



**The work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a hand up
...not a hand out.**

The Mission Statement of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul states: "Vincentians witness God's love by embracing all works of charity and justice...the Society makes no distinction in those served because, in them, Vincentians see the face of Christ."

In the last fiscal year, from October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011, our 140 volunteers conducted over 543 home visits, helped almost 1500 adults and children with rents, mortgages, utility bills, auto insurance and other bills totaling \$147,000. We delivered or gave out food to 5200 adults and children at a value of over \$300,000. We provided Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets and gift cards to help clothe over 450 adults and children. We traveled over 35,000 miles and volunteered over 14,000 hours in fulfilling our mission of charity. The total value of all goods and services was over \$450,000 as detailed below:

Car & travel expenses	\$4,777
Food (estimated value)	\$312,968
Food & gift card purchases	\$25,836
Mortgage & rent payments	\$59,191
Utilities	\$48,568
Clothing (estimated value)	\$6,505
Insurance (auto)	\$3,970
Other expenditures	\$ 804

None of this would have been possible without your generous hearts and help. Whether you provided bags of food, food certificates, or monetary donations to St. Vincent's, donated your time and talents to help with Christmas gifting, or given us your turkey certificates from the grocer, those gifts show your love for your neighbor who is hungry, homeless, or suffering. If you did any of these, you also are a Vincentian and can see the face of Christ in the people you have helped.

We thank you for going the extra mile, for helping us face these challenges. Without you we would be unable to serve the needs of vulnerable people in the community. Rest assured that we regularly pray for you, our benefactors!