomas More) with donations totaling \$900 to help them with cases that were too large to handle by themselves.

This year has again been very challenging to carry out our mission, but we have persisted with your help. There is still a great need going forward, but with your amazing generosity, we work to stem the unfulfilled need in our midst. If you would like to help us help others, please come and see us at 7:00 pm on the first Wednesday of every month. The blessings you receive in service to others are too numerous to count.

Thank you again for your tremendous generosity.

**The Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul**