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ANNUAL REPORT
2024-2025



MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

At St. Vincent de Paul CARES, our work remains focused on creating pathways to stability and housing for individuals and families across the communities we serve. Throughout the year, our teams responded to growing needs with compassion, urgency, and dedication.

As economic pressures and severe weather continued to impact our region, we expanded our reach and delivered support at unprecedented levels across all programs.

Our success with our clients has reduced the homeless population in Pinellas and Hillsborough counties to its lowest level in decades. However, the need for shelter and supportive services remains.

New properties, Rosalie Rendu Manor and Frederic Ozanam Manor in Port Charlotte, are at 93% occupancy. Hillsborough CARE Center and Vincentian Village in Pinellas are under construction and opening this year.

This progress reflects the collective effort of partners, supporters, and leaders who stand behind our mission as SVdP CARES continues working toward a future where every individual has a safe and stable place to call home.

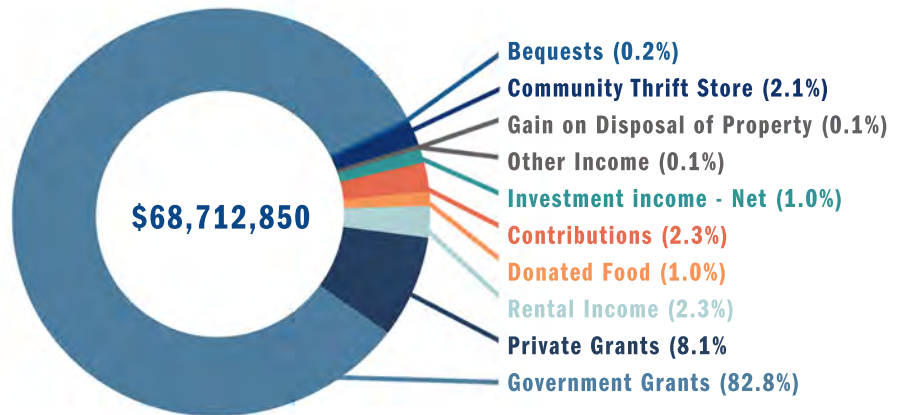
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ACCOMPLISHMENTS

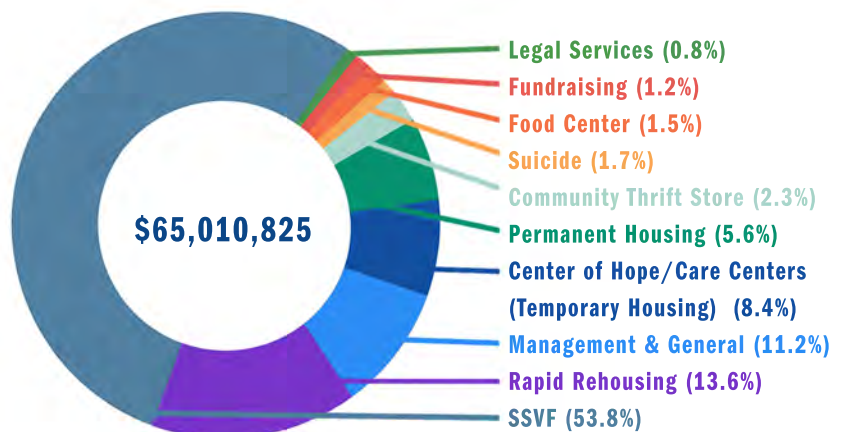
- Vincentian Legal Services served over 600 clients across 21 counties, with a 75% success rate
- Total of 226 housing units are currently under development
- Awarded \$4.5M in Hillsborough to rehabilitate substandard housing units into a state-of-the-art veterans shelter
- SVdP CARES successfully completed its Council on Accreditation (COA) review with high commendations and earned another four-year accreditation
- CaseWorthy was fully implemented, significantly improving staff workflows and documentation accuracy
- Adoption of a new strategic plan to drive long-term impact
- Opened Heroes Village in Sarasota, expanding services to the region
- Broke ground on Ozanam Phase IV in New Port Richey

2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR IN REVIEW

Total Revenue:



Total Expense:





RAPID REHOUSING

79% Positive housing outcome (since 2013)

- 6,448 Individuals Served
- 3,724 Households Served
- 4,602 Veterans
- 2,801 Veterans
- 1,846 Non-Veterans
- 923 Non-Veterans

PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Hillsborough County

- Eco Oaks Apartments
- 2 Individual homes
- Total units: 20

Pasco County

- Ozanam Villages I, II, & III
- Rosalie Rendu Residences
- Ozanam Village IV
- Total units: 137

Charlotte County

- Vincentian Villas I & II
- 32 units in development

Sarasota

- Heroes' Village (Veteran housing)
- Total units: 20

St. Petersburg

- Vincentian Village Groundbreaking
- Total units: 78

COMMUNITY THRIFT STORES

St. Vincent de Paul CARES operates two thrift stores to support our mission. The Community Thrift Store (St. Petersburg) and Fabulous Finds (Port Charlotte) are integral components of our success.

Revenue generated from our thrift operations directly funds homeless services. Through this support, vouchers are issued to provide essential household items, clothing, furniture and other basic needs for individuals transitioning into housing through SVDP CARES programs.

The Community Thrift Store and Fabulous Finds reinvested \$33,215 in furniture and clothing back into the community. These essential items were provided at no cost to individuals in need who walked through the thrift store doors.

- 839 Vouchers provided
- 5,183 Volunteer hours
- \$2,160,814 total sales

ENDING HOMELESSNESS

SVdP CARES is committed to ensuring that individuals and families experiencing homelessness have access to safe, stable, and affordable housing. The organization quickly moves people into housing, (often within 30 days) without imposing traditional barriers such as employment status, credit or criminal history, health challenges, or personal beliefs.

From there, SVdP CARES provides ongoing support and connection to services that promote long-term housing stability. We recognize that permanent housing is the critical first step toward lasting independence.

FOOD CENTER

Provides nourishing meals, 365 days a year, to all who are hungry and homeless. The pantries offer vouchers for food boxes.



St. Petersburg
120,000 meals served



Charlotte County
43,166 meals served



1,440 individuals assisted with food boxes



55,730 individuals assisted with food boxes

SHELTER SERVICES

The point of entry for homelessness services, open year-round, that includes a shower program, storage lockers, and job opportunity/benefit counseling.

COH/CARE Center
St. Petersburg

Charlotte CARE Center
Charlotte

Numbers served

33 Families
314 Veterans
323 Non-Veteran individuals

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22 Families
112 Veterans
157 Non-Veteran individuals

Transition into housing

68% for families
24% for non-Veteran individuals
73% for Veterans

Transition into housing

83% for families and non-Veteran individuals into housing

Transition from street to shelter

53% for Veterans into shelter

Transition from street to shelter

69% for Veterans into shelter

SAFER EMERGENCY HOUSING ALTERNATIVE

Transforms homeless "sheltering" from a noun (building) to a verb (action). SEHA uses local hotels and apartments to bridge the "gap" for families and Veterans on the path to permanence.



1,423 Veterans
508 Non-Veterans



59% transitioned
to permanent housing



**Commitment
Advocacy
Respect
Empowerment
Spirituality**

“I am incredibly grateful for the support I received through the SSVF program. Katie was always personable and encouraging, and she helped me work through challenges I never thought I would overcome.

Thanks to the resources I am now connected to, I am thriving, feeling hopeful again, and truly looking forward to what’s ahead.”

**Ernest Friedeck
War Veteran | SSVF program**

From our SVdP CARES family to yours, we extend our deepest thanks to our donors, partners, and community champions whose support drives real, lasting change and creates pathways out of homelessness.



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