

# Society of Saint Vincent de Paul - Grand Rapids Diocese

## **2023** Annual Report to Bishop Walkowiak

#### **Highlights**

- 48 Vincentians made 460 in-person visits helping 1,170 people
- Disbursed \$88,000 in financial assistance primarily for housing/eviction prevention
- Established St. Patrick of Portland conference
- Closed thrift store, sold building and transferred employees to Mel Trotter Ministries
- Extinguished liabilities

#### 2024 Initiative

• Conference growth via coordinated diocesan communications and parish visits

The Society council began in 1919 after forming four conferences within the city parishes. By 1959, 12 more conferences were formed in Grand Rapids, along with several others in Muskegon, Grandville, Hastings, Petoskey, Cheboygan, and Traverse City. At its peak, the diocese had 38 Conferences.

Conferences	President	# of Vincentians	
St. Anthony	Thomas Gole	19	
St. Patrick of Portland	Todd Davlin	16	
St. Adalbert	Brian Van Haren	8	
Immaculate Heart of Mary	Carl Rinke	5	

Additional Council Members: Mark Fairgrieve, President

James White, Treasurer & Past President

Jon Nunn, Member-at-Large

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# **2023 Consolidated Conference Service Report**

Home visits are a unique and important part of the spirituality and ministry of St. Vincent de Paul. The act of a personal home visit is a blessing both to our friends in need and the Vincentians who serve them.

Visit Type	# of Visits	# of People Helped
Home	226	807
In-Person	123	252
Eldercare	104	104
Hospital	6	6
Total	459	1,169

### **Financial Assistance**

Total	\$ 87,834
Other	<u>21,958</u>
Housing Related	\$ 65 <i>,</i> 876

### **Receipts**

Total	\$ 96,568
Special events/other	<u>24,437</u>
Church Collections	\$ 72,131

Vincentian Service Hours 3,456

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